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2. Calling Roll of Officers.
3. Report of Committee on Credentials.
4. Calling Roll of Members.
5. Reports of Officers.
6. Appointment of Committee on Reports of Officers, and such other Committees as may be necessary.
7. Reception and Reference of Communications.
8. Reports of Committees.
9. Miscellaneous Business.
10. Election of Officers and Delegates to National Encampment.
11. Installation of Officers.

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No report.

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Alternates, B. F. Anderson, J. W. Herron, Henry Graves, J. H. Cun-
nett.

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Post Commander, B. F. Heiny.

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Post Commander, A. H. Boze.

Past Post Commanders, G. D. Gray, Z. M. Atterberry, P. B. Dotson,
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Representative, H. O. Owen. Alternate, Wm. Hole.

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Post Commander, *J. H. Lloyd.

Past Post Commanders, *H. L. Tillotson, *H. Mitchell, S. S. Big-
low, *J. T. Birdseye, *G. W. McLain, *Chas. G. Burton, *Jas M. Mon-
roe, *D. W. Graves, D. C. Knoderer.

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Alternates, D. L. Ambrose, W. B. Leach.

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No Report.

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Post Commander, A. E. Lee.

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Post Commander, R. F. Motley.

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Representative, *S. M. Whitaker. Alternate, W. H. Lang.

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No report.

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Post Commander, M. Bell. No report.

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Post Commander, Simon Grove.

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W. P. Griffin.

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Post Commander, C. W. Garrett.

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Representative, W. F. Kinney. Alternate, W. B. Guthrie.

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Post Commander, Jas. McCampbell.

Past Post Commanders, J. T. Tomlin, Jas. McCampbell, W. H.
Fletcher, *Chas. Wadleigh, T. W. Cole, C. A. Paige, M. V. B. Paige.

Representative, Wm. Baker. Alternate, Levi Overmire.

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Post Commander, *Perry W. Bahl.

Past Post Commanders, C. M. Eversol, *Jas. R. Milner, W. H. Park,
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Representatives, *W. D. Hubbard, J. W. Richardson.

Alternates, J. J. Gideon, *W. C. Calland.

B. B. King Post No. 70, Canton.

Post Commander, August Gloeser.

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gard, Alonzo Haney.

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J. M. White, P. C. Stepp, M. Wetzler, Jos. Robertson, Thos. Murphy
Wm. Swayzy.

Representatives, *G. G. McFarland, *Chauncey Hall.

Alternates, Jno. Goss, Geo. Hall.

Johnson Downen Post No. 73, Sticklerville.

Post Commander, T. J. Beatty.

Past Post Commanders, Geo. Graham, *W. L. Beatty, Z. W. Walker,
*E. F. Lane, W. T. Leas, W. L. Taylor.

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Greenfield Post No. 75, Greenfield.

Post Commander, J. F. Harris.

Past Post Commanders, *A. Helphenstine, J. T. Quick, E. K. Shackelford.

Representative, *W. C. Young. Alternate, J. H. Griggs.

Jno. A. Dix Post No. 76, Kidder.

Post Commander, *Thos. Templeton.

Past Post Commanders, *Addison McKee, *Wm. W. Baldwin, *Jas. Wilson, *A. Sornberger, Thos. Templeton.

Representative, *Chas. D. Iglehart. Alternate, E. S. Gurney.

Col. Grover Post No. 78, Warrensburg.

Post Commander, A. B. Logan.

Past Post Commanders, G. N. Richards, A. W. Rogers, *R. Baldwin, C. E. Clark, D. F. Beegle, *Wm. Lowe, W. H. Mayfield, Rob't Mears.

Representatives, *G. S. Brinkerhoff, *W. J. Crutchfield.

Alternates, A. M. Geer, G. F. Savage.

Capt. Stanley Post No. 79, Princeton.

No report.

Rousseau Post No. 80, Ravanna.

Post Commander, J. E. Callaway.

Past Post Commanders, L. McDonald, J. E. Callaway, Geo. W. Goddard.

Representative, *J. S. England. Alternate, Wm. H. Galiger.

L. W. Cooper Post No. 81, Lathrop.

Post Commander, W. W. Anderson.

Past Post Commanders, B. J. Burke, Jas. F. Moore, J. L. D. Parks, S. Fagan, J. T. Parshall.

Representative, *A. W. Rainwater. Alternate, P. Dykes.

Yeager-Sharp Post No. 82, Wellsville.

Post Commander, J. H. Stone.

Past Post Commanders, A. J. Day, J. D. Hart, W. Y. Broughall, Conrad Menz.

Representative, John Blackwell. Alternate, Jordan Hunter.

Curtis Post No. 84, Sarcoxie.

Post Commander, J. E. Riley.

Past Post Commanders, R. L. Hottel, *C. R. Allen, J. E. Riley, C. B. Stewart.

Representative *W. A. Hagar. Alternate, G. W. Pelsue.

Lookout Post No. 85, Shelbina.

Post Commander, John Turner.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. S. Chandler, Geo. P. Nelson, F. M. Staley.

Representative, A. F. Huggins. Alternate, Jno. H. Dorse.

King City Post No. 86, King City.

Post Commander, ——— ———

Past Post Commanders, N. C. Schultz, E. W. Salisbury, W. H. Bulla, Jno. Hutton, W. T. Dickens.

Representative, H. Pittsberger. Alternate, M. E. Pickerd.

G. G. Harker Post No. 88, Meadville.

Post Commander, T. A. Loomis.

Past Post Commanders, J. G. Bargar, Jas. Darling, H. C. Bargar, M. A. Stearns, M. Cave, G. H. Ward.

Representative, J. W. Abell. Alternate, H. Bolman.

Capt. J. H. Paynter Post No. 90, Jericho.

Post Commander, M. J. Straight. No report.

T. H. Richardson Post No. 92, Lancaster.

Post Commander, J. F. Mellender.

Past Post Commanders, E. R. Kirkpatrick, Jno. C. Cawood, A. L. Merrick, Jas. B. Hackett, J. F. Mellender.

Representative, W. P. Leedom. Alternate, W. H. Fulton.

Capt. C. C. Harvey Post No. 96, Maysville.

Post Commander, Geo. Lloyd.

Past Post Commanders, W. S. Gurley, H. Hamberger, B. M. Clayton, G. B. Atterbury, J. T. Griffin.

Representative, David R. Evans. Alternate, Jacob Poor.

Gen. G. B. Boomer Post No. 97, Linn.

Post Commander, H. Jordan.

Past Post Commanders, W. A. Ferguson, Theo. Dubrouillet, John Peters.

Representative, Joseph Bacon. Alternate, Louis Verdot.

Gen. Ord Post No. 99, Richwoods.

No report.

Franklin Shanks Post No. 100, Marble Hill.

Post Commander, Wm. Nevin.

Past Post Commanders, Randolph James, Lindsay Murdock, W. P. McCans, Wm. Nevin.

Representative, A. J. Bedwell, Alternate, Geo. E. Clark.

Wm. E. Wood Post No. 101, Lindersville.

Post Commander, Benj. Guffey.

Past Post Commanders, Jas. A. Whiteman, B. Guffey.

Representative, Wm. P. Linder. Alternate, Newton Vandever.

Shelbyville Post No. 102, Shelbyville.

Post Commander, J. J. Hiles.

Past Post Commanders, J. M. Collier, J. J. Hiles, O. P. Robison,
Leonard Dobbin, Wm. B. Davis, H. Orewyler, Jno. Burge.

Representative, W. C. McDowell. Alternate, T. M. Churchwell.

Chilhowee Post No. 103, Chilhowee.

Post Commander, J. P. Logan.

Past Post Commanders, Alonzo Gittings, S. Y. Kern, F. A. Shoemaker,
R. L. Crumbaugh, D. N. Simons, J. H. Vance, Harrison Stewart.

Representative, R. A. Bridges. Alternate, S. Y. Kern.

Nichols Post No. 104, Gallatin.

Post Commander, B. B. Adams.

Past Post Commanders, W. C. Gillihan, D. L. Kost, S. J. McDonald,
W. T. Sullivan, J. B. Lewis, W. M. Bostaph.

Representative, W. E. Clay. Alternate, J. B. Lewis.

Arthur Crockett Post No. 106, Marshall.

Post Commander, Jno. N. Blackburn.

Past Post Commanders, N. T. Chastine, Leo Shuman, M. Shay,
H. P. Rising.

Representative, Jacob Fink. Alternate, Martin Rozell.

Harry P. Harding Post No. 107, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Jos. Wasser.

Past Post Commanders, Henry B. Kerone, Herman Schneider,
Wm. A. Hall, DeMott Stevens, Jno. P. Kivits, A. J. Siegrist, Aug.
Dethloff, Cyrus M. Gregg.

Representatives, Chas. T. Kerls, Albert Wippo, *Fred'k Post,
Quirenius Kraha.

Alternate, *Jno. P. Allen, Chas. Herman, Peter Lohrum, Wm.
R. Oder.

Jeff. C. Davis Post No. 108, Versailles.

Post Commander, Wm. T. Bowen.

Past Post Commanders, Max Joachimi, John Hamlin.

Representative, Hobart Ripley. Alternate, Thos. L. Cockburn.

B. K. Davis Post No. 109, Hopkins.

Post Commander, Geo. O. Cobb.

Past Post Commanders, T. W. Wallace, J. H. Saylor, S. K. Wray,

E. B. Mobley, J. B. Thompson.

Representative, A. Bordner. Alternate, Harvey Kempton.

Wm. McKee Post No. 110, Kahoka.

Post Commander, Wm. Owens.

Past Post Commanders, Jos. Vandolah, S. Neeper, Z. W. Dowell,

Jas. P. Smith, J. B. Sansom, G. N. Sansom, Jos. Morgan, T. A. Bull,
J. E. Schermerhorn.

Representative, *Joseph S. Matlick. Alternate, Wm. Stokes.

Miles Carroll Post No. 111, Iberia.

Post Commander, *Jno. Ferguson.

Past Post Commanders, F. E. Lombar, J. C. Tallman, Jno. Ferguson.

Representatives, David J. Goforth, *M. Jones.

Alternate, J. M. Carroll.

R. L. McCook Post No. 114, Poplar Bluff.

No report.

Cameron Garrett Post No. 115, Carl Junction.

Post Commander, *Adam Grim.

Past Post Commanders, *Jno. Riggan, *H. L. Thompson, *Wm. E.

Evans, David Hopkins, *Jas. H. Haffmire.

Representative, *J. A. Loop. Alternate, Thos R. May.

Hardy Smith Post No. 117, Quitman.

No report.

Jewell Post No. 118, Mt. Vernon.

Post Commander, J. A. Boster.

Past Post Commanders, *Wm. N. Davis, Wm. B. Landrum, J. W.

McCause, J. F. Halterman, J. F. Hargrove, J. A. Cochran, Geo. Wilson,

Representative, Chas. Harvey. Alternate, *Euphrates Boucher.

Marion Post No. 119, Stanberry.

Post Commander, H. Groves.

Representatives, J. C. Hussey, J. W. Huggins.

Alternates, A. J. Boze, W. H. Hikes.

Maple Grove Post No. 120, Maple Grove.

Post Commander, J. T. Driver.

Past Post Commanders, J. R. Spencer, J. R. Freed, J. T. Driver.

Representative, *Wm. O. Adams. Alternate, H. C. Martin.

Webster Post No. 121, Cora.

No report.

Virgil Rogers Post No. 122, Martinstown.

Post Commander, W. D. Scurlock.

Past Post Commanders, J. O. West, Lester Husted.

Representative, Wm. Hodges. Alternate, W. D. Scurlock.

Lieut. T. D. Neal Post No. 124, Bethany.

Post Commander, Jno. W. Smith.

Past Post Commanders, W. P. Robinson, R. H. Wren, *W. H. Skinner, F. T. Harvey, Jackson Walker, *E. S. Miner, J. G. Henshaw, Jno. W. Kenyon, Richard Lovelace.

Representatives, Jacob Noll, *E. B. Ward.

Alternates, David Goucher, Merritt Lewis.

Jas. Marquess Post No. 127, Edina.

No report.

Salem Post No. 128, Salem.

Post Commander, *E. C. Slawson.

Past Post Commanders, R. M. Askin, D. N. Garner, J. S. Ault, Louis Fischer, H. E. Sankey, R. Kessler.

Representatives, *Preston Riley, Geo. E. Smith,

Alternates, H. C. Cavender, H. Clark.

J. H. Little Post No. 129, Denver.

Post Commander, A. Norman.

Past Post Commanders, Isaac Dunfee, G. T. Glochler, Wm. Lewis.

Representative, G. F. Bram. Alternate, W. A. Brown.

Fred. Miller Post No. 130, Tina.

No report.

Ransom Post No. 131, St. Louis.

Post Commander, *J. F. Cluley.

Past Post Commanders, J. B. Harlow, A. G. Peterson, *A. J. Child, J. G. Butler, S. P. Galt, H. M. Pollard, L. B. Ripley, J. O. Churchill, J. B. Wilde, A. E. Cook.

Representatives, *Delos R. Haynes, *N. W. Taylor, *W. G. Hills, *C. W. Barstow, *S. M. Sparklin, *Adam Roth, *A. L. Messmore, *Geo. W. Bailey, *T. S. Hawley, *Henry Fairback, *A. J. Bromwell.

Alternates, E. A. Becker, M. M. Clark, S. W. Kniffin, C. P. Chesebro, Truman A. Post, Chas. M. Breeden, O. L. Whitelaw, R. R. Scott, Geo. E. Smith, E. D. Coe, W. B. Dean.

Gardner Post No. 133, Utica.

Post Commander, Richard Warren.

Past Post Commanders, Jas. S. Fisher, J. D. Williams, R. R. Kitt, Hiram Norton, W. J. McCoy, J. B. White, Richard Warren.

Representative, Jacob Waltz. Alternate, M. V. Galbreath.

Gentry Post No. 134, Albany.

Post Commander, C. C. Byrne.

Past Post Commanders, C. C. Byrne, E. J. Tipton, L. P. Forbis.

Representative, *Sam'l W. Clark. Alternate, J. T. Hazlerigg.

B. H. Porch Post No. 135, Olean.

Post Commander, A. B. Porch.

Past Post Commanders, A. B. Porch, B. D. Roark, David B. Taylor,
Geo. R. Weeks.

Representative, *Jas. C. Walker. Alternate, Thos. D. Shelton.

Gen. Jno. G. Foster Post No. 137, Neosho.

Post Commander, *J. C. Geyer.

Past Post Commanders, H. J. Curtice, *J. C. Williams, *Luke Kelly,
J. C. Herms, W. W. Pacey, J. C. Geyer, *A. Maas.

Representative, W. H. Sherman. Alternate, J. R. Woolfender.

Marionville Post No. 141, Marionville.

Post Commander, *C. P. Woodruff.

Past Post Commanders, S. C. McCullah, *A. J. Ragsdale.

Representative, Geo. W. Owen. Alternate, F. M. Wise.

Stephen Decatur Post No. 142, Medoc.

Post Commander, *James A. Hunter.

Past Post Commanders, *A. A. Barrett, J. E. Downs, *J. W. Baker,
*Jas. Robinson, Jas. A. Hunter, *Thos. Grigg.

Representative, *W. J. Huff. Alternate, C. H. Taggart.

Sam'l McClure Post No. 145, Eldon.

Post Commander, T. W. Shelton.

Past Post Commanders, T. W. Shelton, Richard Boyce, H. A. Snyder,
A. A. Nevens, J. W. Temple.

Representative, D. H. Allen. Alternate, R. B. Snyder.

Avalon Post No. 146, Avalon.

Post Commander, F. M. Snyder.

Past Post Commander, *Isaac Leeper.

J. J. Gravely Post No. 149, Bolivar.

Post Commander, J. D. Abbe.

Past Post Commanders, James Mathers, C. L. Allen, J. J. Akard,
J. Ammerman, J. D. Abbe.

Representative, Geo. C. Collins. Alternate, E. S. Battin.

Liberty Post No. 150, Spickardsville.

Post Commander, W. H. Newton.

Past Post Commanders, E. A. Cook, H. C. Montgomery.

Representative, *M. V. Ewing. Alternate, Geo. A. Spickard.

D. N. Keeler Post No. 152, Melrose.

Post Commander, A. Kesselring.

Past Post Commanders, Ernst Walter, Fred. Barthold, Thos. F. Ackerman, Gustave Grauer.

Representative, *Michael Bouquet. Alternate, Henry Oetters.

Thos. Weber Post No. 154, Arbela.

Post Commander, James Grubb.

Past Post Commanders, F. M. Piles, Z. N. Kennett, D. B. Cravens.

Representative, Marion N. Shanes. Alternate, P. Englehart.

Loyal Post No. 155, Creighton.

Post Commander, Jno. H. Schnorf.

Representative, S. S. Hughes. Alternate, W. A. Wade.

Geo. Miller Post No. 158, Bethel.

Post Commander, F. Baltzer. No report.

A. D. Hickman Post No. 159, Shibley's Point.

Post Commander, ——— ———

Past Post Commanders, Jas. A. Branaman, Jno. W. Elsea.

Representative, Jno. H. Ford. Alternate, S. T. Scobee.

Col. H. C. Gilbert Post No. 160, Wheeling.

Post Commander, *Geo. Real.

Past Post Commanders, Geo. Real, Geo. W. Brant, S. B. Patterson, B. F. Wolfe, E. D. Carpenter.

Representative, *Henry Cornwell. Alternate, Oscar Tanner.

Gen. F. J. Herron Post No. 161, Buffalo.

Post Commander, John W. Ramsey.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. S. Wilson, T. G. Weatherby, J. L. Richey, C. L. Curtice, Jas. S. Hazlett, Jno. C. Bennett.

Representative, L. T. Harrison. Alternate, Jas. S. Hazlett.

Marshall Post No. 162, Elmo.

Post Commander, Geo. W. Livengood.

Past Post Commanders, J. C. Spence, Wm. M. Johnston, Jacob Yaple.

Representative, Chas. Mack. Alternate, Jacob Falkner.

Col. Islam Keith Post No. 164, Breckenridge.

Post Commander, C. H. May.
 Past Post Commanders, R. C. Moorhouse, T. J. Stagner, *Thos. McPeck, A. H. Chaffee, S. Thomas.
 Representative, P. J. Berger. Alternate, H. R. Sloane.

Menke Post No. 166, LaGrange.

Post Commander, Wm. H. Thomas.
 Past Post Commanders, Jas. T. Howland, L. F. Koch, W. H. Thomas, W. I. Nellis, D. D. Terril.
 Representative, G. W. McLean. Alternate, Stephen Wesley.

Rosendale Post No. 167, Rosendale.

No report.

Jesse H. Moore Post No. 168, Braymer.

Post Commander, H. B. Meffert.
 Past Post Commanders, A. J. McKnight, D. C. Frese, S. S. Lindsey.
 Representative, *Jno. H. A. Gorty. Alternate, Jno. Mount.

Fillmore Post No. 170, Fillmore.

Post Commander, C. W. Spicer.
 Past Post Commanders, Geo. C. Smith, C. W. Spicer.
 Representative, S. Thompson. Alternate, Aaron Cole.

Jas. N. Whitehead Post No. 171, Victoria.

Post Commander, Jno. S. Hazard.
 Past Post Commanders, V. P. Dillingham, D. F. McKee, C. W. Nelson, Jas. Bonnell, Wm. J. Bell.
 Representative, J. E. Bell. Alternate, F. H. Williams.

Gen. J. B. Steadman Post No. 172, Appleton City.

Post Commander, T. D. Thayer.
 Past Post Commanders, D. Gilson, W. D. Clark, J. H. Smith, W. F. McColly, Jas. Wyckoff, Thos. Streiff, *W. W. Chapel.
 Representative, *E. S. Chapin. Alternate, V. Rowe.

Justi Post No. 173, Cape Girardeau.

Post Commander, John Walter.
 Past Post Commanders, Henry A. Astholz, Jno. Kassel, *Geo. W. Travis, Jas. N. Hartzell.
 Representatives, *August Bierwirth, Ezra Peters.
 Alternates, C. B. Galusha, Henry Henze.

Maj. Hiram Gavitt Post No. 174, Fredericktown.

Post Commander, I. D. McWilliams.

Past Post Commanders, B. B. Cahoon, R. Albert, E. H. Day,
W. H. Higdon, I. D. McWilliams.

Representative, B. B. Cahoon. Alternate, E. H. Day.

Seneca Post No. 175, Seneca.

Post Commander, C. Griffith.

Past Post Commanders, H. C. Kyle, M. Craig, Wm. McCullen,
C. Griffith, Geo. Wetherell.

Representative, Wm. Conine. Alternate, Joshua Kidwell.

Indian Springs Post No. 176, Indian Springs.

Post Commander, *R. W. Williams.

Past Post Commanders, R. W. Williams, *R. P. Akins.

Representative, Temple Golden. Alternate, A. G. Wylie.

W. H. L. Wallace Post No. 177, Moundville.

Post Commander, *A. Hubbs.

Past Post Commanders, A. Hubbs, T. Phillips, W. T. Phillips.

Representative, *R. Davis. Alternate, A. King.

Stephen Estle Post No. 178, DeWitt.

Post Commander, Wm. B. Mullins.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. B. Mullins, A. D. Richards, M. E.
Frazier, Jno. H. Gwin.

Representative, *J. M. Null. Alternate, John Burnside.

Capt. W. G. Murray Post No. 179, Memphis.

Post Commander, R. D. Cramer.

Past Post Commanders, R. D. Cramer, L. W. Rickard, P. H. Ben-
nett, J. P. Craig.

Representatives, R. D. Cramer, *Geo. Sharr.

Alternates, P. H. Bennett, Simeon Martin.

Stambaugh Post No. 180, Austin.

Post Commander, W. L. Ten Brook.

Past Post Commanders, S. Apt, A. J. Briggs, E. L. Clark, W. L.
Ten Brook.

Representative, W. P. Gabriel. Alternate, J. M. Keaton.

Mansfield Post No. 181, Powersville.

Post Commander, S. S. Torrey.

Past Post Commanders, H. B. Powers, I. C. Sells, *D. W. Pollock,
C. F. Howard, John Howry, Lee Collins.

Representative, J. D. S. Beary. Alternate, J. J. Harbert.

Chester Harding Post No. 182, St. Joseph.

Post Commander, *F. J. Lufier.

Past Post Commanders, P. V. Wise, F. J. Lufier, Fred. Wenz,
Henry Austray.

Representatives, *A. M. Brown, Conrad Hartzell.

Alternates, Wm. Sage, *Wm. Coy.

Erich Pape Post No. 184, Bollinger Mills.

Post Commander, Monroe Hindman.

Past Post Commanders, Monroe Hindman, Jos. E. Baker, Mailan
Cox.

Representative, Julius C. Cabbage. Alternate, Levi B. James.

Major Hunt Post No. 185, New London.

Post Commander, Wm. Y. Jones.

Past Post Commanders, S. B. Mills, T. G. McCune, C. Culp,
T. W. Piper, Wm. Y. Jones.

Representative, H. Arnold. Alternate, Frank Clayton.

Windsor Post No. 186, Windsor.

Post Commander, M. F. Booth.

Past Post Commanders, G. W. Tryon, G. B. Stratton, J. A. Wesner,
N. E. Carpenter, M. F. Booth.

Representative, J. S. Craft. Alternate, Wm. Hix.

Jno. A. Rawlins Post No. 187, Pierce City.

Post Commander, P. O. Snider.

Past Post Commanders, F. C. Johnston, *Wm. Buchner, M. P.
Glassford, *Geo. A. Purdy, J. J. Smith.

Representative, *D. S. Flower. Alternate, F. C. Johnston.

Jno. D. Mullins Post No. 188, Linneus.

Post Commander, Jas. Williams.

Past Post Commanders, B. F. Northcott, F. W. Powers, J. Stone-
burner, Wm. Trippeer.

Representative, E. P. Harvey. Alternate, Felix Randall.

Henry Wilson Post No. 189, Rolla.

Post Commander, James G. Frazier.

Past Post Commanders, T. D. Smith, James G. Frazier, Henry
Wood, J. M. Hoggett.

Representative, S. Greensweight. Alternate, Benj. Berrian.

W. B. Goodrich Post No. 190, Webb City.

Post Commander, C. E. Swartz.

Past Post Commanders, *R. B. Dodge, Geo. Robinson, *L. L. Gates.

Representative, *Jno. Martsolf. Alternate, E. Swartz.

Austin Hubbard Post No. 194, Stockton.

Post Commander, R. N. Cox.

Past Post Commanders, T. M. Montgomery, W. M. Watkins,
Wm. Ackason, C. Hutchison, R. N. Cox, Gabriel Hickman.

Representative, Henry Griffith. Alternate, Alex. Younger.

Col. Morsey Post No. 197, Warrenton.

Post Commander, J. H. Koelling.

Past Post Commanders, H. A. Schappenhorst, J. L. Fant, T. B.
Dyer.

Representative, A. S. Shaw. Alternate, August Holman.

Rogersville Post No. 200, Rogersville.

Post Commander, G. W. Bailey. No report.

Bradshaw Post No. 201, Mt. Moriah.

Post Commander, Jno. M. Franklin.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. J. Cumming, G. W. Allen, Jas. B.
Morris, Wm. Dodd.

Representative, Jackson Green. Alternate, H. M. Etherton.

W. S. Thomas Post No. 202, Muscle Fork.

Post Commander, S. S. Kelso.

Past Post Commanders, F. B. Kyes, Henry Krager.

Representative, J. C. Towns. Alternate, Geo. W. Smith.

Aaron Brokaw Post No. 203, Luray.

Post Commander, J. Johnson.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Hill, *P. Reynolds, Jonathan Johnson.

Representative, *Jos. Cameron. Alternate, P. Reynolds.

Geo. N. McGee Post No. 206, Richmond.

Past Post Commander, *Wm. Greer. No report.

Col. Brooks Post No. 207, Hannibal.

No report.

Edward Wray Post No. 209, Linn Creek.

No report.

McCrosky Post No. 210, Springfield.

Post Commander, W. A. Sarver.

Past Post Commanders, R. Marsh, *D. T. Ferrier.

Representative, *L. N. Butler. Alternate, L. M. Williams.

Isaac Clevenger Post No. 211, Excelsior Springs.

Post Commander, M. W. Sullivan.

Past Post Commanders, J. W. Cones, W. N. Perkins, M. J. Benson.

Representative, *M. Bech. Alternate, B. C. Branch.

Geo. R. Taylor Post No. 212, Richmond.

No report.

Jos. A. K. Dillon Post No. 213, Lindley.

Post Commander, Isaac W. Overman.

Past Post Commanders, H. C. Flagg, Isaac W. Overman.

Representative, John H. Cooper. Alternate, Isaac Burton.

Sergt. Ryan Post No. 214, Brashear.

Post Commander, James S. McIntyre.

Past Post Commanders, B. F. Hall, D. Tuttle, M. F. Strock, Jas. S. McIntyre, W. H. Steele, Jos. Rogers, J. N. McCreery.

Representative, Chas. Collison. Alternate, F. R. Yentz.

Picket Post No. 215, Farmington.

Post Commander, Thos. T. Dalton.

Past Post Commanders, C. B. Parsons, G. W. Hughes, W. H. C. Conover, Z. Maurer, Geo. M. Wilson, Thos. Lang, E. D. Hopkins, *D. J. Doughty, Jno. W. Wescoat.

Representatives, *Wm. Kolemeyer, A. Counts.

Alternates, Geo. A. Miller, *Jos. C. Kasher.

Cainsville Post No. 216, Cainsville.

Post Commander, Thos. J. Roberts.

Past Post Commanders, J. M. Moss, *C. E. Buren, W. D. Bryant, W. E. Riley, T. J. Roberts.

Representative, J. M. Moss. Alternate, C. E. Baker.

Bennett Ford Post No. 217, Williamstown.

Post Commander, J. W. Ewart.

Past Post Commanders, J. N. Matlick, J. W. Ewart.

Representative, W. F. Tobin. Alternate, Jno. Walker.

Jno. W. Williams Post No. 218, Fairport.

Post Commander, Jno. G. Henry.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Pittman, Martin Ewing, Marion Hartwell, Thos. D. Osborn, Fred. Keener.

Representative, Jno. W. Wolf. Alternate, Jos. Allenbrant.

Republic Post No. 219, Republic.

Post Commander, *J. W. Houtz.

Past Post Commanders, A. S. Grove, *Jas. E. Decker, *James Watson, *J. A. Kerr.

Representative, *T. F. Criswell. Alternate, T. Maples.

Jamesport Post No. 220, Jamesport.

Post Commander, F. B. Staats.

Past Post Commanders, Jacob Kenestrick, P. D. Davis, E. P. Morrill, W. V. Phipps, J. H. Higdon, F. B. Staats.

Representative, J. M. Rush. Alternate, G. H. Brown.

Norcross Post No. 221, Novelty.

Post Commander, Geo. P. Keith.

Past Post Commanders, I. J. Bitler, O. M. Morris, R. M. Griggs, *Sol. Conder.

Representative, Wm. E. Pond. Alternate, L. L. Simpson.

S. L. Turley Post No. 222, Bancroft.

Post Commander, C. H. Brown.

Past Post Commanders, C. D. King, *M. G. Netherton.

Representative, J. H. Bamgrower. Alternate, C. H. Brown.

Reuben Dale Post No. 223, Eagleville.

Post Commander, ——— ———

Past Post Commanders, J. D. Officer, T. B. Schaeffer, J. M. Curry, J. J. Dale, H. M. Stump, J. W. Eaton, J. T. Anderson, E. Scott, Jno. Barber.

Representatives, O. W. Johnson, Jno. Ennis.

Alternates, J. Williams, C. C. Miller.

Guy Ward Post No. 224, Hale.

Post Commander, J. M. Edge.

Past Post Commanders, J. M. Edge, C. Fink, J. Thomas, R. H. Meeks.

Representative, W. H. Clute. Alternate, A. J. Jamison.

Marshfield Post No. 225, Marshfield.

Post Commander, Darius White. No report.

Jno. Kinnett Post No. 226, Jameson.

No report.

Col. Almstead Post No. 227, Fenton.

Post Commander, Jno. W. Sullens.

Past Post Commander, Jno. W. Sullens.

Representative, Hugo S. Jacobi. Alternate, C. Dillon.

Union Post No. 229, Laddonia.

Post Commander, A. Hageman.

Past Post Commanders, G. D. Parrish, W. V. B. Read, G. E. Ferris, J. W. Stevens.

Andrew Hightower Post No. 231, Kansas City.

Post Commander, M. W. Love.

Past Post Commanders, M. W. Love, N. Johnson, Louis Tompkins, W. Stearmon.

Representative, P. Harris. Alternate, S. Christal.

S. A. M. George Post No. 232, Humansville.

Post Commander, J. W. Hapgood.

Past Post Commanders, N. H. Hamilton, H. A. Moore, W. R. Hudson, J. W. Hapgood.

Representative, Jno. Larew. Alternate, W. H. H. Ireland.

Thos. J. Brouster Post No. 233, Clayton.

Post Commander, Alex. Robertson.

Past Post Commanders, C. D. Wolff, Ira B. Warner, Jno. B. Polard, Jas. Clarkson, A. McElhinney.

Representative, *Henry Seibel. Alternate, R. Heintzlemann.

Ash Grove Post No. 234, Ash Grove.

Post Commander, ——— ———

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Comegys, A. J. Twaddell, A. S. Rainey.

Representatives, R. M. Edwards, A. P. Murphy.

Alternates, R. H. Livingston, J. M. Norris.

Gen. Fred. D. Steele Post No. 235, Montrose.

Post Commander, P. H. Sullivan.

Past Post Commanders, D. B. Watts, R. H. Dugan, P. H. Sullivan.

Representative, W. E. Bundy. Alternate, Thos. Hummel.

U. S. Grant Post No. 236, Lincoln.

Post Commander, J. L. Holloway.

Past Post Commanders, D. W. Spicer, J. P. Carlin, Lewis Walters.

Representative, Alex. Miller. Alternate, Chas. Hardy.

Farnsworth Post No. 237, Warsaw.

Post Commander, N. B. Petts.

Past Post Commanders, N. B. Petts, G. W. Laird.

Representative, J. Anthrieth. Alternate, R. Holley.

W. S. Hancock Post No. 239, Mexico.

Post Commander, G. W. Bailey.

Past Post Commanders, D. E. Shea, R. H. Kernan, A. F. Reid,

J. G. Head, L. S. Hopkins.

Representative, *J. N. Humphrey. Alternate, Bruce Baldwin.

Jno. A. Hayn Post No. 240, Boonville.

Post Commander, T. M. Rice.

Past Post Commanders, T. M. Rice, Franklin Swap.

Representatives, Jas. Taylor, Thos. L. Tucker, Jno. Cochran.

Alternates, Thos. B. Wright, J. F. Gmelich, Ewing Roberts.

Galt Post No. 241, Galt.

Post Commander, H. C. Crooks.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Cox, J. H. Morris, J. H. Reese, G. W.

Pollock, J. W. Root, A. Christian.

Representative, D. M. Berry. Alternate, W. D. Downing.

Pattonsburg Post No. 242, Pattonsburg.

Post Commander, J. A. Gray.

Past Post Commanders, A. H. Curtis, W. J. Ward.

Representative, J. W. Merrifield. Alternate, Jesse Cunningham.

Andy Smith Post No. 243, Willow Springs.

Post Commander, H. U. Pease.

Past Post Commanders, W. Hughes, J. M. Kennedy, A. B. Johnston,

G. H. Smith, J. L. Snow, H. U. Pease.

Representative, *W. B. Hatchett. Alternate, J. S. Harper.

Fred. Steele Post No. 244, Cole Camp.

Post Commander, H. M. McCree.

Past Post Commanders, R. M. Neff, B. F. Abbott.

Representative, M. D. More. Alternate, Claus Ficken.

Jack Grant Post No. 245, Knox City.

No report.

Chas. R. Wood Post No. 246, Sligo.

No report.

Jno. W. Rollins Post No. 247, West Plains.

Post Commander, Sam'l D. Foster.

Past Post Commanders, D. W. Reese, J. M. Livesay, S. A. Risley,

Thos. J. Gordon.

Representative, D. W. Reese. Alternate, A. A. Bishop.

Guthrie Post No. 248, North Salem.

No report.

Fordland Post No. 249, Fordland.

Post Commander, W. F. Mills.

Past Post Commanders, D. C. Hardy, J. S. Taggard, J. R. Powell.

Representative, Perry Parker. Alternate, M. McDonald.

Ulysses Post No. 250, Mirabile.

Post Commander, Thos. Wilkins.

Past Post Commanders, A. W. Moffitt, W. H. Alleman, Dan. Fort,
J. S. Mylar, Jos. Montgomery, *J. B. Haworth, M. V. Wilson.

Representative, J. B. Haworth. Alternate, M. V. Wilson.

Col. Leonard Post No. 251, Eldorado Springs.

Post Commander, E. M. Burns.

Past Post Commanders, E. M. Burns, C. Crysler, *Wm. S. Hutch-
inson, B. C. McDuffie.

Representative, *Geo. W. Sampson.

Mt. McGregor Post No. 252, Sprague.

Post Commander, A. B. Wilkins.

Past Post Commanders, W. B. S. Gault, A. B. Wilkins, J. G.
Hudson.

Mt. Pleasant Post No. 253, Belton.

Post Commander, ——— ———

Past Post Commanders, A. L. Handley, P. J. Stanberry.

Representative, *M. L. Willey. Alternate, F. Jones.

Jno. Boon Post No. 257, Licking.

Post Commander, Josiah Bradford.

Past Post Commanders, J. N. Haggard, Josiah Bradford.

Representative, Wm. Owens. Alternate, Jas. M. Barns.

Mitchell Post No. 258, Gatewood.

Post Commander, J. W. Dodd.

Past Post Commanders, J. W. Dodd, S. Harris, A. S. Cotham.

Representative, H. H. Hill. Alternate, Jas. Beagle.

Blanchard Post No. 260, Blanchard.

Post Commander, R. D. Perigo.

Past Post Commanders, T. J. Baggs, R. D. Perigo, Philip Yates,
M. Neely.

Representative, L. D. Hoag. Alternate, S. A. Johnston.

Serg't-Major McIntosh Post No. 261, Hermitage.

Post Commander, W. R. Brewster.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. McCracken, M. N. Neihardt, Wm. W.
Hiatt, Rob't A. Vance.

Representatives, Geo. W. Washburn, Isaac C. Smith.

Alternates, Jno. B. McClure, P. Chancellor.

Johnson Post No. 262, Centralia.

Post Commander, Wm. P. Reid.

Past Post Commanders, Jos. Eckley, R. Orchard, Thos. T. Finley.

Representative, Jas. Fox. Alternate, W. C. Condit.

Cuba Post No. 263, Cuba.

Post Commander, J. L. Denton.

Past Post Commanders, L. D. Grover, J. L. Denton, J. R. Myers.

Representative, L. D. Grover. Alternate, R. Benton.

Morgan L. Smith Post No. 264, Deepwater.

Post Commander, Chas. Straw. No report.

Billings Post No. 266, Billings.

Post Commander, Wm. Thompson. No report.

Pinhart Post No. 268, Brunswick.

Post Commander, *J. E. Lewis.

Past Post Commanders, *Louis Benecke, Jos. Gross, J. E. Lewis.

Representatives, O. F. Smith, Geo. W. Cunningham.

Alternates, J. P. Randolph, C. R. Luster.

Sergt. Plummer Post No. 269, Sparta.

Post Commander, J. J. Bruton. No report.

Baker Post No. 271, Pineville.

Post Commander, G. W. Coombs.

Past Post Commanders, Z. M. Wilkins, G. W. Coombs.

Representative, Z. M. Wilkins. Alternate, *A. K. Mansfield.

Vidette Post No. 272, Malden.

No report.

Difani Post No. 273, Perryville.

Post Commander, A. H. Cashion.

Past Post Commanders, A. H. Cashion, Jno. B. Cashion, Thos. Hooss, C. U. Prost, H. Markwort.

Representatives, *John Dieterich, *Geo. Hoehn.

Alternates, Wm. N. Hayden, Jno. Dewein.

Norwood Post No. 274, Norwood.

Post Commander, J. H. Cramer.

Past Post Commanders, E. M. E. B. Shaw, Wm. M. Hart, J. S. Anderson, J. H. Cramer.

Representative, J. W. Hollenbeck. Alternate, J. S. Anderson.

Albert Thompson Post No. 275, Gainsville.

Post Commander, Rob't S. Small. No report.

Henry Brown Post No. 276, Clarksburg.

Post Commander, *James S. Roth.

Past Post Commanders, *D. K. Steele, *Jacob Hott, *David Stanway, *Jno. M. Williams, Jno W. Moore, *Wm. H. Mengel.

Representatives, *Fred. Bentrop, C. P. Bailey, *C. M. Gordon.

Alternates, V. B. Bean, *Adolph Dick, *A. N. Williams.

Seymour Post No. 277, Seymour.

Post Commander, Wm. J. Trimble.

Past Post Commander, R. M. Chaney.

Representative, W. B. Tunnell.

Jno. Kelsey Post No. 278, Cosby.

Post Commander, Wm. J. Hartman. No report.

Edinburgh Post No. 279, Edinburgh.

No report.

A. J. Norton Post No. 280, Modena.

Post Commander, Wm. F. Kelso.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. F. Kelso, David Horn.

Representative, Jno. Norton. Alternate, J. S. Everett.

David Slake Post No. 281, Omaha.

Post Commander, N. B. Abbott.

Past Post Commanders, N. B. Abbott, B. F. Hart.

Representative, N. B. Abbott. Alternate, Jno. F. Leach.

Wakefield Standley Post No. 282, Carrollton.

Post Commander, J. L. Turner.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. Creek, Thos. J. Whiteman, Lewis Blakely.

Representative, *Henry B. Casey. Alternate, Wm. F. Taylor.

Wakefield Post No. 283, Fair Play.

Post Commander, C. H. Grant.

Past Post Commanders, J. C. Smith, E. C. Barker, J. P. Wakefield, W. H. Rovenstine, C. H. Grant.

Representative, G. W. Griffin. Alternate, Wm. Edwards.

Geo. G. Bryan Post No. 284, Belgrade.

Post Commander, Jonathan Fortune.

Past Post Commanders, Jas. F. Bennett, A. M. Goforth, Rob't C. Bryan, Jno. S. Luthy, Thos. H. Henderson.

Jim Carnes Post No. 285, Rockport.

Post Commander, Geo. Steck. No report.

Chas. Umphries Post No. 286, Boonville.

Post Commander, Rob't Umphries. No report.

Warren Post No. 287, Rockville.

Post Commander, J. M. Boreing.

Past Post Commanders, J. M. Boreing, J. Milton Wells, C. D. Carpenter.

Representative, *E. H. Carter. Alternate, J. W. Simmons.

Thos. S. Staples Post No. 288, Fairmont.

Post Commander, S. S. Bowman.

Past Post Commander, Joseph Brosius.

Representative, Wm. A. Haines. Alternate, P. Fairbrothers.

Maj. A. Bartlett Post No. 289, Troy.

Post Commander, Frank Wershing.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Colbert, D. H. Cannon, Logan Howell, F. M. Howell, Wm. J. Cahill.

Representative, Geo. W. Burcham. Alternate, N. LaBrash.

Fred. Hecker Post No. 290, Pacific.

Post Commander, Adolph Stricker.

Past Post Commanders, M. W. Gardner, S. E. Hartubise, Henry Ries.

Representative, A. J. Muir. Alternate, Nicholas Rau.

Robt. McElroy Post No. 291, Clarksville.

Post Commander, C. Grewell.

Past Post Commanders, Byron Slemmons, Wm. L. H. Silliman.

Representative, Henry S. Carroll. Alternate, M. Keightley.

T. A. Reed Post No. 292, Ebenezer.

Post Commander, H. M. Bird.

Past Post Commanders, J. M. Harkness, H. M. Bird, H. G. Mullings, G. L. Keltner, Jno. Gatts, R. A. Vaughn.

Representative, Wm. S. Owens. Alternate, Wm. Gurley.

Geo. Gamble Post No. 293, Hemker.

Post Commander, Jacob Fisher.

Past Post Commanders, R. B. Denny, D. W. Rodgers, Jacob Fisher, Wm. Lewis.

Representative, Jacob Fisher. Alternate, Wm. Brown.

Col. Geiger Post No. 294, Highlandville.

Post Commander, A. F. Patch.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. A. Gideon, Geo. W. Fox, H. G. Gilmore.

Representative, Isaiah Stewart. Alternate, Fred. Irwin.

Capt. Blandowsky Post No. 296, New Haven.

Post Commander, Chas. F. Goodrich.

Past Post Commanders, Rob't Craig, Ferd. Muench, Chas. F. Goodrich.

Representative, Chas. Einbeck. Alternate, Homer Calkins.

Jno. S. Phelps Post No. 297, St. James.

Post Commander, Jno. Livingston.

Past Post Commanders, R. D. Barber, Adolph Muller, Jno. Livingston.

Representative, *R. M. Anderson. Alternate, Wm. T. Coppage.

Stewartsville Post No. 298, Stewartsville.

Post Commander, J. H. Wills.

Past Post Commanders, Walter Thompson, P. H. Deppen, E. D. Wing.

Representative, Geo. W. Sample. Alternate, Thos. Aughinbaugh.

Chester A. Arthur Post No. 299, Mansfield.

Post Commander, *F. L. Peacock.

Past Post Commanders, *G. J. Roote, *N. A. Crippen, *W. D. Bunch, *Z. S. Whaley, *J. M. McKee.

Representatives, L. Wright, *Andrew Ross.

Alternates, Jno. Crysler, *G. M. Dennis.

Palmyra Post No. 300, Palmyra.

No report.

Chas. Demney Post No. 301, St. Louis.

Post Commander, August Meyer.

Past Post Commanders, J. C. Brockmeier, E. Henry Vordtreide, Fred. G. Uthoff, A. Yolk.

Representative, Chas. Meyer. Alternate, Fred'k Stroh.

Negley Post No. 302, Ottomer.

Post Commander, A. McMurren. No report.

Bob Ford Post No. 303, Coffeysburg.

Post Commander, ——— ———

Past Post Commanders, C. Yost, Geo. Gotschall, J. D. Vandevent.

Representative, J. F. West. Alternate, J. R. Hendricks.

Jno. A. Logan Post No. 304, St. Louis.

Post Commander, H. H. Denison.

Past Post Commanders, Loyd G. Harris, David Murphy, Carl Moller, J. M. Brown, L. F. Campbell.

Representative, C. H. Albers. Alternate, Lewis Lippman.

Ben. Grigsby Post No. 305, Roads.

Post Commander, S. W. Wheeler.

Past Post Commanders, P. S. Bowman, A. T. Anderson, J. A. Lungrin, B. F. Wheeler.

Representative, D. Aurman. Alternate, A. W. Walker.

Freeport Post No. 307, Roy.

Post Commander, John Cox.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. J. Fulton, Jesse Huffman, Jas. Curtis, G. W. D. Pettit, W. S. Masterson.

Representative, Wm. J. Fulton. Alternate, Jas. Curtis.

Franklin Post No. 308, Paris.

Post Commander, John E. Jones.

Past Post Commanders, O. W. Pelsue, J. Conrad, John E. Jones.

Representative, J. C. Barney. Alternate, Wm. Byerly.

J. N. Richards Post No. 309, New Frankfort.

Post Commander, S. N. Smith.

Past Post Commanders, A. H. W. Sullivan, S. N. Smith.

Representative, Jos. Hermann. Alternate, H. Wittenberger.

Maj. A. B. Carroll Post No. 310, Jackson.

Post Commander, ——— ———

Past Post Commanders, E. S. Templeton, A. H. Schlueter.

Representative, A. H. Schlueter. Alternate, Albert Grant.

Geo. W. Tyler Post No. 311, Ford.

Post Commander, ——— ———

Past Post Commanders, Jno. Davis, Thos. McKinney, Isaac McCollum.

Representative, K. McKinney. Alternate, W. W. Lewis.

Dan. McCook Post No. 312, Leesville.

Post Commander, Richard Jones.

Past Post Commanders, *A. D. McQueen, J. W. Rains, A. H. Bailey, P. S. Williams.

Representative, H. P. Brown. Alternate, Jno. Slapper.

W. F. Lane Post No. 313, Strafford.

Post Commander, P. G. Bodenhamer.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. McCabe, P. G. Bodenhamer.

Representative, H. W. Parsley. Alternate, Sol. Grimes.

Jno. D. Rohye Post No. 314, Cedar Hill.

Post Commander, C. G. Grupe.

Past Post Commander, Christ Eggers.

Jordan Wilson Post No. 316, Clarksville.

No report.

General Hunter Post No. 317, Lamonte.

Post Commander, R. P. McCune.

Past Post Commanders, John Jackson, James S. White, Orastus Bentley.

Representative, Reuben Thomas. Alternate, Chas. McPheeters.

Jesse M. Harbin Post No. 318, Puxico.

Post Commander, Wm. O'Donald. No report.

Capt. Mack Post No. 319, Greene Co.

Post Commander, D. M. Young.

Past Post Commanders, H. T. Howard, Alex. West, D. M. Young.

Capt. Manwaring Post No. 320, Hermann.

Post Commander, Louis Meyer.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. L. Heckmann, Henry L. Heckmann, Jos. Leising.

Representatives, John Ingram, Chas. Glick.

Alternates, Conrad Klinge, Chas. M. Matthews.

Caruth Post No. 321, Kennett.

No report.

Capt. J. M. Baird Post No. 322, Verona.

Post Commander, J. Marion.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. D. Allen, E. J. Vantuyl, I. B. Young, G. A. Browning.

Representative, T. J. Carter. Alternate, W. R. Browning.

Galena Post No. 323, Galena.

Post Commander, W. B. Cox.

Past Post Commanders, T. H. Jones, T. L. Viles, J. Frank Seaman, Jos. Payne, Geo. W. Moore.

Representative, B. F. Yocum. Alternate, Jno. M. Towne.

Geo. V. Pitts Post No. 324, Sullivan.

Post Commander, Jos. V. Pitts. No report.

Lockwood Post No. 325, Lockwood.

No report.

J. Felix St. James Post No. 326, Ste. Genevieve.

Post Commander, Geo. Beckerman.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. S. Whitlock, Leon Jokerst, Geo. Beckerman.

Representative, Leon Bogy. Alternate, C. C. Harter.

Adrian Post No. 327, Adrian.

Post Commander, E. T. Inman.

Past Post Commanders, E. A. Stolp, *W. S. Mahan, E. T. Inman.

Representative, *R. W. Beck. Alternate, A. J. Satterlee.

Simpson Mason Post No. 328, Bakersfield.

Post Commander, Elias Tabor.

Past Post Commanders, S. A. Brown, C. W. Odell, E. Lawyer.

Representative, S. A. Brown. Alternate, W. D. Boyd.

Gordon Granger Post No. 329, Clinton.

Post Commander, C. H. Haysler.

Past Post Commanders, J. N. Pierce, Joel Strong, Jacob Keiser, C. H. Haysler, F. M. Douglas, Jas. Woods.

Representative, *E. D. Canan. Alternate, Alvin Haynie.

Jonah W. Reser Post No. 330, Urbana.

Post Commander, J. M. Depew.

Past Post Commanders, J. M. Reser, I. N. Reser, Jas. Cassairt.

Representative, E. F. Darby.

Jno. P. McCluney Post No. 331, Higginsville.

Post Commander, *Jno. B. Jones.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. B. Jones, *Jno. W. Endly, Jos. E. Rigg, David L. Hoffman.

Representative, Jno. S. Borland. Alternate, Chas. H. Chapman.

Jas. W. Owens Post No. 332, Washington.

Post Commander, Rob't Reichard.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. G. Ruge, R. Reichard, J. C. Kiskaddon, Thos. Cahill.

Representatives, Rob't Hoffman, Henry Zeiss.

Alternates, Julius Conrades, Henry Krog.

Gen. James H. Hart Post No. 333, Piedmont.

Post Commander, Jno. H. Clare. No report.

Gen. Washburn Post No. 334, O'Day.

Post Commander, A. H. Woodruff. No report.

H. G. Blake Post No. 335, Panacea.

Post Commander, *P. H. Duncan.

Past Post Commanders, Andrew Harris, *Wm. Holliday, P. H. Duncan, *L. H. Taylor.

James Ward Post No. 337, Jasper.

Post Commander, J. B. Ehernman.

Past Post Commanders, A. J. Reed, Jno. H. Near, T. Henderson, W. S. Johnson.

Representative, Frederick Wilson. Alternate, J. Y. Byers.

Lieut. Jno. Baxter Post No. 338, Purdy,

Post Commander, Jno. R. Stennett. No report.

Houston Post No. 339, Houston.

Post Commander, Geo. A. Leavitt.

Past Post Commanders, G. A. Leavitt, Jno. T. Lynch.

Representative, H. J. Herrick. Alternate, S. S. May.

Evans Post No. 340, Economy.

Post Commander, Jno. B. Grady.

Past Post Commanders, Jos. Ward, J. M. Depew, M. E. Buster.

Representative, *John McDaniels. Alternate, Thos. Sumpter.

Lieut. L. J. Roach Post No. 342, Auglaize.

Post Commander, S. C. Hammer.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. Lane, S. C. Hammer.

Representative, E. E. Osbourn. Alternate, T. H. B. Dobbins.

Col. Shaw Post No. 343, St. Louis.

Post Commander, W. G. Davis.

Past Post Commanders, Henry R. Taylor, W. G. Davis.

Representatives, Thos. Dazy, *G. W. Edwards.

Alternates, F. C. Berry, A. Benton.

Franz Wilhelmi Post No. 344, Union.

Post Commander, Henry Winkelmeier.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. T. Crowe, W. J. Lindner, Wm. Meyersieck, *A. A. Vitt.

Representative, And. Bergmann. Alternate, S. W. Ashmead.

Jesse Owens Post No. 345, Bear Creek.

Post Commander, J. H. Woolry.

Past Post Commanders, A. Rickman, J. K. Baker, E. M. Sprague, J. L. Samsel.

Representative, C. W. Paynter. Alternate, J. N. Simmons.

Iron Post No. 346, Ironton.

Post Commander, Franz Dinger.
 Past Post Commanders, Franz Dinger, A. L. Elliott.
 Representative, C. C. Oesterle. Alternate, Edwin May.

Levi F. Pennington Post No. 347, Truxton.

Post Commander, Jos. Goodwin.
 Past Post Commander, G. T. Muns.
 Representative, Geo. A. Bohrer. Alternate, Wm. S. Goshorn.

Henry C. Beckett Post No. 348, Mineral Point.

Post Commander, Wm. H. Evens.
 Past Post Commanders, S. R. Maclay, Chas. McCarron.
 Representative, Jonathan Wishon. Alternate, Jas. A. Henson.

Capt. Jas. Johnson Post No. 350, Arnsberg.

Post Commander, C. C. Haupt.
 Past Post Commanders, A. Tacke, C. C. Haupt.
 Representative, Henry W. Hahs. Alternate, E. L. Miller.

Jos. Martin Post No. 351, Norborne.

Post Commander, A. Limbird.
 Past Post Commanders, G. W. Cummings, C. L. Booker, Louis Schroll, Chas. Beck.
 Representative, Levi H. Topping. Alternate, James B. Bowlin.

Pardee Post No. 352, Cabool.

Post Commander, J. W. Willoughby. No report.
 Representative, *J. J. Craig.

Serg't P. P. Mabrey Post No. 354, Chaonia.

Post Commander, O. W. Holtz.
 Past Post Commanders, Henry Y. Mabrey, O. W. Holtz.
 Representative, David Manning. Alternate, J. C. Otwell.

Dixon Post No. 355, Dixon.

Post Commander, H. C. Houk.
 Past Post Commanders, J. S. Rhea, H. C. Houk, R. D. Rhea, F. S. Huckins.
 Representative, O. G. Menges. Alternate, H. F. Ellis.

Zincite Post No. 356, Zincite.

Post Commander, *Michael Thuerer.
 Past Post Commanders, *D. G. Vandament, *Henry Rhoads.
 Representative, Wm. H. Carrico. Alternate, *G. W. Owen.

R. L. Ferguson Post No. 358, Sweet Springs.

Post Commander, *J. C. Wood.

Past Post Commander, Stuart C. Davis.

Representative, Wm. M. J. Hall. Alternate, Edward H. Bentley.

Splitlog Post No. 359, Splitlog.

Post Commander, Jas. K. Lawhorn.

Past Post Commanders, S. C. Roberts, *James H. Wimpey.

Representative, *Timothy Spencer. Alternate, Henry J. Betts.

Daniel Miles Post No. 360, Iantha.

Post Commander, E. H. Purdy.

Past Post Commanders, R. P. Benson, M. V. Terhune, J. M. Midleworth.

Representative, Simeon Henson. Alternate, B. V. K. Jester.

Fulton Post No. 361, Fulton.

No report.

Sac River Post No. 362, Seybert.

Post Commander, James J. Shaw.

Past Post Commanders, C. L. Pyle, J. T. Sloan, Jno. Marshall, T. T. Ellis.

Representative, Joel Jones. Alternate, R. Solomon.

Capital City Post No. 363, Jefferson City.

No report.

Capt. McFarland Post No. 364, New Florence.

Post Commander, J. C. Mohrstadt. No report.

Appleton Post No. 365, Appleton.

Post Commander, Theo. Sachse. No report.

Upton Post No. 366, Sheridan.

Post Commander, T. C. Tibbels.

Past Post Commanders, James Boyle, W. T. Shades, Jno. W. Jenkins, Rob't M. Finch, T. C. Tibbels.

Representative, Silas Latson.

Roscoe Post No. 367, Roscoe.

Post Commander, W. H. Secrist.

Past Post Commanders, R. C. Bowles, Jno. S. Kelly, Jno. A. Wood, Rob't T. Scott.

Jno. T. Wilson Post No. 368, Mack's Creek.

No report.

Samuel Lewis Post No. 370, Cunningham.

Post Commander, Chas. Stewart.

Past Post Commanders, Frank M. Lewis, L. J. Morgan.

Representative, *Moses Jones. Alternate, W. A. Homan.

Rocky Comfort Post No. 371, Rocky Comfort.

Post Commander, D. Thomas.

Past Post Commander, Jno. S. Mote.

Representative, Harrison Wood. Alternate, Thos. Shumake.

Col. Putnam Post No. 373, Allendale.

No report.

E. P. Carnes Post No. 374, Dunlap.

Post Commander, Wm. Limes.

Past Post Commanders, J. W. Murphy, H. W. Grant, Freeman Dunlap.

Representative, C. D. Hoskins. Alternate, J. W. Smith.

Harwood Post No. 375, Harwood.

Post Commander, H. Mount.

Past Post Commanders, *G. Mottie, *A. F. Cope, Val. Dafferner, H. Mount.

Representative, J. J. Mitchell. Alternate, A. F. Cope.

Capt. J. W. Robertson Post No. 377, Ozark.

Post Commander, Israel Biers.

Past Post Commanders, Rob't O'Neil, Wm. Easson.

Iuka Post No. 378, Johnson City.

Post Commander, Chas. Minns.

Past Post Commander, E. Disney.

Representative, F. P. Mead. Alternate, L. F. Reader.

Capt. Thos. Walker Post No. 379, Leora.

Post Commander, James H. Poe.

Past Post Commanders, Samuel Scism, D. N. Taylor.

Representative, Henry Reynolds. Alternate, Terry Poe.

Commerce Post No. 382, Commerce.

Post Commander, A. C. Rasberry.

Past Post Commanders, R. B. Heuchan, A. C. Rasberry, G. C. Rose.

Representative, R. W. Finley. Alternate, Smith Vaughn.

James A. Dollans Post No. 383, Mountain View.

Post Commander, J. F. Debord.

Past Post Commanders, Mathias Kanaga, Jno. H. Webb, Thos. J. Pearson.

Representative, Jno. H. Ferguson. Alternate, Wm. H. Webb.

Dawn Post No. 384, Osceola.

Post Commander, W. N. Goldsberry.

Past Post Commanders, Jas. M. Pugh, Jas. H. Reading.

Representatives, *A. J. Thompson, A. B. Prock.

Alternates, W. H. Carpenter, Jno. R. Young.

Long Lane Post No. 385, Long Lane.

Post Commander, W. J. McArron. No report.

Albert Harrison Post No. 386, Climax Springs.

Post Commander, S. W. Crocker.

Past Post Commander, S. W. Crocker.

Representatives, Enoch Kendall, Jas. Fidler.

Alternates, Jno. Vogel, J. K. Larrimore.

Marceline Post No. 387, Marceline.

Post Commander, J. A. Smith.

Past Post Commanders, J. A. Smith, B. W. Lane, J. S. Davis, J. D.

Bush.

Representative, S. S. Whitesel. Alternate, G. H. Stout.

Geo. E. Wells Post No. 389, Lucerne.

Post Commander, H. S. Wells.

Past Post Commanders, D. W. Lowry, J. P. Curry.

Representative, E. W. Howard. Alternate, S. L. Wells.

Jacob Yount Post No. 390, Yount.

Post Commander, Peter A. N. Beck.

Past Post Commanders, Henry Yount, H. J. Murray.

Representative, A. J. Smith. Alternate, A. Johnson.

Pike Post No. 391, Bowling Green.

Post Commander, Wm. M. Keith.

Past Post Commanders, G. A. Wetherell, W. H. Tinker, E. J. Preston, F. M. Springer.

Representative, Geo. W. Bell. Alternate, Jno. P. McElroy.

South West City Post No. 392, South West City.

Post Commander, S. G. Sutter.

Past Post Commander, S. G. Sutter.

Representative, G. M. Johnson. Alternate, J. C. Seabourn.

Capt. J. A. Bowers Post No. 393, Milford.

Post Commander, W. H. Cones.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Winter, *Chas. Pierce.

Representative, *Jno. Middleton. Alternate, *W. H. Sandlin.

Lieut. Wm. Brawner Post No. 394, Patton.

Post Commander, Marion Johnson.

Past Post Commander, James C. Steakley.

Representative, Jos. Hicks. Alternate, Jas. M. Knowles.

Andrew Chester Post No. 395, Oronogo.

Post Commander, *Chas. E. Elliott.

Past Post Commanders, Isaac Fountain, Chas. J. Hubbell.

Representative, *Thos. J. Crosby. Alternate, J. G. Leidy.

Brookline Post No. 397, Brookline.

Post Commander, J. R. Gammon.

Past Post Commanders, J. R. Gammon, J. A. Harris, J. M. Simes.

Representative, J. N. Hosey. Alternate, Nicholas Potter.

Phil. Sheridan Post No. 398, Walnut Grove.

Post Commander, R. N. Leith.

Past Post Commanders, J. R. McDonald, Jesse Griffin, S. A. J. Malicoat.

Representative, *S. F. Redman. Alternate, T. D. Dotson.

Capt. L. F. Bierwirth Post No. 402, Cape Girardeau.

Post Commander, E. H. Goodchilds.

Past Post Commanders, *Chas. Hunter, E. H. Goodchilds.

Representative, A. Williams. Alternate, Jas. Conner.

Geo. Long Post No. 403, Cave Spring.

Post Commander, W. C. Wadlow.

Past Post Commanders, W. C. Wadlow, I. N. Huston, W. G. Julian.

Representative, D. H. Odell. Alternate, J. P. Julian.

Cavalry Post No. 404, Clarksdale.

No report.

Durbin Ward Post No. 405, Pickering.

Post Commander, J. M. Ashford.

Past Post Commanders, Jas. Devoir, D. Laughlin, E. R. Williams.

Representative, M. B. W. Harman. Alternate, Thos. B. Hogue.

Corporal Doke Post No. 406, Garrison.

Post Commander, J. W. James.

Past Post Commanders, V. S. Brown, P. Devereux, R. C. Martin.

Representative, G. W. King. Alternate, J. L. Hadley.

Conway Post No. 407, Conway.

Post Commander, Thos. Anderson.

Representative, *Wm. H. Pender.

Col. Krekel Post No. 408, St. Peters.

Post Commander, Fred. Grabenhorst.

Representative, W. C. Dyer.

Jno. Shelton Post No. 409, Palace.

Post Commander, John Maurer.

Past Post Commanders, W. H. Kershner, W. E. Gaston, John Maurer.

Representative, B. W. Johnson. Alternate, J. Woodward.

Jno. H. Kendall Post No. 410, Brazito.

Post Commander, H. J. Miller.

Past Post Commander, P. M. Musick.

Representative, Jno. C. Carmichael. Alternate, Preston Roark.

Capt. Kelso Post No. 411, Astoria.

Post Commander, B. F. Lathram.

Past Post Commanders, Henry Driesel, C. M. McGuire, C. C. Haggard.

Representative, Louis S. Fisk. Alternate, F. N. Bennett.

Downing Post No. 412, Newark.

Post Commander, S. G. Kaylor.

Past Post Commanders, B. F. Snider, Geo. Stone.

Representative, B. Frampton. Alternate, Jno. S. Aden.

Richland Post No. 413, Dora.

Post Commander, Wm. H. McCumba. No report.

David Hewitt Post No. 414, Louisburg.

Post Commander, Wm. K. Jump.

Past Post Commanders, James H. Karr, G. F. Goll.

Representative, S. W. Lindsey. Alternate, Jno. Hackney.

Capt. Jos. Dunlap Post No. 415, Humphreys.

No report.

Tiff City Post No. 416, Tiff City.

Post Commander, A. W. Gillum.
Past Post Commanders, DeWitt C. Hopkins, Caleb M. Hurley,
Benj. Smith.
Representative, B. F. Smith.

Smithton Post No. 417, Smithton.

Post Commander, G. C. Page.
Past Post Commanders, Wm. F. Stewart, J. A. Stober.
Representative, Jas. P. Hook.

Serg't Clay Shaw Post No. 418, Sedalia.

Post Commander, Harrison White.
Past Post Commanders, Jno. W. Walker, Harrison White.
Representative, Henry Tucker. Alternate, Edward Simpson.

Walden Emory Post No. 419, Decaturville.

Post Commander, Alex. A. Hogue.
Past Post Commander, T. B. Rucker.
Representative, T. D. Farmer. Alternate, W. W. Carter.

Fred. Roether Post No. 420, Montgomery City.

Post Commander, J. H. Peveler.
Past Post Commanders, L. A. Thompson, T. M. Johnson.
Representative, J. K. Rodgers. Alternate, W. C. Peveler.

Capt. Bradway Post No. 421, Crocker.

Post Commander, J. W. Tallman.
Past Post Commanders, L. W. Lawson, Hiram Haines, Jno. B.
Galbraith.
Representative, T. B. Stockton. Alternate, J. W. Henderson.

J. B. Dorr Post No. 422, Newtown.

Post Commander, L. W. Collins. No report.

Florence Post No. 423, Florence.

Post Commander, Jno. G. Baker. No report.

Col. A. J. Webber Post No. 424, Wakenda.

Post Commander, W. S. Snow.
Past Post Commanders, Jacob Orender, W. S. Snow.
Representative, *W. H. Merrill. Alternate, Jno. A. Maloy.

Lieut. Wm. Hawkins Post No. 425, Brumley.

Post Commander, D. Robinett.
Past Post Commanders, W. L. Dial, J. M. Hawkins.
Representative, Samuel Graham. Alternate, G. B. Winfrey.

Hunnewell Post No. 426, Hunnewell.

Post Commander, Henry Nowe.

Past Post Commanders, *G. B. Sherry, Jesse Hickman.

Representative, *B. Van Dyke. Alternate, Jno. Witherup.

Jno. C. Culver Post No. 427, Sue City.

Post Commander, Jno. Mettes.

Representative, L. W. Garrison. Alternate, Wm. B. Bowen.

Thos. Gordon Post No. 428, Polo.

Post Commander, R. Hutchings.

Past Post Commander, W. H. Griggs.

Representative, John Zekel. Alternate, H. Mount.

Jno. V. Hoover Post No. 429, Elkland.

Post Commander, J. H. Davison.

Past Post Commanders, J. W. Elliott, W. Z. Haynes, J. H. Davison.

Representative, Jno. Letterman. Alternate, G. K. Whitson.

Holt Post No. 430, Craig.

No report.

Jos. L. Wray Post No. 431, Egypt Mills.

Post Commander, Jacob Rubel.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. M. Brown, Fred. Hahn.

Representative, Louis Schwettman. Alternate, Jno. C. Koeppl.

Columbia Post No. 432, Columbia.

Post Commander, Jno. F. Akins.

Past Post Commanders, Elias Norris, Levi Hickam.

Representative, Preston Roberts. Alternate, Peter Hayden.

David D. Porter Post No. 433, Mountain Grove.

Post Commander, J. A. Mitchell.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. P. Hughes, J. A. Mitchell.

Representative, Wm. H. Schofield. Alternate, *D. M. Smith.

J. B. Wicker Post No. 434, Richland.

Post Commander, A. A. Keys.

Past Post Commanders, A. Rutherford, L. P. Chalfant, Jas. A. Bradshaw, J. E. Harrison, Lewis Goss.

Representative, G. B. Shubert. Alternate, J. E. Harrison.

Thos. Shelton Post No. 435, Gehm.

Post Commander, ————

Past Post Commanders, Jeff. Davis, Geo. Fisher.

Representative, L. P. Davis. Alternate, N. S. Wyckoff.

Jos. A. Mower Post No. 436, Hartville.

Post Commander, Enos Wiseman. No report.

Simon Cameron Post No. 437, Cross Timbers.

Post Commander, Jno. M. Kennedy.

Past Post Commanders, E. T. Moore, Jno. M. Kennedy.

Representative, Jno. Crosgrove. Alternate, Wm. J. Mawhiney.

Quincy Post No. 438, Quincy.

No report.

C. M. Anderson Post No. 439, Advance.

Post Commander, Wm. L. Tillman.

Past Post Commanders, J. F. Rees, M. L. Crabtree, M. C. Bratton,
Chris. Ulrich.

Representative, F. M. Allen. Alternate, Wm. L. Tillman.

Gen. Hazen Post No. 440, Foster.

No report.

Alton Post No. 441, Alton.

Post Commander, Jno. Bortzfield.

Past Post Commanders, J. A. Rice, Jno. Bortzfield.

Representative, Jesse Nasalrod. Alternate, Seth B. Bales.

Hume Post No. 442, Hume.

Post Commander, J. K. Dickinson.

Past Post Commander, T. V. Crail.

Representative, A. Hoffsass. Alternate, G. Mikesell.

Elwood Miller Post No. 444, St. Louis.

Post Commander, V. B. Stevenson.

Past Post Commanders, Madison Miller, David Purdy.

Representative, A. P. Provost. Alternate, Wm. Miner.

Capt. Gid. T. Potter Post No. 445, Steelville.

No report.

Obediah Gray Post No. 446, Moody.

No report.

Capt. Bauer Post No. 447, Berger.

Post Commander, H. Frillman.

Past Post Commanders, G. W. Schmitt, H. Frillman.

Representative, Peter Albietz. Alternate, Wm. Luethe.

Fair Grove Post No. 449, Fair Grove.

Post Commander, J. W. Cecil. No report.

D. Reeves Post No. 450, Smithville.

No report.

Dexter Post No. 451, Dexter.

No report.

Tipton Post No. 452, Tipton.

Post Commander, *J. C. Shackelford.

Past Post Commander, Eli Fisher.

Representative, Jeff. Moore.

E. E. Kimball Post No. 453, Middletown.

Post Commander, J. A. James.

Past Post Commanders, J. W. Mahaffey, E. W. Pritchett, R. M. Hendershott.

Representative, *W. H. Graham. Alternate, W. J. Cunningham.

Calhoun Post No. 454, Calhoun.

Post Commander, B. F. Sims.

Past Post Commander, R. G. Hardin.

Representative, J. H. Brown. Alternate, G. H. Campbell.

McClain Post No. 455, Centretown.

Post Commander, T. A. Greenup.

Past Post Commander, *Jas. Streit.

Representative, Jas. Cullen.

DeKalb Post No. 456, DeKalb.

Post Commander, Jno. F. Barnes.

Past Post Commanders, Z. Crumpacker, Geo. W. Ogden, Wm. H. Warren.

Representative, Harrison Barnes. Alternate, Josiah Wilson.

Warren T. Stewart Post No. 457, Benton.

Post Commander, Geo. E. Clark.

Past Post Commanders, L. L. Proffitt, G. Y. Guthrie, B. F. Finley.

Representative, Jas. W. Trimble. Alternate, Wm. H. Black.

Col. J. P. Brownlow Post No. 458, Phelps.

Post Commander, J. L. Hayworth.

Past Post Commanders, T. C. Wootten. D. J. Griswold, O. H. Graham.

Representative, Wm. Thomas. Alternate, E. Oliver.

Jno. Whaling Post No. 459, St. Joseph.

Post Commander, *Henry Debell.

Past Post Commander, *Preston Taylor.

Representative, W. Curby. Alternate, L. Lock.

Capt. J. S. Robb Post No. 461, Jenkins.

Post Commander, H. O. Cornman.
 Past Post Commander, G. R. King.
 Representative, James Gooding.

Lieut. Ephraim Gaither Post No. 462, Aurora.

Post Commander, Geo. W. Sheeks.
 Past Post Commanders, Jno. W. Bailey, D. K. Bigelow, Wm. Heagerty, Geo. W. Sheeks.
 Representative, Fred. King. Alternate, James McNatt.

Rob't Taylor Post No. 463, Odessa.

Post Commander, C. G. Gaston.
 Past Post Commanders, A. M. Stanfield, Geo. W. Wakeman, J. M. McBurney.
 Representative, Edward Evers. Alternate, Vincent Gillen.

Capt. Mace Post No. 464, Centerville.

No report.

Louis Duemler Post No. 465, St. Clair.

Post Commander, Jos. A. Moore.
 Past Post Commanders, Philip Briegleb, *Wm. Hickinbotham.
 Representative, W. H. Moore. Alternate, Philip Briegleb.

Vandalia Post No. 466, Vandalia.

Post Commander, W. C. Shattuck.
 Representative, *F. A. Bratcher. Alternate, W. O. Barnett.

Seamon Post No. 467, Harris.

No report.

Maj. Leonard Post No. 468, Higbee.

Post Commander, Elijah Ancell.
 Past Post Commander, L. A. Hulett.
 Representative, J. W. Floyd. Alternate, Jas. Hargis.

Lieut. Brooks Post No. 469, Ashland.

Post Commander, D. P. J. Dozier.
 Past Post Commanders, Jno. C. Wilkening, Nathaniel Maze.
 Representative, Jas. D. Duane. Alternate, T. O. Crane.

Gen. Geo. D. Crook Post No. 470, Slater.

No report.

Ethel Post No. 471, Ethel.

Post Commander, John S. King.
 Past Post Commander, J. B. Davenport.
 Representative, Jno. O. Davis. Alternate, Jno. O. Tabor.

Callaway Post No. 472, Fulton.

Post Commander, J. L. Erwin.

Past Post Commanders, Eli Townsend, J. L. Erwin.

Representative, Sam'l F. Lukens. Alternate, J. Christian Fischer.

L. W. Weathermon Post No. 473, Clyde.

Post Commander, O. P. Bogart.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. P. Craig, Frank A. Enis.

Representative, *A. N. Heagen. Alternate, Jas. Smith.

Sheldon Post No. 474, Sheldon.

No report.

Gov. Andrew Post No. 475, Birch Tree.

Post Commander, E. I. Meeker. No report.

Col. Parkinson Post No. 476, Springfield.

Post Commander, Shady Wilson.

Sumner Post No. 477, New Cambria.

Post Commander, Elijah Collins.

Past Post Commanders, Hector Evans, Jas. Murphy.

Representative, Jesse McKinney. Alternate, Jno. Bacon.

New Union Post No. 478, Gamburg.

Post Commander, W. J. Chin.

Past Post Commander, J. J. Thomas.

Representative, T. E. Osburn. Alternate, T. G. D. Maxey.

T. R. Lane Post No. 479, Montreal.

Post Commander, J. L. Winfrey. No report.

Green Hampton Post No. 480, Protem.

Post Commander, W. H. Aubrey.

Past Post Commanders, C. C. Owen, Jos. Henson.

Goulding Post No. 481, Buckhart.

Post Commander, Geo. T. Graham.

Past Post Commanders, S. H. Cooper, Geo. T. Graham.

Representative, Alois Bell.

Jno. C. Fremont Post No. 482, Norris.

Post Commander, Luther Cook.

Past Post Commanders, *W. G. Smith, Ervin Crist.

Representative, Jno. A. Rush. Alternate, J. M. Vance.

W. D. Porter Post No. 484, Hendrickson.

Post Commander, J. N. Chatman.
 Representative, Jno. B. Davison. Alternate, Jos. Porch.

Geo. B. McClellan Post No. 485, Pacific.

Post Commander, C. Marshall.
 Past Post Commanders, Philip McGregor, C. Marshall.
 Representative, Joseph Bell. Alternate, Nathan Biggs.

C. S. Conover Post No. 486, Bonne Terre.

No report.

Dillard Bell Post No. 487, Elmer.

No report.

L. Stevenson Post No. 488, Pocahontas.

Post Commander, A. Reck.
 Representative, Wm. C. Miller. Alternate, H. Richardson.

Maj. Ennis Post No. 489, Greentop.

Post Commander, J. P. Wright.
 Past Post Commanders, Ed. C. Shain, R. H. Toler, G. W. Rolston.
 Representative, G. R. Voorheis. Alternate, G. W. Wales.

W. W. Leggett Post No. 490, Ash.

Post Commander, Jos. T. Lokey.
 Representative, J. D. Riley. Alternate, J. W. Frazier.

Eagle Post No. 492, Monett.

No report.

Freeland Post No. 493, Hardin.

Post Commander, Jas. Coslett. No report.

Jas. H. Fort Post No. 494, Greencastle.

Post Commander, Job Doze.
 Representative, M. Hare. Alternate, Oscar Addison.

E. D. Brown Post No. 495, Lead Mine.

Post Commander, Geo. W. McPheeters.
 Past Post Commander, Alfred Gould.
 Representative, D. T. Denny. Alternate, Leonard Pope.

Col. Meumann Post No. 496, St. Louis.

Post Commander, C. V. Bisser.
 Past Post Commanders, Jos. Litteneker, W. A. Heineman, Jere. F. Young, Chas. Totsch, J. P. Keller, *Chas. Bieger.
 Representatives, *Chas. Winter, Jos. Reith, *Fred. Flentje.
 Alternates, R. A. Bisser, *Fred. Schroll, Henry Dierker.

Maj. Montgomery Post No. 498, Ardeola.

Post Commander, L. Rhoades.
 Past Post Commander, Jno. W. Stewart.
 Representative, Jesse Jennings.

Jno. S. Miller Post No. 499, Guilford.

Post Commander, B. F. Moler.
 Past Post Commander, L. G. Hinkle.
 Representative, Jno. V. Weathermon.

Kinney Lucas Post No. 500, Ardmore.

Post Commander, Jno. S. White.
 Past Post Commanders, Sam'l Riley, G. W. Dinsmore.
 Representative, Thos. Walter. Alternate, W. R. Green.

Servant Parker Post No. 501, Chillicothe.

No report.

Daniel Dawson Post No. 502, Salisbury.

Post Commander, R. A. Roberts. No report.

Monroe Lee Post No. 504, Golden.

Post Commander, Richard Tucker.
 Past Post Commanders, Chas. L. E. Simonis, J. M. Smith.
 Representative, Jos. McCulloch. Alternate, W. A. Phillips.

Col. P. Cornyn Post No. 505, Chamois.

Post Commander, Wm. Barchard.
 Representative, G. W. Tanter, Alternate, Jno. Thompson.

Jno. Tietjens Post No. 506, Indian Grove.

Post Commander, B. J. Edemann.
 Past Post Commanders, *Jno. W. Blume, David Longsdorf.
 Representative, *J. Wesley Isle. Alternate, Martin O. Stoner.

Maj. Worthington Post No. 507, Shell Knob.

Post Commander, Wm. Ledgerwood.
 Past Post Commander, W. W. Smith.
 Representative, M. Cron. Alternate, F. A. James.

Jno. Brown Post No. 508, Salisbury.

No report.

Isaac Smith Post No. 509, Brunswick.

Post Commander, Minor Piery. No report.

Whitesville Post No. 510, Whitesville.

Post Commander, A. J. Agee.
 Past Post Commander, Harvey Cline.
 Representative, Milton Crockett. Alternate, J. S. Peters.

Gen. Buford Post No. 511, Louisiana.

Post Commander, Geo. Templeton.
 Representative, Wm. P. Matthews. Alternate, Neptune Scott.

Harrison A. Gleim Post No. 512, Tipton.

Post Commander, Jacob Reider.
 Past Post Commanders, David Schwenk, Jacob Reider.
 Representative, Wm. H. Bynon. Alternate, *Jos. Evans.

Wm. Burris Post No. 513, Glasgow.

Post Commander, Jno. Turner. No report.

Jesse Turnage Post No. 514, Rayville.

Post Commander, O. F. Carpenter.
 Past Post Commander, Thos. Hankins.
 Representative, Jas. A. Elliott. Alternate, F. M. Hinds.

Liberal Post No. 515, Liberal.

Post Commander, *A. W. Hefton.
 Representative, Jno. G. Mayer. Alternate, Geo. Hesford.

John H. Crenshaw Post No. 516, Carterville.

Post Commander, *J. W. Campbell.
 Past Post Commander, *J. C. Raleigh.
 Representative, *S. G. Franklin. Alternate, S. B. Hanna.

Parnell City Post No. 517, Parnell City.

Post Commander, W. O. P. Kever. No report.

Jno. Martin Post No. 519, Tuscumbia.

Post Commander, Ira T. Johnson. No report.

F. M. Slagle Post No. 520, Exeter.

Post Commander, *J. W. Daniel.
 Past Post Commander, Jeremiah Miller.
 Representative, D. F. Wolford. Alternate, Chas. Miles.

Papinsville Post No. 521, Papinsville.

Post Commander, Jno. W. Porter.
 Representative, *T. H. Tipton.

Duncan Post No. 522, Bowling Green.

Post Commander, A. G. McFarland.
 Representative, Richard McPike. Alternate, Collins South

Thos. M. Boun's Post No. 523, Gorin.

Post Commander, J. L. Rounds.

Past Post Commander, Hilary Tucker.

Representative, T. J. Givens. Alternate, Virgil Pults.

Drexel Post No. 524, Drexel.

Post Commander, D. B. Ormiston.

Representative, L. W. Smith. Alternate, Wm. L. Ellison.

Geo. W. Murphy Post No. 525, Cowgill.

Post Commander, J. N. Michael.

Past Post Commanders, J. E. Kelly, G. W. Cones, A. F. McCray.

Representative, Geo. W. Davis. Alternate, A. C. Henkins.

Geo. W. Walker Post No. 526, Darlington.

Post Commander, J. A. Malson. No report.

Boone County Post No. 527, Columbia.

Post Commander, Jas. A. Adams. No report.

Max. Latimore Post No. 528, Downing.

Post Commander, Oscar Skidmore. No report.

Ben. Lewis Post No. 529, Glasgow.

No report.

Adj. Pratt Post No. 530, Mexico.

No report.

Belmont Post No. 531, Bolckow.

Post Commander, Sheldon Atkins. No report.

Flag Springs Post No. 532, Flag Springs.

Post Commander, D. Bonham. No report.

Capt. Jno. Turney Post No. 533, Plattsburg.

Post Commander, L. V. Porter.

Representative, Hugh Flood. Alternate, Asa Norton.

Sergt. Welch Post No. 534, Ponce de Leon.

Post Commander, ——— ———

Past Post Commanders, Jno. A. Gideon, F. T. Welch.

Representative, J. L. Wilson. Alternate, Jas. Flood.

Samuel Warner Post No. 535, Laredo.

Post Comander, Jas. H. Rinker. No report.

Aldrich Post No. 536, Aldrich.

Post Commander, D. M. Dickerson.

Representative, C. T. Massey. Alternate, H. H. Saylor.

Tecumseh Post No. 537, Blackwater.

Post Commander, Elliott Griffith.

Representative, E. Davison. Alternate, Wm. F. Fowlkes.

Isabella Post No. 538, Isabella.

Post Commander, L. D. Haskins.

Tillman Smith Post No. 539, Moberly.

Post Commander, *Peter Turner.

J. H. Heirich Post No. 540, Spring Bluff.

Post Commander, A. J. Gilcrease.

Sewell W. Smith Post No. 541, Edwards.

Post Commander, W. W. Hockman.

PROCEEDINGS
— OF THE —
TWELFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT
— OF THE —
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
— HELD AT —
JOPLIN, MO., APRIL 12TH AND 13TH, 1893.

FIRST DAY, 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Twelfth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, in pursuance of General Orders No. 12, convened at the Club Theatre, Joplin, Mo., April 12th, 1893, at ten o'clock, A. M., and was called to order by Department Commander C. W. Whitehead.

Preceding the formal opening of the Encampment, the Kansas City G. A. R. Quartette, being called for, sang "We will meet again boys;" and being encored, sang "The flag, so good and so true."

The Encampment was formally opened with prayer by Department Chaplain Thomas H. Hagerty:

Our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee that we have been permitted to meet together this beautiful morning in our Annual Encampment under circumstances of so much mercy. We thank Thee that during the past year Thou hast been kind to us, watching over us through all our danger, through all our labors, days and nights. We thank Thee that death has not occurred among the Officers of this Encampment, and that the lives of such a large number of our comrades have been

preserved; and we are, this morning, sustained by the fact that those of our comrades who have dropped from our ranks here have been assembled upon the camp ground above.

We are thankful for the mercies during the past which thou hast bestowed upon the length and breadth of this broad land; and that while death has taken away some of our comrades, yet we thank Thee that such a vast company of men still remain tramping—tramping—onward happily and cheerfully to the final end. We pray for blessings to rest upon our Order as they have in the past; and that we may continue in civil life to stand up for principle, act for high and noble purposes, illustrating by our lives the great principles for which we fought, by personal, noble, upright, industrious, moral lives. We thank Thee, our Heavenly Father, that Thou hast given to the Grand Army of the Republic such a distinguished character for loyalty, for industry, for temperance, and every good principle that surrounds the history of the citizens of this great Republic; and now as we come here this morning for the transaction of business that may come before us we pray that Thy superintending providence may preside, and that every comrade may be guided in listening, in speaking, and in acting, by equity; that our meeting together may be profitable, and that it may make our bonds stronger, binding us together in this Department, and that we may be permitted to pass through the coming year, Thy good providence guiding each one of us, and finally when the battle of life is all over we may hear Thy kind commendation: "Well done Thou good and faithful servants, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

These favors we ask in the name of Christ, our Lord—Amen.

The Department Commander: The Twelfth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, is now open in due form. The first order of business is the calling of the roll of officers.

The roll of officers was called by the Assistant Adjutant General, and the following answered to their names:

Department Commander, C. W. WHITEHEAD.

Junior Vice Department Commander, JNO. P. PLATT.

Medical Director, E. F. LANE.

Chaplain, THOS. H. HAGERTY.

Assistant Adjutant General, THOS. B. RODGERS.

Judge Advocate, CHARLES G. BURTON.

Inspector, WILBUR F. HENRY.

Chief Mustering Officer, S. D. WEBSTER.

Council of Administration, FRANCIS P. BECKER, A. B. PARKELL, JOHN P. TRACY, W. B. ROGERS.

The Department Commander: The Committee on Credentials not being ready to report on account of the delay of trains, therefore we will proceed with the regular order of business, the next of which will be the Reports of Officers.

The Assistant Adjutant General: Commander, as the reports are all printed for the information of the Encampment, I would move that after the reading of the address of the Department Commander, it be referred to a committee of five, and that the reports of the other Department Officers be referred to the usual committees without reading.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

Junior Vice Department Commander Platt took the chair, and the Department Commander read his address to the Encampment, as follows:

ADDRESS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER TWELFTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MO., G. A. R.

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,)
KANSAS CITY, MO., April 11, 1893.)

Comrades:

Our last Annual Encampment was held in the beautiful city of Chillicothe, blessed with comrades and people whose open-handed and open-hearted hospitality challenged the admiration and won the thanks of the many who attended, the encampment being the largest ever held in the State of Missouri; while to-day we meet in this splendid queen of the southwest, the City of Joplin, and here again we meet the same generous hospitality and warm comradeship that made our last Encampment so pleasant. At the outset, we return grateful thanks for the loyal and royal welcome extended.

GROWTH AND CONDITION.

It is a source of congratulation that our Department continues to increase, we having mustered thirteen new Posts with promise of great usefulness, and we have gained in membership by muster over two thousand, while our gains by transfer to us and re-instatement are proportionately large. At the same time it is with deep regret that I have to report that the losses by suspension and dropped members and the loss by death, have more than balanced this gain, so that we end the year with a comradeship slightly reduced from that of the beginning. Full details will appear in the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, which I commend to your careful perusal.

INSPECTION.

At our last Annual Encampment the following recommendation of the Committee on the Report of the Department Inspector was adopted: "That the Department Commander appoint an Assistant Inspector from each Post, other than the Adjutant or Quartermaster, on the recommendation of the Department Inspector, who shall make the inspection of his Post as provided by the rules and regulations." This recommendation has been followed and enforced as far as practicable, but in some cases when Post Commanders failed to report obediently to Department Orders No. 7, it was not practicable for the Department Inspector to make the proper designations of inspecting officers, and in such cases, the installing officer was assigned to that duty as provided by the National Encampment. I am of opinion that either the plans adopted by our Department Encampment or by the National Encampment are productive of equally good results as by the plan followed in former years.

The inspection when made by a comrade of his own Post is likely to be just as faithfully and impartially made as if he were inspecting a Post of which he was not a member. Post officers should be more prompt in making and forwarding the reports required by rules and regulations, thus avoiding a great deal of labor and annoyance to both Department and Post officers. The labor connected with the duties of Department Inspector might be greatly reduced by a careful and prompt performance of their duties by the inspecting officers. For detail and result of inspection, I refer to report of Department Inspector.

RE-UNIONS.

The experience of the year has demonstrated the value of soldiers' re-unions in building up our order. At these re-unions the old soldiers and sailors meet with us, are brought into contact with their old comrades and feel again, with them the glow, fervor and enthusiasm that stirred them in youth to join in the grand work of saving the Union, and leads them to the Post room and membership. To this cause I attribute much of the magnificent growth by muster in the past year, and I cannot too highly commend and urge all proper support from our comrades to such re-unions. In this connection, too, I recommend open meetings of the Post, a kind of re-union that brings within patriotic influence such old soldiers and sailors as may thereby be reached and induced to join the order.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

In point of numbers, magnificence and enthusiasm, no National Encampment has ever equaled that held in Washington City in September last. The old boys were once more at the Nation's Capital, marching and countermarching on smoothest asphalt pavement through the same streets and avenues, the mud and dust of which, their boyish

feet had trodden thirty years before. Eighty thousand comrades were in line and it required over eight hours for the procession to pass a given point. To see and be among the veterans sweeping into and down Pennsylvania Avenue "like a majestic sea" in humble imitation of the grand review of 1865, was not only soul-inspiring, but aroused in every comrade's bosom sentiments of honest pride and patriotism never to be forgotten; while to the rising generation it was the great object lesson of this decade.

Among the lions of the occasion was Co. A, 3d Regiment, Missouri National Guards, of Kansas City, the only Military Co. in line, and permitted there because made up exclusively of veterans of the war, and being fully uniformed, armed, equipped and drilled in the old, old way, it was magnificent. This Company with the Kansas City Division composed of comrades of the several Posts of Kansas City was the special escort of the Department Commander, and for their kind service he desires now to return his thanks.

But the greatest object of interest in the parade was with the Department of Ohio, marching on foot in the ranks being no less a personage than Major General Rutherford B. Hayes, Ex-President of the United States. Cheers and tears greeted the stalwart form of this venerable man, who, in thus touching elbows and keeping step with his old comrades once more, forgot all other high honors, and remembered only his highest honor—that he was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. Among other lions in the parade appeared also Major General Benjamin F. Butler, the first Major General of Volunteers appointed by President Lincoln, who, too old and enfeebled to march with the boys, rode in a carriage; his appearance everywhere was greeted with tremendous applause. Alas, we shall never again see their faces, nor listen to their words of wisdom, for both Hayes and Butler have since obeyed the order for final muster out, and are now in the silent camp beyond the river.

While the Department Commander was justly proud of the display made by the Department of Missouri, yet he feels that much of the credit for its splendid showing was due to the large attendance and soldierly appearance of the St. Louis Posts. Other Departments turned out elaborately decorated with ribbons, badges and gewgaws, but the comrades of this Department appeared without adornment, save that highest and best old soldier's ornament—the plain Grand Army badge. General John W. Noble, a comrade of this Department, who witnessed the parade from the reviewing stand, said publicly "I am particularly proud that Missouri was the first State to receive three cheers from the occupants of the President's stand."

THE FLAG.

The Department Commander has noted with great pleasure during the last year the general movement by the Posts throughout the State

to carry out the recommendation of Past Commander-in-Chief William Warner, that the flag should be placed, and kept waving over all public school buildings.

In a large number of instances, and notably in the large cities and towns this has been done, comrades everywhere taking the deepest interest and joining in the exercises. By this means we bring before the children in the public schools an object lesson in patriotism most impressive, commendable and of lasting influence. It is hoped that this practice will continue and spread until our flag—"Old Glory"—shall be found floating over every public school in the Department.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

It is with much pleasure that I report the flourishing and prosperous condition of the Woman's Relief Corps in this Department. Now, as in the time of the war, the women are doing their full share in the work of preserving this a nation, teaching lessons of patriotism and leading in those commendable charities that make the Grand Army and its auxiliary, the Relief Corps, a necessity and a blessing. It is especially pleasing to me to mention and commend the efforts of the Relief Corps in the direction of providing a *Home*, within the Department, for deserving and destitute honorably discharged soldiers and sailors and their wives.

SONS OF VETERANS.

The Sons of Veterans are in a fairly prosperous condition and their last Department Encampment at Carthage, which I attended, was one of the largest and most enthusiastic yet held. It was noticeable that the attendance of your Department Commander and Staff, in part, was highly appreciated by the boys, which leads me to remark that every comrade would find pleasure and profit in giving more attention to these, our heirs and successors. They will be encouraged and strengthened by your attendance and interest, and certainly they need and deserve the best at our hands.

RELIEF.

The demand for relief on the part of our unfortunate comrades has been increasing and I am happy to say has been better met than heretofore. Relief committees have been formed in the large cities and the work systematized so that deserving cases are cared for and imposition avoided. I commend this system and hope it may extend until it embraces all the larger cities and towns of this Department. The chief advantage of this system is that the relief being under one management, frauds and impostors are sure of detection, and deserving cases certain of proper attention.

THE SHERMAN MONUMENT.

The recommendation in General Orders No. 11 of this Department, issued December 22, 1892, covering the subject of the Sherman monument fund, are being carried out and it is hoped will eventuate in raising all the money necessary to that end. As General William T. Sherman was not only second in rank to that silent, modest Commander who reached the summit of a soldier's fame at Appomattox, but was loved most by those who knew him best, and for years lived in and at last died as a comrade of this Department, it would be but a fitting tribute to his memory to have such a monument erected within the borders of our own State.

DEATHS.

The official reports show that 341 of our comrades in this Department died during the past year, being an increase of twenty-six over those of the preceding year. As the drifting years, like thistle down, go glittering out of sight, so must this percentage of death rate ever continue increasing, until the last soldier of the Republic is mustered out of life. See to it that proper services are had at the funeral of every dead comrade.

MEMORIAL DAY.

It is gratifying to know that memorial day is coming to be more generally observed each succeeding year. Little, if anything, new can be suggested on this subject. All comrades feel and think and act alike as to its observance; all know the importance of keeping alive in the hearts of those who shall come after us, the lesson which that day teaches. We are "dropping from the ranks one by one," comrades. The tribute of love which we annually pay to the memory of our departed comrades, will likewise be paid to our memory by those who shall survive us, so long as even one old soldier can hobble to the cemetery with one sweet flower of May. This thought should stimulate every comrade to take an active part in the patriotic exercises of the day, for if we but do our duty in this regard, then will this beautiful custom with its valuable lesson be kept up by our children's children, ages after the last survivor of the war of the Rebellion shall have passed away.

SUSPENSIONS.

With profound regret the Department Commander notes the many suspensions for non-payment of dues. True, the organization cannot be maintained without a little money; but a comrade who faithfully served his country in war, and has an honorable record in peace, should not be denied the privileges, pleasures and advantages of our order, simply because *he is too poor to pay his dues*; and it is hoped that each Post will take such action as will materially decrease suspensions on this ground.

FINANCES.

The financial report, to which special attention is called, appearing in the Assistant Quartermaster General's report shows the order in good financial standing, but the Department Commander desires, for security and certainty in the future, to make the following suggestions, viz:

First—That hereafter no loans be made on second mortgages.

Second—That three Trustees be appointed by the Council of Administration, whose special duties shall be to have charge of making and looking after all loans, and all matters connected therewith, if found consistent with our articles of incorporation, and that said first trustees be appointed for one, two and three years respectively, and each year thereafter one be appointed for three years to supply the place of the member whose term expires with that year. I make this recommendation solely for the reason that we annually change our entire Council of Administration; the new council can know but little of the doings of the old; while if three Trustees are appointed as suggested, we will always have at least two members who are thoroughly familiar with all the details of our financial affairs.

CONCLUSION.

The Commander desires to put on record an expression of his thanks and appreciation to the officers of the Department Staff for their valuable, prompt and willing assistance, to which is largely due the successful management of the term now closing. He also desires and takes this means of expressing his thanks and gratitude to the comrades throughout the Department for their loyal support and cordial treatment whenever and wherever he has met them. It has been a source of the greatest pleasure to him, that, during the entire year and in many parts of the State, he has been enabled to meet the comrades in their several Posts and join with them in that bond of union that was "welded in the fire of battle" and to receive everywhere evidences of that fraternity that binds us all together as brothers. He expresses the hope that the same spirit may continue with our organization, that the standard may not be lowered, that we may continue to serve and assist to cheer and comfort each other, to gather in the Post room, sing our songs, exchange our greetings and good fellowship until the sounding of the final Tattoo.

CHARLES W. WHITEHEAD,
Department Commander.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER, }
BRUNSWICK, MO., March 25, 1893.

C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

Dear Comrade: It is my duty, as well as pleasure, to report to you at this time whatever may appear of moment concerning my official acts and duties as Senior Vice Department Commander during the past year. I may state at the outset that I am reminded of the ornamental figure a Lieutenant Colonel holds, when the Colonel is on duty and in active command, and I might add, that my past official career was that of a Lieutenant Colonel, while yours that of an active, energetic, able and patriotic Colonel, always to the front when the fray was high and spirited. In consequence, little was left for me to do but the pleasant duty to follow where you led, ready and willing to aid when opportunity afforded.

I have visited a number of Post meetings and several re-unions and, with the exception of one, have responded to every invitation received during the last year. Of all occasions, the most pleasant was the grand review at our National Capital during the National Encampment. This magnificent parade of patriotic heroes from all parts of the Union, over the historical ground from the Capitol to the White House, recalled vividly to my mind the times when the light hearted and enthusiastic comrades, young in years, yet veterans by experience, marched with elastic, swinging step, behind torn and tattered battle flags; and, with eyes suffused with tears, I gazed upon these noble men who bore witness of the valor displayed, the dangers passed, and the sacrifices required in order to save the Union and to uphold the emblem of all that which is patriotic, good and noble—our starry banner. Emotions felt, but not to be described, made the gray haired veteran step once more to the martial music; caused him to forget the ills and pains contracted in defence of his country, and demonstrated that the heroic past when thus brought back to the senses by the surroundings, had the magic power of banishing the marks of time, and thereby making all, for the moment, “boys” again as in the spring tide of life. Had it not been for the rebellious disposition of the black animal, which had the honor of carrying at the head of the Missouri column our Department Commander, and which failed to yield strict obedience to the dictates

of its honored rider, I would scarcely have realized that twenty years had elapsed since we passed our grand review. To many of us, it was the final grand review. We may meet for years, from time to time, but we shall never again see the display then made. We missed many comrades who responded to the final "long roll call," but we shall miss more from year to year, and it is a mere question of time before the last one of us will stand at permanent "parade rest." Yet, while we are living we should continue to give demonstrations of patriotism and if necessary, stamp out the last remnants of treason, of which, I regret to say, there are still smouldering embers in various localities of our Union.

To my comrades I would say, stand firm; we are still on duty, and our term of service has not expired. Those who have taken a furlough should be called in, close ranks and march forward to victory. Thanking you, Department Commander, and our Assistant Adjutant General and all my comrades for the many courtesies extended to me during my term of office, and wishing all a happy time at our State Encampment, I remain,

Very fraternally in F., C. and L.,

LOUIS BENECKE,

Senior Vice Department Commander.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
OFFICE OF JUNIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER, }
KINGSTON, MO., March 16, 1893.

C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

Dear Comrade: According to custom, and in line with the rules and regulations of the G. A. R., I submit to you a brief report of what I have accomplished during the year in my feeble way, for the good of our noble order:

As the year is drawing to a close, I look back over the twelve months last past with considerable pride, for the reason our Department has not, in interest, lost any of its old-time enthusiasm, but has stood second to none in all of its relations to the "National Encampment." During the year I attended a three days' re-union at Polo, Mo.; also a five days' re-union at Chillicothe, Mo., and a three days' re-union at Salem, Dent Co., Mo., and have visited quite a number of Posts throughout the Department. And at all these gatherings of the old soldiers and their wives and children and their friends (and there were thousands of them), but one spirit prevailed and that was loyalty to the flag and country; and I found in attending these gatherings that a great opportunity was offered, and took advantage of the same, in recruiting for the Posts, and particularly I noticed it at Salem, in Dent Co., where there was one of the most successful re-unions I ever attended, and many were gathered into the Posts in the Ozark region in consequence of its success.

Comrade Louis Fischer, President of the Ozark Battalion Re-union Association had the management of the affair, and to say he did it successfully, and to the credit of the comrades and himself, was particularly noticed and heartily expressed by all present.

I also attended the National Encampment at Washington, D. C., and was present at all the official sessions, and on the route to the Capital, we will not forget the kindness and courtesy shown us by the Department Officers and all those that accompanied us on the headquarter train. We took part in the grand parade and did what we could in assisting to make as grand a showing as possible, and as I noticed on the line the Missouri Department received its share of praise and enthusiastic applause.

A few weeks ago I visited an open meeting of Custer Post, at St. Joseph, Mo.; speaking, recitations and Grand Army songs were the order of the evening. There was a large attendance, and an enjoyable time was had; also visited Blair Post and headquarters at St. Louis during the summer and was delighted with the visit and will not forget the favors shown me by our kind and obliging Assistant Adjutant General, Thos. B. Rodgers.

I have during the year in my visits to the different Posts, found that the officers and members take a great interest in the work, and are using every means to get those on the outside to join our ranks. Thanking the comrades for the honor bestowed upon me the last year and the magnificent reception they have given me, in all my visits throughout the Department, and also congratulating you, Commander, upon the success of your administration, and also thanking you for the courtesy shown me in many ways during the year, I am,

Respectfully yours in F., C. and I.,

JOHN P. PLATT,
Junior Vice Department Commander.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL
AND ASSISTANT QUARTER MASTER
GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
St. Louis, Mo., April 10, 1893.

C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

Comrade: In accordance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit my report of the business of this office, and the condition of the Department for the year 1892.

The total number of Posts, December 31, 1891, was 454. Of this number, two Posts, 156 and 448, were remaining suspended.

The charters of six Posts were annulled by the Department Commander, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, at the meeting of the last Department Encampment, as follows: Posts 143, 156, 165, 259, 267 and 353. The following six Posts have surrendered their charters during the year, viz: Posts 15, 193, 196, 205, 460 and 491. A total loss of twelve Posts. Three of these Posts have consolidated with other Posts.

Fifteen new Posts were mustered during the year 1892, being a net gain of three Posts, making the total number of Posts, December 31, 1893, 457, one of which, Post 448, is remaining suspended. Three Posts have been mustered since January 1, 1893. The number of new Posts mustered since the last Department Encampment is twelve, as will appear from the report of the Chief Mustering Officer.

The following is an abstract of the consolidated reports as made to National Headquarters for the year 1892:

FIRST TERM, SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 1892.		
Number in good standing, December 31, 1891.....		21,038
Gain by muster	1,254	
" transfer	283	
" reinstatement	415	1,952
		22,990
Loss by death	172	
" honorable discharge.....	54	
" transfer.....	317	
" suspension	1,168	
" dishonorable discharge.....	1	
" delinquent reports.....	186	1,898
		21,092
Number in good standing, June 30, 1892.....		21,092

SECOND TERM, SIX MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

Gain by muster.....	820	
“ transfer	274	
“ reinstatement	220	1,314
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		22,406
Loss by death	169	
“ honorable discharge	60	
“ transfer	355	
“ suspension	1,408	
“ delinquent reports.....	61	2,053
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Number in good standing, December 31, 1892.....		20,353

RECAPITULATION.

Number in good standing, December 31, 1891.....		21,038
Gain during year by muster.....	2,074	
“ “ transfer.....	557	
“ “ reinstatement	635	3,266
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		24,304
Loss during year by death	341	
“ “ honorable discharge	114	
“ “ transfer	672	
“ “ suspension	2,576	
“ “ dishonorable discharge.....	1	
“ “ delinquent reports.....	247	3,951
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Number in good standing, December 31, 1892.....		20,353
Number remaining suspended, December 31, 1892..		5,257
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Total number on rolls, December 31, 1892..		25,610
Number of comrades dropped during the year.....		1,040
Number of comrades relieved during the year.....		536
Number of others not comrades relieved during year		240
Amount expended for relief during the year.....	\$ 4,947	67
Total amount of Post funds and property.....		68,184 61
Of which the amount in the relief fund of the		
Posts was		10,190 47
Gain in amount of Post funds, etc		2,426 95
Loss in amount of relief funds		398 59

Since the change in the rules and regulations, by which Posts are not required to maintain a separate relief fund, most of the Posts have transferred their relief fund to the Post fund, and pay for relief from this fund. This accounts for the loss in amount of relief funds.

Notwithstanding the handsome gain during the year of over two thousand recruits by muster, our reports show a loss for the year of over 600 members. This has been caused almost wholly by the sus-

pensions, the number of which was more than 2,500, which is 500 more than in the year preceding. More than forty Posts have more members on the suspended list than they have in good standing, and several have from two to three times as many. This condition of things is not peculiar to our Department, but it should not be allowed to exist. The responsibility for it rests largely with the Posts, and the remedy must be applied by them. The suspended list should be cleared off the Post books each year. The longer suspended comrades are carried, the more difficult becomes their re-instatement. Under the rules and regulations, as lately amended, it is easier to re-instate a dropped comrade than one who is suspended and is several years in arrears. The suspended list is made up largely of three classes: Those who have joined from purely selfish motives; those, who, through negligence, fail to respond to the periodical notices of the Quartermaster, and those who through misfortune are unable to pay their dues. The first class, as soon as they fail to realize on their selfish expectations, cease paying their dues, and have no further use for the Grand Army. These at the first opportunity, after suspension, should be dropped from the rolls. Many of the second class could probably be restored to membership in good standing if proper and systematic efforts were made by the Post officers. In this connection I would suggest that fixing a certain reduced sum by the Posts, on payment of which suspended comrades could be re-instated, would be likely to prove efficacious in many cases. Of the third class, when found worthy, the dues should be remitted. .

Our Department still ranks seventh in point of membership, as shown by the report of the Adjutant General, June 30, 1892, and is entitled to twenty Representatives to the Twenty-seventh National Encampment, in addition to the one at large.

The correspondence of this office is necessarily large, but it might be materially lightened if comrades were posted on the rules and regulations, as it would seem they ought to be at this late period of our organization. From the tenor of many communications, it is apparent, also, that the general orders, which are sent out for the information of the comrades are not as generally read to the Posts as they should be. Post Commanders should make it a point to have all orders and circulars read at the first meeting after they are received.

During the past year over 1,500 letter sheets and nearly 4,000 postal cards have been used in the necessary correspondence with the Posts and comrades. The general orders from National and Department Headquarters, Journals of the National and Department Encampments, the National Countersign and the necessary blanks for all reports have been sent to all the Posts.

The last Department Encampment, on the recommendation of the Council of Administration, offered three prizes to the Posts showing the largest gain in new members for the year 1892.

An examination of the reports show that Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, of St. Louis, is entitled to the first prize (a U. S. regulation silk flag), having gained sixty-eight by muster, three by transfer from other Departments and forty-four by re-instatement from dropped. Total gain, 115.

Col. Meumann Post No. 496, of St. Louis, is entitled to the second prize (a U. S. regulation bunting flag), having gained sixty by muster and two by transfer from other Departments. Total gain, sixty-two.

Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, of St. Louis, is entitled to the third prize (a pair of silk guidons), having gained forty by muster, eight by transfer from other Departments and three by re-instatement from dropped. Total gain, fifty-one.

The flags and guidons have been procured and will be presented at the meeting of the Encampment.

The following named exhibits are attached to and made part of this report:

- Exhibit "A." Receipts and expenditures.
- Exhibit "B." Statement of Supplies.
- Exhibit "C." Department property.
- Exhibit "D." Department assets.
- Exhibit "F." Membership of Posts.

Permit me in closing, Commander, to thank you in this public manner for your kind preference. Our personal and official relations have been of the most agreeable character, and I shall always look back to our association with pleasure. I desire also, through you, to thank all the Department officers and comrades for their uniform courtesy and kindness. The spirit of true comradeship prevails in no Department more strongly than in ours. May it ever be so.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

EXHIBIT "A."

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 1892.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, December 31, 1891.....		\$2,204 52
Received from Per Capita Tax.....	\$4,005 85	
" " Charter Fees	255 00	
" " Requisitions.....	1,555 88	
" " Interest on Loans.....	560 00	6,376 73
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		\$8,581 25

EXPENDITURES.

Supplies:		
Membership Badges.....	\$ 630 00	
Buttoniers	180 00	
Rank Straps.....	74 88	
Books, Blanks, Etc.....	179 85	
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		\$1,064 73
Expenses:		
Rent of Office, Eleven Months.....		462 00
Printing and Stationery		320 22
" Department Proceedings.....		368 41
Salary of Assistant Adjutant General.....		2,000 00
Postage.....		394 32
Per Capita Tax.....		527 78
Relief		109 20
" voted by Encampment to Comrade A. M. Morrill.....		50 00
Inspection		229 49
Engrossing Charters and Commissions		15 20
Badges for Department Encampment.....		48 00
Twenty-sixth National Encampment Expenses		286 00
Twenty-fifth " " "		22 00
Stenographer at Department Encampment....		68 40
Insurance.....		15 50
Framing Pictures.....		10 80
Pigeon Holes		9 75
Two pairs Guidons voted by Encampment....		32 00
Packing Trunk.....		7 50
Office Boy		147 00
Incidentals.....		83 35
Traveling Expenses:		
Department Commander Martin	\$ 22 30	
Assistant Adjutant General Rodgers.....	89 75	112 05
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Balance on hand December 31, 1892.....		\$6,383 70
		2,197 55
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		\$8,581 25

EXHIBIT "B."

STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES PURCHASED, ISSUED AND ON HAND FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1892.

	On Hand Dec. 31, 1891.	Purchased.	Total.	Issued.	On Hand Dec. 31, 1892.	Value of Supplies on Hand.
Membership Badges.....		1,800	1,800	1,668	132	\$ 66 00
Buttoniers.....	22	3,000	3,022	2,909	113	11 30
Rank Straps.....	141	437	578	324	254	88 90
Official Ribbons.....	7	375	382	382		
Rules and Regulations.....	113	300	413	350	63	3 15
Applications.....	367	4,000	4,367	3,984	383	2 30
Adjutants' Order & Record Books.....	29	25	54	42	12	9 00
Cash Books.....	35		35	23	12	9 00
Descriptive Books.....	12	20	32	28	4	3 00
Quartermasters' Receipt Books.....	18	100	118	90	28	14 00
Quartermasters' Warrant Books.....	4	50	54	34	20	15 00
Roll Books.....	11	50	61	21	40	36 00
Black Books.....	15	3	18	18		
Charters.....	16	20	36	18	18	4 50
Discharges.....	61	300	361	226	135	6 75
Transfers.....	105	800	905	814	91	4 55
Leaves of Absence.....	25	400	425	287	138	5 52
Post Odes.....	208	200	408	335	73	1 46
Service Books.....		110	110	86	14	3 50
Rituals.....		52	52	52		
Electrotypes.....	4		4		4	2 00
Blue Books.....	12	12	24	16	8	8 00
War Songs.....	1		1	1		
Certificates of Membership.....	336		336	3	333	82 25
Department Badges.....	427		427	86	341	187 55
Department Badges, Silver Tops.....	53		53	3	50	50 00
						\$ 607 73

EXHIBIT "C."

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY ON HAND.

Desks	2	Packing Trunk	1
Chairs	8	Flag	1
Tables	2	Sword Belts	11
Book Case	1	Letter Scale	1
Case for Blanks	1	Letter Files	24
Case for Supplies	1	Gavels	5
Chest of Drawers	1	Charter, Framed	1
Cases for Pigeon-holes	3	Map of Missouri	1
Letter Press	1	Adj. General's Report of Ills., volumes	8
Official Seal	1	Roster Wisconsin Volunteers, volumes	2
Cuspidor	1	Journal National Encampment, volumes	3
Waste Basket	1	Journal Departm't of Missouri, volumes	2
Carpets	2	History Grand Army of Rep	1
Rug	1	Gazetteer of Missouri	1
Set of Books	3	Portrait Gen. Grant, Framed	1
Water Cooler	1	Portrait Past Departm't Com. Kimball, Framed	1
Scissors	1	Portrait Past Department Com. Phelps, Framed	1
Slide Boxes	512	Other Pictures Framed	4
Letter Books	2		
Dating Stamp	1		
Die for Department Badge	1		
Ink Stands	3		
Department Banner and Case	1		
Pair Stirrups	1		

EXHIBIT "D."

DEPARTMENT ASSETS.

Cash Balance, December 31, 1892	\$ 2,197 55
Amount Invested with Accrued Interest	7,350 23
Office Furniture, etc	700 00
Supplies on hand	607 73
Ledger Balances	61 44
	\$10,916 95

EXHIBIT "E."

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF SUCH POSTS AS HAVE OVERPAID OR WERE
IN ARREARS, DECEMBER 31, 1892.

No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
7	\$ 53 00	\$ 53 50	\$.....	\$0 50	180	\$ 9 90	\$ 10 15	\$.....	\$0 25
16	41 25	41 38	.....	13	181	11 10	11 00	10	.....
19	11 65	11 85	.....	20	184	19 14	17 98	1 16	.....
21	28 50	28 35	15	.....	186	11 42	9 70	1 72	.....
34	11 95	11 90	05	.....	188	6 30	6 70	.....	40
36	8 60	10 90	.....	2 30	190	8 45	8 35	10	.....
41	7 60	8 00	.....	40	194	10 20	10 39	.....	19
42	8 03	8 10	.....	07	197	17 30	17 90	.....	60
44	36 49	37 07	.....	60	201	8 80	8 70	10	.....
49	5 10	5 20	.....	10	203	9 12	8 35	77	.....
51	9 40	10 33	.....	93	206	16 60	15 50	1 10	.....
58	29 80	29 95	.....	15	207	6 82	4 00	2 82	.....
59	2 50	2 85	.....	35	210	16 68	10 50	6 18	.....
72	44 10	44 15	.....	05	211	5 25	5 20	05	.....
73	5 20	5 40	.....	20	212	5 60	6 60	.....	1 00
75	9 95	8 10	1 85	.....	213	6 80	4 80	2 00	.....
76	26 10	25 90	20	.....	216	7 10	7 15	.....	05
79	5 70	6 75	.....	1 05	218	6 85	6 00	85	.....
85	5 40	5 50	.....	10	225	9 80	7 70	2 10	.....
90	4 30	4 20	10	.....	227	5 90	6 20	.....	30
96	16 10	11 20	4 90	.....	229	10 35	9 35	1 00	.....
97	14 07	12 40	1 67	.....	231	5 60	6 02	.....	42
104	8 40	5 10	3 30	.....	233	18 20	18 15	05	.....
115	7 50	8 73	.....	1 23	237	9 40	9 30	10	.....
119	24 65	24 95	.....	30	243	5 95	5 10	85	.....
120	4 95	4 80	15	.....	247	18 93	12 83	6 10	.....
121	4 40	3 60	80	.....	248	8 23	7 30	93	.....
127	5 20	3 37	1 83	.....	249	3 26	3 76	.....	50
129	6 45	6 30	15	.....	251	18 75	18 89	.....	14
130	10 98	9 60	1 38	.....	254	6 90	8 00	.....	1 10
134	18 95	19 00	.....	05	257	7 95	8 45	.....	50
141	9 55	8 70	85	.....	258	5 21	4 06	1 15	.....
142	8 10	8 85	.....	75	262	7 10	6 70	40	.....
145	9 60	9 70	.....	10	263	17 80	17 70	10	.....
146	16 38	13 50	2 88	.....	264	22 60	22 84	.....	24
150	14 00	13 50	50	.....	269	15 60	16 45	.....	85
154	3 50	2 82	68	.....	271	4 60	4 50	10	.....
158	12 50	12 30	20	.....	272	6 60	6 43	17	.....
159	4 97	3 50	1 47	.....	273	28 25	28 30	.....	05
160	6 20	6 30	.....	10	275	3 45	4 20	.....	75
164	9 00	9 12	.....	12	279	4 94	5 14	.....	20
168	14 30	14 10	20	.....	286	8 90	8 10	80	.....
178	16 65	14 25	2 40	.....	291	3 00	1 45	1 55	.....

NOTE.—This Statement does not include the *per capita* tax for the Second Term of 1892, except where it was paid before January 1, 1893. Posts not having reported for the First Term of 1892, or prior, are not included.

No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
292	\$ 12 73	\$ 12 83	\$.....	\$0 10	399	\$ 5 73	\$ 3 53	\$ 2 20	\$.....
293	10 70	10 80	.....	10 403	4 06	2 60	1 46	.....	.....
294	25 06	24 21	85	.....	404	2 30	2 20	10	.....
298	1 80	1 90	.....	10 406	3 10	3 00	10	.....	.....
301	15 40	15 20	20	.....	410	3 90	3 95	.....	05
302	2 35	3 05	.....	70 416	4 65	5 47	.....	82	.....
305	7 50	7 40	10	.....	417	10 00	10 05	.....	05
306	15 40	15 20	20	.....	419	1 90	1 89	10	.....
307	10 11	8 31	1 80	.....	422	4 80	2 60	2 20	.....
310	7 30	7 50	.....	20 423	9 50	9 30	20	.....	.....
312	13 05	13 35	.....	30 424	7 90	7 97	.....	07	.....
314	8 10	9 35	.....	1 25 426	2 40	2 50	.....	10	.....
316	3 80	6 29	.....	2 49 427	2 20	2 50	.....	30	.....
318	2 70	2 80	.....	10 428	3 40	3 30	10	.....	.....
319	3 80	3 35	3 45	.....	430	7 05	6 85	20	.....
320	18 60	18 90	.....	30 432	5 65	5 50	15	.....	.....
323	6 30	6 20	10	.....	433	5 05	5 12	.....	07
324	8 30	8 50	.....	20 436	11 60	12 02	.....	42	.....
327	8 10	7 40	70	.....	441	5 60	5 90	.....	30
328	4 12	2 80	1 32	.....	445	5 45	5 40	05	.....
329	25 85	25 65	20	.....	446	2 50	2 30	20	.....
330	10 93	10 90	03	.....	449	6 10	6 24	.....	14
331	10 40	6 50	3 90	.....	450	3 40	2 75	65	.....
332	24 75	24 65	10	.....	454	5 75	6 25	.....	50
334	5 80	7 07	.....	1 27 457	13 40	13 55	.....	15	.....
336	25 85	25 65	20	.....	459	11 85	12 05	.....	20
337	17 45	17 35	10	.....	461	12 45	9 98	2 47	.....
338	11 25	7 70	3 55	.....	462	8 80	8 90	.....	10
339	22 60	22 50	10	.....	463	10 45	10 35	10	.....
342	8 03	4 50	3 53	.....	468	9 48	9 80	.....	32
347	6 20	6 10	10	.....	474	5 70	5 75	.....	05
350	8 40	7 50	90	.....	479	1 70	1 75	.....	05
356	4 79	3 50	1 29	.....	481	9 40	8 50	96	.....
358	13 75	14 17	.....	42 487	6 85	6 30	55	.....	.....
359	5 50	5 70	.....	20 488	5 10	5 20	.....	10	.....
360	3 85	3 05	80	.....	489	9 66	10 46	.....	80
361	2 50	2 60	.....	10 490	5 40	5 30	10	.....	.....
362	4 40	4 50	.....	10 492	6 40	8 80	.....	2 40	.....
367	1 80	1 60	20	.....	495	9 00	9 20	.....	20
368	4 30	4 12	18	.....	498	5 05	3 55	1 50	.....
374	6 27	7 57	.....	1 30 504	2 50	2 30	20	.....	.....
375	12 35	13 15	.....	80 509	4 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....
377	5 10	4 90	20	.....	515	7 05	5 95	1 10	.....
382	6 78	5 95	83	.....	520	5 80	3 60	2 20	.....
383	6 80	6 70	10	.....	521	17 30	17 90	.....	60
386	22 36	23 10	.....	74 523	10 00	12 00	.....	2 00	.....
387	15 20	15 70	.....	50 528	34 25	34 55	.....	30	.....
392	14 80	15 40	.....	60 531	20 50	20 45	05	.....	.....
397	4 50	4 70	.....	20 534	24 50	25 25	.....	75	.....

"EXHIBIT F."

STATEMENT SHOWING MEMBERSHIP IN GOOD STANDING OF EACH
POST, WITH GAINS AND LOSSES.

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1891	1892		
Frank P. Blair.....	1	St. Louis.....	741	745	4	.....
General Lyon.....	2	St. Louis.....	274	306	32	.....
Admiral Farragut.....	3	Kansas City.....	156	172	16	.....
McPherson.....	4	Kansas City.....	266	244	.....	22
A. Lincoln.....	5	Moberly.....	97	110	13	.....
James A. Garfield.....	6	Jefferson City.....	118	128	10	.....
Custer.....	7	St. Joseph.....	219	193	.....	26
Geo. H. Thomas.....	8	Kansas City.....	238	244	6	.....
General Canby.....	10	Rich Hill.....	61	76	15	.....
James A. Mulligan.....	11	Lexington.....	39	39	.....	.....
Ellsworth.....	12	Grant City.....	74	78	4	.....
Col. Hassendeubel.....	13	St. Louis.....	561	714	153	.....
O. P. Morton.....	14	Joplin.....	81	96	15	.....
Stanton.....	16	Carthage.....	133	137	4	.....
Joe Hooker.....	17	Cameron.....	115	118	3	.....
Burnside.....	18	Pleasant Hill.....	18	.....	.....	.....
Phil. Kearney.....	19	Laclede.....	30	54	24	.....
Maj. James Wilson.....	20	Louisiana.....	32	63	31	.....
Sedgwick.....	21	Maryville.....	174	175	1	.....
Corporal Dix.....	22	Kirksville.....	134	101	.....	33
F. A. Jones.....	23	Macon City.....	150	76	.....	74
David A. Roberts.....	25	Glenwood.....	27	29	2	.....
Gen. Jos. Bailey.....	26	Nevada.....	68	72	4	.....
Tindall.....	29	Chillicothe.....	89	103	14	.....
Nodaway.....	30	Burlington Junction.....	11	.....	.....	.....
S. A. Hurlburt.....	32	Hamilton.....	27	56	29	.....
Ben. Loan.....	33	Kingston.....	57	52	.....	5
McCook.....	34	Lamar.....	69	57	.....	12
Paddy Shields.....	36	Clarence.....	43	47	4	.....
Col. Forbes.....	38	La Plata.....	38	53	15	.....
Roderick Rockwood.....	39	Xenia.....	31	31	.....	.....
Peabody.....	41	Savannah.....	43	38	.....	5
Albert Chandler.....	42	Macon.....	33	37	4	.....
Wm. T. Sherman.....	43	Hannibal.....	137	152	15	.....
McCullough.....	44	Milan.....	43	47	4	.....
Christian Meyer.....	45	Oregon.....	69	82	13	.....
Perry V. Fletcher.....	46	De Soto.....	32	22	.....	10
Capt. J. L. Clark.....	47	Green City.....	42	35	.....	7
Gen. Geo. G. Meade.....	48	Lebanon.....	142	99	.....	43
Capt. D. M. Birch.....	49	Edgerton.....	17	17	.....	.....
Harrisonville.....	50	Harrisonville.....	40	32	.....	8

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1891	1892		
Col. F. Schaefer	51	Concordia	27	26		1
T. C. Wright	52	Callao	28			
Gen. Geo. R. Smith	53	Sedalia	138	185	47	
Thos. G. Wade	54	Unionville	107	92		15
Reynolds	56	Graham	28	33	5	
O. H. Wood	57	Brookfield	80	78		2
Bates County	58	Butler	109	97		12
Gen. H. Blunt	59	Pollock	23	23		
Gen. Wadsworth	60	Dawn	57	57		
Valentine Peters	61	Maitland	33	32		1
Winfield Scott	63	Holden	69	71	2	
Golden City	64	Golden City	27	21		6
Mound City	65	Mound City	37	37		
Kilpatrick	66	Winston	38	38		
Tarkio	67	Tarkio	19	18		1
Gen. E. D. Baker	68	Green Ridge	39	36		3
Capt. John Mathews	69	Springfield	103	81		22
B. B. King	70	Canton	42	35		7
Col. Jacob Smith	72	Trenton	105	125	20	
Johnson Downen	73	Sticklerville	26	26		
Greenfield	75	Greenfield	40	36		4
John A. Dix	76	Kidder	45	45		
Col. Grover	78	Warrensburg	132	109		23
Capt. Stanley	79	Princeton	28	23		5
Rousseau	80	Ravanna	37	36		1
L. W. Cooper	81	Lathrop	29	34	5	
Yeager-Sharp	82	Wellsville	62	50		12
Curtis	84	Sarcoixie	32	22		10
Lookout	85	Shelbina	19	20	1	
King City	86	King City	55	56	1	
C. G. Harker	88	Meadville	26	27	1	
Capt. J. H. Paynter	90	Jericho	21	14		7
T. H. Richardson	92	Lancaster	24	24		
Capt. C. C. Harvey	96	Maysville	56	56		
Gen. G. B. Boomer	97	Linn	62	60		2
Gen. Ord	99	Richwoods	12			
Franklin Shanks	100	Lutesville	64	52		12
William E. Wood	101	Lindersville	16	19	3	
Shelbyville	102	Shelbyville	23	24	1	
Chilhowee	103	Chilhowee	15	16	1	
Nichols	104	Gallatin	25	41	16	
Arthur Crockett	106	Marshall	61	43		18
Harry P. Harding	107	St. Louis	202	218	16	
Jeff. C. Davis	108	Versailles	49	43		6
B. K. Davis	109	Hopkins	26	41	15	
Wm. McKee	110	Kahoka	133	139	6	
Miles Carroll	111	Iberia	106	109	3	
Robert L. McCook	114	Poplar Bluff	58			
Cameron Garrett	115	Carl Junction	26	21		5
Hardy Smith	117	Quitman	21	23	2	
Jewell	118	Mt. Vernon	46	45		1

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1891	1892		
Marion	119	Stanberry	67	84	17	
Maple Grove	120	Maple Grove	25	23		2
Webster	121	Cora	19	14		5
Virgil Rogers	122	Martinstown	22	23	1	
Lieut. T. D. Neal	124	Bethany	181	117		64
Jas. Marquess	127	Edina	33	15		18
Salem	128	Salem	94	80		14
Capt. J. H. Little	129	Denver	21	20		1
Fred. Miller	130	Tina	48	47		1
Ransom	131	St. Louis	523	543	20	
Gardner	133	Utica	14	15	1	
Gentry	134	Albany	65	64		1
Sergeant B. H. Porch	135	Olean	21	23	2	
Gen. J. G. Foster	137	Neosho	24	23		1
Marionville	141	Marionville	41	40		1
Stephen Decatur	142	Medoc	24	23		1
Samuel McClure	145	Eldon	64	63		1
Avalon	146	Avalon	40	34		6
Akron	147	Akron	11	10		1
J. J. Gravely	149	Bolivar	66	59		7
Liberty	150	Spickardville	65	56		9
D. N. Keeler	152	Melrose	54	60	6	
Thos. Weber	154	Arbela	18	17		1
Loyalty	155	Wadesburg	40	39		1
Geo. Miller	158	Bethel	44	40		4
Alex. D. Hickman	159	Shibley's Point	17	18	1	
Col. Henry E. Gilbert	160	Wheeling	31	32	1	
Gen Frank J. Herron	161	Buffalo	65	52		13
Marshall	162	Elmo	19	22	3	
Col. Islam Keith	164	Breckenridge	44	46	2	
Menke	166	La Grange	30	23		7
Rosendale	167	Rosendale	16			
Jesse H. Moore	168	Elk Grove	44	34		10
Fillmore	170	Fillmore	40	36		4
J. N. Whitehead	171	Victoria	47	28		19
Gen. J. B. Steadman	172	Appleton City	30	37	7	
Justi	173	Cape Girardeau	100	93		7
Maj. Hiram Gavitt	174	Fredericktown	20	20		
Seneca	175	Seneca	31	39	8	
Indian Springs	176	Indian Springs	25	27	2	
W. H. L. Wallace	177	Moundville	21	24	3	
Stephen Estle	178	De Witt	67	51		16
Capt. W. G. Murray	179	Memphis	86	87	1	
Stambaugh	180	Austin	34	26		8
Mansfield	181	Powersville	56	30		26
Gen. Chester Harding	182	St. Joseph	258	92		166
Erich Pape	184	Bollinger Mills	43	45	2	
Major Hunt	185	New London	38	44	6	
Windsor	186	Windsor	23	24	1	
John A. Rawlins	187	Pierce City	32	32		
John D. Mullins	188	Linneus	37	20		17

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1891	1892		
Gen. Henry Wilson	189	Rolla	60	64	4	
Webb City	190	Webb City	32	23		9
Austin Hubbard	194	Stockton	56	46		10
Col. Morsey	197	Warrenton	50	50		
Rogersville	200	Rogersville	35	26		9
Bradshaw	201	Mt. Moriah	36	23		13
W. S. Thomas	202	Muscle Fork	20	17		3
Aaron Brokaw	203	Luray	41	41		
George N. McGee	206	Richmond	43	45	2	
Col. Brooks	207	Hannibal	20			
Edward Wray	209	Linn Creek	28			
McCroskey	210	North Springfield	32	40	8	
Isaac Clevenger	211	Excelsior Springs	29	31	2	
Geo. Taylor	212	Richmond	28			
Jas. A. K. Dillon	213	Lindley	23	21		2
Sergeant Ryan	214	Brashear	57	55		2
Picket	215	Farmington	83	90	7	
Cainsville	216	Cainsville	36	35		1
Bennett Ford	217	Williamstown	12	11		1
John Williams	218	Fairport	23	21		2
Republic	219	Republic	55	39		16
Jamesport	220	Jamesport	36	35		1
Norcross	221	Novelty	35	36	1	
S. L. Turley	222	Bancroft	56	56		
Reuben Dale	223	Eagleville	76	76		
Guy Ward	224	Hale	34	27		7
Marshfield	225	Marshfield	77	21		56
John Kinnett	226	Jameson	22			
Col. Almstaedt	227	Fenton	26	23		3
Union	229	Ladonia	37	36		1
And. Hightower	231	Kansas City	33	21		12
Lieut. S. A. M. George	232	Humansville	58	50		8
Thos. J. Brouster	233	Clayton	64	63		1
Ash Grove	234	Ash Grove	110	34		76
Gen. Fred. D. Steele	235	Montrose	44	31		13
U. S. Grant	236	Lincoln	22	22		
Farnsworth	237	Warsaw	62	34		28
W. S. Hancock	239	Mexico	53	43		10
John A. Hayn	240	Boonville	183	177		6
Galt	241	Galt	28	28		
Pattonsburg	242	Pattonsburg	41	25		16
Andy Smith	243	Willow Springs	27	46	13	
Fred. Steele	244	Cole Camp	27	29	2	
Jack Grant	245	Knox City	33	40	7	
Chas. R. Wood	246	Sligo	30			
John W. Rollins	247	West Plains	33	50	17	
Guthrie	248	North Salem	28			
Fordland	249	Fordland	26	22		4
Ulysses	250	Mirabile	20	21	1	
Col. Leonard	251	Eldorado Springs	35	34		1
Mt. McGregor	252	Sprague	11	11		

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1891	1892		
Mt. Pleasant	253	Belton	29	26		3
J. N. Hilton	254	Forsyth	24	26	2	
McFall	256	McFall	15			
Jno. Boone	257	Licking	60	51		9
Mitchell	258	Gatewood	15	23	8	
Blanchard	260	S. Blanchard	24	28	4	
Sergeant-Major McIntosh	261	Hermitage	101	103	2	
Johuson	262	Centralia	22	26	4	
Cuba	263	Cuba	27	44	17	
Morgan L. Smith	264	Deepwater	78	80	2	
Billings	266	Billings	40	42	2	
Pinhat	268	Brunswick	81	75		6
Sergeant Plummer	269	Sparta	16	50	34	
Baker	271	Pineville	19	13		6
Vidette	272	Malden	28			
Difani	273	Perryville	117	110		7
Norwood	274	Norwood	34	24		10
Albert Thompson	275	Gainesville	17	17		
Henry Brown	276	Clarksburg	146	160	14	
Seymour	277	Seymour	18	21	3	
Jno. Kelsey	278	Cosby	24	21		3
Edinburgh	279	Edinburgh	19	19		
A. S. Norton	280	Modena	34	33		1
David Slake	281	Omaha	13	14	1	
Wakefield Standley	282	Carrollton	57	56		1
Wakefield	283	Fair Play	51	51		
Geo. G. Bryan	284	Belgrade	51	52	1	
Jim Carnes	285	Rock Port	29	29		
Chas. Sumner	286	Boonville	40	43	3	
Warren	287	Rockville	36	30		6
Thos. S. Staples	288	Fairmont	14	18	4	
Major Bartlett	289	Troy	48	48		
Fred. Hecker	290	Pacific	48	45		3
Robt. McElroy	291	Clarksville	30	24		6
Thos. A. Read	292	Ebenezer	35	34		1
Geo. Gamble	293	Hemker	42	39		3
Col. Geiger	294	Highlandville	80	63		17
Capt. Blandowsky	296	New Haven	20	20		
Jno. S. Phelps	297	St. James	48	49	1	
Stewartville	298	Stewartville	20	15		5
C. A. Arthur	299	Mansfield	78	83	5	
Palmyra	300	Palmyra	36			
Chas. Demny	301	St. Louis	47	48	1	
Negley	302	Ottomer	10	8		2
Bob Ford	303	Coffeysburg	23	22		1
Jno. A. Logan	304	St. Louis	55	51		4
Ben. Grigsby	305	Roads	30	27		3
Freeport	307	Roy	38	39	1	
Franklin	308	Paris	19	13		6
J. A. Richards	309	New Frankfort	25			
Major A. B. Carroll	310	Jackson	45	32		13

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1891	1892		
Geo. W. Tyler.....	311	Ford.....	41	24		17
Dan McCook.....	312	Leesville.....	47	40		7
Wm. F. Lane.....	313	Strafford.....	26	24		2
John D. Rohye.....	314	Cedar Hill.....	27	30	3	
Jordan Wilson.....	316	Clarksville.....	19			
Gen. Hunter.....	317	Lamonte.....	25	19		6
Jesse M. Harbin.....	318	Puxico.....	26			
Capt. Mack.....	319	Green Ridge.....	19	17		2
Capt. Manwaring.....	320	Hermann.....	79	74		5
Caruth.....	321	Kennett.....	24			
Capt. J. M. Baird.....	322	Verona.....	50	34		16
Galena.....	323	Galena.....	32	31		1
Geo. V. Pitts.....	324	Sullivan.....	24	15		9
Lockwood.....	325	Lockwood.....	17	17		
J. Felix St. James.....	326	Ste. Genevieve.....	70	76	6	
Adrian.....	327	Adrian.....	45	22		23
Simp. Mason.....	328	Bakersfield.....	28	25		3
Gordon Granger.....	329	Clinton.....	79	82	3	
Jonah W. Reser.....	330	Urbana.....	44	48	4	
John P. McCluney.....	331	Higginsville.....	41	43	2	
Jas. W. Owens.....	332	Washington.....	91	90		1
J. H. Hart.....	333	Piedmont.....	36	16		20
Gen. Washburn.....	334	O'Day.....	36	22		14
H. G. Blake.....	335	Panacea.....	39	27		12
James Ward.....	337	Jasper.....	39	40	1	
Lieut. Jno. Baxter.....	338	Purdy.....	40	48	8	
Houston.....	339	Houston.....	60	67	7	
Evans.....	340	Economy.....	40	37		3
Sergt. L. J. Roach.....	342	Montreal.....	30	30		
Col. Shaw.....	343	St. Louis.....	93	116	23	
Franz Wilhelmi.....	344	Union.....	32	32		
Jesse Owens.....	345	Paynterville.....	48	48		
Iron.....	346	Ironton.....	57	41		16
Levi. F. Pennington.....	347	Truxton.....	42	24		18
Henry C. Beckett.....	348	Mineral Point.....	66	76	10	
Capt. James Johnson.....	350	Arnsberg.....	25	27	2	
Joseph Martin.....	351	Norborne.....	30	26		4
Pardee.....	352	Gravel Point.....	20	26	6	
Sergt. P. P. Mabrey.....	354	Center Ridge.....	18	13		5
Dixon.....	355	Dixon.....	42	32		10
Zincite.....	356	Zincite.....	23	13		10
R. L. Ferguson.....	358	Sweet Springs.....	31	36	5	
Splitlog.....	359	Splitlog.....	29	25		4
Daniel Miles.....	360	Iantha.....	14	15	1	
Fulton.....	361	Fulton.....	25			
Sac River.....	362	Seybert.....	19	18		1
Capital City.....	363	Jefferson City.....	17			
Capt. McFarland.....	364	New Florence.....	15	12		3
Appleton.....	365	Appleton.....	36	37	1	
Upton.....	366	Sheridan.....	40	31		9
Roscoe.....	367	Roscoe.....	17	21	4	

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1891	1892		
John V. Wilson	368	Mack's Creek	23			
Sam'l Lewis	370	Cunningham	29	22		7
Rocky Comfort	371	Rocky Comfort	39	36		3
Col. Putnam	373	Allendale	37			
R. P. Carnes	374	Corneau	26	23		3
Harwood	375	Harwood	33	52	19	
Capt. J. W. Robertson	377	Ozark	25	27	2	
Iuka	378	Johnson City	17	22	5	
Capt. Tom Walker	379	Leora	54	46		8
Commerce	382	Commerce	30	28		2
Jas. A. Dollans	383	Mountain View	32	33	1	
Dawn	384	Osceola	84	61		23
Long Lane	385	Long Lane	30			
Albert Harrison	386	Climax Springs	93	48		45
Marceline	387	Marceline	50	58	8	
Geo. E. Wells	389	Lucerne	19	16		3
Jacob Yount	390	Younts	41	44	3	
Pike	391	Bowling Green	59	59		
South West City	392	South West City	60	44		16
Capt. J. A. Bowers	393	Milford	30	33	3	
Lieut. Wm. Brawner	394	Patton	31	28		3
Andrew Chester	395	Oronogo	38	31		7
Brookline	397	Brookline	14	14		
Phil. Sheridan	398	Gulf	41	33		8
Capt. Louis F. Bierwirth	402	Cape Girardeau	23	15		8
George Long	403	Cave Spring	28	22		6
Cavalry	404	Clarksdale	23			
Durbin A. Ward	405	Pickering	39	32		7
Corporal Doke	406	Garrison	15	18	3	
Conway	407	Conway	41	38		3
Col. Krekel	408	St. Peters	46	41		5
Jno. Shelton	409	Palace	15	19	4	
Jno. H. Kendall	410	Brazito	16			
Capt. Kelsoe	411	Astoria	36	45	9	
Jno. R. Downing	412	Newark	18	20	2	
Richland	413	Dora	25	24		1
David Hewitt	414	Louisburg	40	40		
Capt. Jos. Dunlap	415	Humphreys	34			
Tiff City	416	Tiff City	18	16		2
Smithton	417	Smithton	30	25		5
Sergeant Clay Shaw	418	Sedalia	32	33	1	
Walden Emory	419	Decaturville	17	13		4
Fred. Roether	420	Montgomery	36	39	3	
Capt. Bradway	421	Crocker	26	28	2	
J. B. Dorr	422	Newtown	24	21		3
Florence	423	Florence	26			
Col. A. J. Webber	424	Wakenda	37	36		1
Lieut. Wm. Hawkins	425	Brumley	52	62	10	
Hunnewell	426	Hunnewell	30	24		6
Jno. C. Culver	427	Sue City	26	21		5
Thos. Gordon	428	Polo	36	28		8

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1891	1892		
Jno. V. Hoover	429	Elkland	55	57	2	
Holt	430	Craig	22	23	1	
Jos. L. Wray	431	Egypt Mills	18	18		
Columbia	432	Columbia	27	29	2	
David D. Porter	433	Mountain Grove	20	28	8	
J. B. Wicker	434	Richland	48	49	1	
Thos. Shelton	435	Gehm	21	21		
Jos. A. Mower	436	Hartville	61	31		30
Simon Cameron	437	Cross Timbers	37	35		2
Quincy	438	Quincy	29	28		1
C. M. Anderson	439	Advance	22	18		4
Gen. Hazen	440	Foster	16			
Alton	441	Alton	25	33	8	
Hume	442	Hume	21	21		
Elwood Miller	444	St. Louis	29	28		1
Gideon T. Potter	445	Steelville	27			
Obediah Gray	446	Moody	14	14		
Capt. Bauer	447	Berger	21	18		3
Fair Grove	449	Fair Grove	31	29		2
Dexter	451	Dexter	20			
Tipton	452	Tipton	13	13		
E. E. Kimball	453	Middletown	42	56	14	
Calhoun	454	Calhoun	37	34		3
McClain	455	Centretown	32	29		3
DeKalb	456	DeKalb	39	42	3	
Warren T. Stewart	457	Benton	39	43	4	
Col. J. P. Brownlow	458	Phelps	18	17		1
John Whaling	459	St. Joseph	35	30		5
Capt. J. S. Robb	461	Jenkins	32	31		1
Ephraim Gaither	462	Aurora	40	26		14
Robt. Taylor	463	Odessa	46	50	4	
Capt. Mace	464	Centerville	26	27	1	
Louis Duemler	465	St. Clair	30	35	5	
Vandalia	466	Vandalia	28	28		
Seaman	467	Harris	13			
Maj. Leonard	468	Higbee	24	24		
Lieut. Brooks	469	Ashland	40	43	3	
Gen. Geo. Crook	470	Slater	24			
Ethel	471	Ratliff	20	16		4
Callaway	472	Fulton	24	22		2
L. A. Weathermon	473	Clyde	21	22	1	
Gov. Andrew	475	Birch Tree	29	30	1	
Col. Parkinson	476	Springfield	12	13	1	
Sumner	477	New Cambria	24	36	12	
New Union	478	New Union Church	26	37	11	
T. R. Lane	479	Montreal	17	18	1	
Green Hampton	480	Protom	40	38		2
Goulding	481	Buckhart	37	30		7
Jno. C. Fremont	482	Norris	20	27	7	
W. D. Porter	484	Hendrickson	16	16		
Geo. B. McClellan	485	Pacific	14	24	10	

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1891	1892		
C. S. Conover	486	Bonne Terre	27	.....	.....	.....
Dillard Bell	487	Elmer	26	.....	.....	.....
L. Stevenson	488	Pocahontas	23	26	3	.....
Maj. Ennis	489	Greentop	37	34	.....	3
W. W. Leggett	490	Duncan's Bridge	26	26	.....	.....
Eagle	492	Monett	34	9	.....	25
Freeland	493	Hardin	21	.....	.....	.....
Jas. H. Fort	494	Greencastle	13	16	3	.....
E. D. Brown	495	Lead Mine	33	36	3	.....
Col. Meumann	496	St. Louis	98	167	69	.....
Gen. A. H. Terry	497	Cassville	49	7	.....	42
Maj. Montgomery	498	Ardeola	18	15	.....	3
Jno. S. Miller	499	Guilford	21	12	.....	9
Kinney Lucas	500	Ardmore	30	38	8	.....
Servant Parker	501	Chillicothe	14	15	1	.....
Daniel Dawson	502	Salisbury	14	12	.....	2
Monroe Lee	504	Golden	27	21	.....	6
Col. P. Cornyn	505	Chamois	30	32	2	.....
Jno. Tietjens	506	Indian Grove	21	25	4	.....
Maj. Worthington	507	Shell Knob	15	12	.....	3
Jno. Brown	508	Salisbury	16	12	.....	4
Isaac Smith	509	Brunswick	20	23	3	.....
Whitesville	510	Whitesville	19	29	10	.....
Gen. Buford	511	Louisiana	22	21	.....	1
Harrison A. Gleim	512	Tipton	47	57	10	.....
Wm. Burris	513	Glasgow	17	.....	.....	.....
Jesse Turnage	514	Rayville	22	28	6	.....
Liberal	515	Liberal	22	25	3	.....
J. H. Crenshaw	516	Carterville	43	46	3	.....
Parnell City	517	Parnell	23	28	5	.....
Wm. Broadwell	518	Bertrand	21	20	.....	1
Jno. Martin	519	Tuscumbia	19	34	15	.....
F. M. Slagle	520	Exeter	20	18	.....	2
Papinsville	521	Papinsville	14	14	.....	.....
Duncan	522	Bowling Green	13	13	.....	.....
Thos. L. Bounds	523	Gorin .....	.....	15	15	.....
Drexel	524	Drexel .....	.....	28	28	.....
Geo. W. Murphy	525	Cowgill .....	.....	25	25	.....
Geo. W. Walker	526	Darlington .....	.....	19	19	.....
Boone	527	Columbia .....	.....	27	27	.....
Max Latimer	528	Downing .....	.....	18	18	.....
Ben. Lewis	529	Glasgow .....	.....	21	21	.....
Adjutant Pratt	530	Mexico .....	.....	17	17	.....
Belmont	531	Bolckow .....	.....	43	43	.....
Flag Springs	532	Flag Springs .....	.....	19	19	.....
Capt. Jno. Turney	533	Plattsburg .....	.....	25	25	.....
Sergeant Welch	534	Ponce de Leon .....	.....	35	35	.....
Sam'l Warner	535	Laredo .....	.....	27	27	.....
Aldrich	536	Aldrich .....	.....	29	29	.....
Tecumseh	537	Blackwater .....	.....	23	23	.....
Isabella	538	Isabella .....	.....	17	17	.....

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1891	1892		
Tilman Smith	539	Moberly .....	.....	13	13	.....
J. H. Weirich.....	540	Spring Bluff.....	.....	19	19	.....
Sewell W. Smith.....	541	Edwards .....	.....	14	14	.....

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE, }
NEVADA, MO., March 22, 1893. }

C. W. WHITEHEAD, Commander of the Department of Mo., G. A. R.:

Dear Sir and Comrade: I respectfully submit that the opinions which I have rendered did not involve any new or intricate question of Grand Army law or usage. They were merely the re-iterations of my predecessors along the line of well settled construction, and I therefore deem it unnecessary to encumber the record with the details thereof.

Congratulating you upon the success of your administration, with thanks for the uniform courtesy and kindness of yourself and other officers of the Department, I am,

Fraternally,

CHARLES G. BURTON,
Judge Advocate, Department of Mo.

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 10, 1893.

C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander:

Comrade: I have the honor, as Chief Mustering Officer of the Department of Missouri, G. A. R., to submit the following report:

THE FOLLOWING POSTS HAVE BEEN MUSTERED.

Post No.	Name of Post.	Location.	Date of Charter.	By Whom Must'd.
531	Belmont	Bolckow.....	Mar. 25	Pembroke Mercer.
532	Flag Springs	Flag Springs...	" "	" "
533	Capt. Jno. Turner..	Plattsburg.....	Apr. 5	B. J. Burke.
534	Sergeant Welch.....	Ponce de Leon	Apr. 19	Jos. Payne.
535	Samuel Warner.....	Laredo.....	Apr. 28	J. H. Rose.
536	Aldrich	Aldrich	June 29	C. L. Allen.
537	Tecumseh	Blackwater.....	July 4	T. M. Rice.
538	Isabella	Isabella	July 26	J. A. Bingaman.
539	Tillman Terrill.....	Moberly	Sept. 9	John W. Scott.
540	J. H. Weirich	Spring Bluff...	Oct. 12	John T. Crowe.
541	Sewell W. Smith	Edwards.....	Nov. 10	N. B. Petts.
542	.....	Bland	Mar. 14, '93	Adolph Muller.
*543	.....	Mokeyville .....	.....	.....

* Not Mustered.

I regret that it has not been my privilege, because of the distance at which the above Posts were away, to personally muster them, but wish to take this means of thanking the Special Mustering Officers for the services rendered by them.

Fraternally,

S. D. WEBSTER,

Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR }
 KANSAS CITY, MO., APRIL 4, 1893. }

C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

Comrade: I have the honor to submit herewith my report for the year just closing. I have as far as possible endeavored to carry out the plan adopted by the Eleventh Annual Department Encampment in the manner of causing inspection of the Posts to be made. I believe that the plan would result in as good and thorough inspections as any that has heretofore been followed. It always takes a little time and more than one trial to get a new system into good working order, and probably another year would show better results. Nearly all reports have shown faithful work on the part of assistant inspectors and many of them have accompanied their reports with remarks breathing a spirit of loyalty to the old flag and to our order that is very commendable. I desire to thank all assistant inspectors who have reported to me for their zeal in the performance of the duties assigned them.

I am of the opinion that the plan for making inspections of Posts by the installing officer at the time of installation of Post officers, as adopted at the last National Encampment, will work well and result in nearly, if not quite, all Posts being inspected. It is important that inspecting officers forward their report to the Department Inspector at once. Delay on the part of assistant inspectors has caused the Department Inspector a great deal of extra labor and much annoyance. If comrades would recognize the necessity of being careful, accurate and prompt in making reports to Department officers, said officers would "rise up and call them blessed."

On December 31, 1892, there were in this Department 457 Posts.

I have received inspection reports from 359 Posts.

From the reports of the inspection of the 359 Posts I obtain the following facts in relation to these Posts:

They had December 31, 1892, a total membership in good standing of.....	16,486
The total number of muskets in these Posts.....	922
The total amount in their relief funds	\$10,528 09
They expended for charity during the year 1892.....	5,810 04
The amount of money and securities in the hands of Quartermasters	14,350 44
The amount of other property belonging to these Posts.....	29,968 60

Number of Posts whose prospects are reported excellent.....	4
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported splendid.....	4
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported good.....	191
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported very good.....	5
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported not good.....	22
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported fair.....	101
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported improving.....	2
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported gloomy.....	2
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported bad.....	5
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported slim.....	1
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported precarious.....	1

For answers to the various inquiries contained in the inspection blanks I respectfully invite attention to the footings of the tabulated statement herewith presented.

It may not be necessary for me to say to you that during the year I accompanied the Department Commander and his staff to the National Encampment at Washington in September last; that I visited also, with the Department Commander, Custer Post No. 7, at St. Joseph, Mo., on two different occasions, also Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, at St. Louis, Hassenduebel Post No. 13, St. Louis, Meumann Post No. 496, St. Louis, and Col. Shaw Post No. 343, St. Louis.

That at all times and in all places I have been received and treated with the utmost fraternal courtesy and kindness.

I desire in closing to thank all comrades with whom I have had official or fraternal relations for their uniform kindness to me.

I especially desire to extend to comrade Thos. B. Rodgers, Assistant Adjutant General, thanks for courtesies and aid rendered me in my duties, and to thank the Department Commander for the honor conferred on me by his appointment of me to this position, and to assure him that I have fully appreciated the honor and been mindful of the many kindnesses he has manifested towards me and to further assure him that I have endeavored to faithfully discharge the duties assigned me. I have the honor to be, sir,

Very respectfully in F., C. and L.

WILBUR F. HENRY,

Department Inspector.

No. of Post.	NAME OF POST INSPECTED.	Number of members in good standing?	Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory and properly performed?	Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped?	Are the members uniformed and equipped?	How many muskets are owned by the Post?	Are the officers regular in their attendance?	Are the members regular in their attendance?	Do they exhibit an interest in the Post.	Are all the records complete and well kept?
1	Frank P. Blair	745	yes	yes	yes	14	yes	yes	yes	yes
2	Gen. Lyon	306	yes	yes	yes	16	yes	yes	yes	yes
3	Admiral Farragut	172	yes	yes	not all	16	yes	gd. ave.	yes	yes
4	McPherson	244	yes	yes	partly	4	yes	fair	yes	yes
5	A. Lincoln	112	partly	partly	nearly	6	yes	med.	yes	yes
6	James A. Garfield	128	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
7	Custer	193	no	no	part	8	fairly	no	yes	yes
8	Geo. H. Thomas	244	yes	yes	part	4	yes	not very	fair	yes
10	Gen. Canby	78	no	no	no	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
11	Jas. A. Mulligan	89	no	yes	yes	14	yes	not very	yes	yes
12	Ellsworth	78	no	no	no	14	no	no	yes	yes
13	Col. Hassendeubel	714	yes	yes	yes	39	yes	yes	yes	yes
14	O. P. Morton	96	yes	part	part	4	yes	part	yes	yes
16	Stanton	137	part	part	part	4	yes	not very	fair	yes
17	Joe. Hooker	118	yes	yes	partly	6	partly	partly	yes	yes
19	Phil. Kearney	54	yes	no	no	4	yes	fair	yes	yes
20	Maj. Jas. Wilson	63	partly	no	no	8	yes	no	yes	yes
21	Sedgwick	175	yes	yes	no	12	yes	yes	yes	yes
22	Corporal Dix	106	partly	no	no	6	yes	no	yes	yes
23	F. A. Jones	76	yes	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
25	David A. Roberts	28	partly	yes	partly	8	yes	no	yes	yes
26	Gen. Joseph Bailey	72	no	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
29	Findall	103	partly	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
32	S. A. Hurlburt	56	yes	partly	partly	6	yes	partly	yes	yes
33	Ben. Loan	52	yes	yes	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
34	McCook	47	partly	partly	yes	32	yes	yes	yes	yes
36	Paddy Shields	47	partly	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
38	Col. Forbes	53	no	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
39	Rod-rick Rockwood	31	partly	no	no	4	no	no	yes	yes
41	Peabody	38	yes	partly	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
42	Albert Chandler	38	yes	yes	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
43	W. T. Sherman	47	yes	yes	partly	12	yes	yes	yes	yes
44	McCullough	47	partly	no	no	18	yes	yes	yes	yes
45	Christian Meyer	82	yes	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
46	Perry V. Fletcher	22	partly	yes	partly	10	yes	yes	yes	yes
47	Capt. J. L. Clark	35	partly	no	no	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
48	Gen. Geo. G. Meade	99	no	no	partly	4	yes	yes	fair	fair
49	Capt. D. M. Birch	21	no	no	no	4	no	no	yes	yes
50	Harris-onville	49	fair	partly	partly	12	yes	yes	yes	yes
51	Col. F. Schaefer	26	yes	yes	yes	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
53	Gen. Geo. R. Smith	186	yes	yes	yes	20	yes	yes	yes	yes
54	Thos. G. Wade	12	yes	no	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
56	Reynolds	34	no	partly	no	4	no	yes	yes	yes
57	O. H. Wood	78	yes	yes	partly	12	yes	no	partly	yes
58	Bates County	97	partly	no	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
59	Gen. H. Blunt	23	partly	no	partly	4	fair	fair	yes	yes
60	Gen. Wadsworth	57	yes	no	no	4	fair	fair	yes	yes
61	Valentine Peters	32	no	partly	partly	8	yes	partly	yes	yes
63	Winfield Scott	71	partly	partly	no	9	yes	fair	fair	yes
64	Golden City	21	no	no	no	10	yes	no	no	no
65	Mound City	35	partly	no	no	4	yes	yes	partly	yes
66	Kilpatrick	38	yes	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
67	Parkio	18	yes	yes	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
68	Gen. E. D. Baker	47	yes	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
69	Capt. John Mathews	81	yes	yes	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
70	B. B. King	34	no	yes	yes	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
72	Col. Jacob Smith	124	yes	no	no	15	yes	yes	yes	fair
73	Johnson Downen	26	no	no	no	4	yes	no	partly	yes

Are orders received regularly, and to the Post and filed?	Are they duly observed?	Have all reports and taxes been forwarded?	Amount charged for muster-in?	Amount charged for annual dues?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Total amount expended for charity?	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermaster?	Value of all other property owned by the Post?	Is there a Corps of the W. R. C. connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans and do you encourage the organization of same?	What are the prospects for the future?	No. of Post.	
yes	yes	yes	\$ 5 00	4 00	yes	\$7,714 48	\$ 311 67	\$ 420 00	\$3,500 00	yes	yes	good	1	
yes	yes	yes	00 00	4 00	no	.....	115 27	186 00	200 00	no	no	excellent	2
yes	yes	yes	00 00	3 00	no	.....	35 00	40 00	150 30	no	no	very good	3
yes	yes	yes	00 00	2 00	no	.....	195 85	220 38	.....	yes	yes	good	4
yes	yes	yes	00 00	1 00	no	.....	25 00	50 00	150 00	yes	yes	good	5
yes	yes	yes	00 00	2 40	yes	300 00	35 00	490 62	.....	no	no	fair	6
yes	yes	yes	1 50	3 00	yes	139 84	391 30	1,400 00	500 00	yes	yes	good	7	
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	yes	61 00	46 95	326 99	75 00	yes	yes	good	8	
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	.....	20 00	4 08	15 00	no	no	good	10
yes	yes	yes	2 50	3 00	no	.....	10 00	64 92	179 92	no	no	good	11
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	yes	.....	44 90	18 25	50 10	no	no	fair	12
yes	yes	yes	5 00	3 00	yes	16 85	141 25	460 55	3,477 40	yes	yes	very good	13
yes	yes	yes	2 00	4 00	yes	10 23	101 00	59 23	160 00	yes	yes	good	14
yes	yes	yes	2 00	3 00	yes	136 64	31 10	302 21	yes	yes	good	16
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	yes	29 10	85 10	151 50	139 00	no	yes	good	17
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	yes	1 10	10 00	11 57	556 25	no	yes	good	19
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no	.....	15 00	5 00	45 00	no	no	fair	20
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	yes	789 80	103 40	850 39	250 00	yes	yes	good	21	
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no	.....	.....	18 85	240 45	yes	no	good	22
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	no	.....	38 00	43 00	100 00	yes	yes	good	23
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no	.....	.....	69 56	50 00	yes	yes	fair	25
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no	.....	91 50	70 00	50 00	yes	yes	good	26
yes	yes	yes	2 50	2 00	no	.....	16 35	127 00	272 09	yes	no	good	29
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 20	no	.....	10 35	139 51	120 00	yes	no	good	32
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	no	.....	10 00	16 20	100 00	no	no	good	33
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	no	.....	3 00	43 38	126 00	yes	yes	fair	34
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	no	.....	.....	47 20	115 00	no	no	fair	36
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	.....	8 09	13 05	10 00	yes	no	fair	38
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no	.....	4 75	18 85	5 00	no	no	fair	39
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	yes	7 50	.....	52 37	300 00	yes	yes	good	41
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	75 00	19 20	55 00	yes	no	good	42
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no	.....	46 45	20 00	270 00	no	no	good	43
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no	.....	80 00	45 00	104 00	no	no	good	44
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	yes	23 18	37 00	81 68	145 00	no	yes	good	45	
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	.....	.....	52 15	221 00	yes	yes	good	46
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	yes	6 08	.....	10 20	50 00	no	yes	fair	47
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	.....	32 00	13 05	.....	yes	yes	fair	48
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	.....	.....	9 65	8 00	no	no	good	49
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	yes	.....	2 25	.....	30 00	yes	no	good	50
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no	.....	13 50	19 95	187 50	no	yes	good	51
yes	yes	yes	2 50	1 00	no	.....	13 50	149 65	325 00	yes	yes	good	53
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no	.....	129 93	64 23	25 00	yes	yes	good	54
yes	yes	yes	2 00	0 00	yes	.....	.....	12 00	4 00	no	no	fair	56
yes	yes	yes	1 50	0 00	yes	5 00	25 00	.....	150 00	yes	no	fair	57
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no	41 75	41 00	102 56	20 50	no	no	good	58	
yes	yes	yes	1 00	60	no	.....	.....	16 90	10 00	no	no	fair	59
yes	yes	yes	2 00	no	no	.....	.....	2 37	.....	no	no	fair	60
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 20	no	.....	.....	.....	114 00	no	no	fair	61
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	no	.....	21 00	16 15	38 25	no	no	fair	63
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	.....	5 00	7 80	.....	no	no	not good	64
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no	.....	10 00	15 00	20 00	no	no	fair	65
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	.....	17 50	11 45	500 00	no	no	good	66
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	no	.....	44 00	41 64	75 00	no	yes	good	67
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	.....	44 00	10 65	.....	no	no	good	68
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	yes	21 50	15 50	31 05	200 00	yes	no	good	69	
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	.....	.....	25 00	.....	no	no	good	70
pty	yes	yes	3 00	1 00	no	36 85	300 00	20 00	yes	yes	good	72	
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	15 00	20 00	200 00	no	yes	good	73	

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75	Greenfield	36	yes	partly	partly	10	yes	yes	yes	yes
76	John A. Dix	43	yes	yes	yes	9	no	no	partly	yes
78	Col. Grover	109	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes
79	Capt. Stanley	23	no	no	no	20	yes	no	no	yes
81	L. W. Cooper	32	no	partly	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
85	Lookout	20	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
88	C. G. Harker	27	yes	yes	yes	5	.....	no	yes	yes
86	Capt. T. C. Harvey	56	partly	no	no	1	partly	partly	yes	yes
89	Gen. Ord	12	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
100	Franklin Shanks	52	yes	yes	yes	6	no	no	partly	yes
102	Shelbyville	24	no	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
103	Chilhowee	17	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
104	Nichols	35	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
108	Jeff. C. Davis	43	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
109	B. K. Davis	41	no	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	fair
110	Wm. McKee	139	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
111	Miles Carroll	109	partly	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
115	Cameron Garrett	21	partly	partly	no	.....	fair	no	fair	yes
117	Hardy Smith	30	partly	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
118	Jewell	44	yes	partly	partly	9	yes	no	fair	yes
119	Marion	84	no	partly	partly	8	fair	fair	fair	yes
120	Maple Grove	23	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	no	yes
122	Virgil Rogers	21	yes	yes	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
124	Lieut. T. D. Neal	117	partly	partly	partly	30	partly	partly	yes	yes
127	James Marquess	77	yes	no	no	15	yes	no	partly	yes
128	Salem	80	partly	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
129	Capt. J. H. Little	20	partly	partly	partly	.....	partly	partly	partly	yes
130	Fred. Miller	48	yes	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes
131	Ransom	543	yes	yes	yes	13	yes	yes	yes	yes
133	Gardner	17	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
134	Gentry	65	yes	no	no	10	yes	partly	yes	yes
135	Sergt. B. H. Porch	23	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	fair
137	Gen. J. G. Foster	23	yes	no	partly	5	partly	no	partly	yes
141	Marionville	40	fair	partly	partly	.....	yes	no	fair	yes
142	Stephen Decatur	23	partly	no	no	.....	no	partly	yes	yes
145	Samuel McClure	64	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
146	Avalon	34	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	no	yes	yes
149	J. L. Gravely	59	no	no	no	15	yes	no	fair	no
150	Liberty	54	partly	no	partly	10	yes	yes	yes	yes
152	D. N. Keeler	60	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
154	Thos. Weber	17	partly	partly	partly	.....	no	no	partly	yes
155	Loyalty	29	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
158	Geo. Miller	38	partly	yes	partly	6	yes	no	yes	yes
159	Alex. D. Hickman	19	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
160	Col. Henry E. Gilbert	31	partly	partly	partly	9	yes	yes	yes	fair
161	Gen. Frank J. Herron	52	no	no	no	.....	partly	partly	fair	yes
162	Marshall	23	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
164	Col. Islam Keith	46	partly	no	no	12	yes	partly	yes	yes
166	Menke	18	partly	no	no	.....	no	partly	yes	fair
168	Jesse H. Moore	34	partly	partly	partly	.....	partly	partly	partly	yes
170	Fillmore	36	yes	no	no	4	yes	fair	yes	yes
171	J. N. Whitehead	28	no	partly	partly	6	no	no	yes	yes
172	Gen. J. B. Steadman	37	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
173	Justi	93	partly	yes	partly	10	yes	yes	yes	yes
174	Maj. Hiram Gavitt	20	partly	no	no	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes
175	Seneca	38	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
176	Indian Springs	27	partly	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
177	W. H. L. Wallace	25	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes

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yes	yes	yes	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	no	\$ 7 80	\$ 7 80	\$ 75 00	no	yes	yes	good	75
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	yes	9 80	9 80	1 500 00	no	yes	yes	good	76
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	yes	9 00	5 00	10 00	525 00	yes	yes	good	78
yes	yes	yes	1 40	2 00	no			200 00	no	yes	yes	fair	79
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			2 42	no	no	no	good	81
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			4 45	55 00	no	no	fair	85
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	yes	47	7 00	17 22	25 00	no	no	fair good	88
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			7 59	11 75	no	yes	fair	96
yes	yes	yes	1 00	20	no			8 00	10 00	no	no	not good	99
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		25 00	10 00	50 00	no	no	good	100
yes	yes	yes	1 09	1 00	no		15 00	10 34	40 00	no	yes	good	102
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		10 00	4 69	no	yes	yes	good	103
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		5 00	1 79	50 00	no	yes	good	104
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no			1 86	25 00	no	no	good	108
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		2 14	144 45	no	no	no	fair	109
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		25 00	21 30	200 00	yes	yes	good	110
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		100 00	31 42	1 000 00	yes	yes	splendid	111
yes	yes	yes	1 30	1 30	no			13 50	7 85	no	no	not good	115
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			58 60	no	no	no	good	117
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	yes	70 61	41 15	70 61	80 00	no	no	fair	118
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no			36 10	162 45	no	yes	fair	119
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	no			15 25	8 10	no	no	not good	120
yes	yes	yes						4 20				fair	122
yes	yes	yes	1 65	1 50	yes	78 95	23 00	155 15	428 00	yes	yes	fair	124
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		100 00		no	no	no	fair	127
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no		4 50	58 62	218 00	no	no	good	128
yes	ply	yes	1 00	50	no			10 00	8 00	no	no	fair	129
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no			18 28	20 75	no	no	good	130
yes	yes	yes	5 00	4 00	yes	87 42	225 53	519 17	1 961 05	yes	no	good	131
yes	yes	yes	25	60	no			5 00	25 00	no	no	good	133
yes	yes	yes	1 00	60	no		13 90	10 01	50 00	no	no	fair	134
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		2 50	12 67	20 00	no	no	good	135
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	yes	20 00		4 33	70 00	yes	no	not good	137
yes	fair	yes	2 00	1 00	yes		7 35	8 15	8 75	yes	no	good	141
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 60	no		20 00	10 90	8 00	yes	yes	good	142
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		30 00	42 32	50 00	yes	no	good	145
yes	yes	yes	1 50	4 00	no			5 29		no	no	good	146
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no				50 00	no	no	fair	149
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 30	yes	17 11	26 75	138 20	50 00	no	no	good	150
yes	yes	yes	2 00	40	yes	255 45	36 09	255 45	393 90	yes	yes	good	152
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		3 80	2 60	25 00	no	no	fair	154
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		5 00	8 45	no	no	no	good	155
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		5 00	8 65	40 00	yes	no	good	158
yes	yes	yes	1 00	20	no		5 00	4 40	5 00	no	no	good	159
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		9 00	1 00	50 00	yes	yes	fair	160
yes	ply	yes	1 00	1 00	no		11 03	19 91	75 00	no	no	not good	161
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 60	yes	4 00		18 00	15 00	no	no	fair	162
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 20	no		1 85	11 02	50 00	yes	no	good	164
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 50	no				25 00	no	no	fair	166
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	yes	1 85	37 50	240 14	10 00	no	no	fair	168
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no			47 83	25 00	yes	yes	fair	170
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		4 00	1 60	6 00	no	yes	good	171
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			15	50 00	yes	no	good	172
yes	yes	yes	5 00	2 00	no		25 75	128 20	1 50	no	no	good	173
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 20	no		26 00		12 00	no	no	good	174
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	no		10 00	34 76	24 25	no	no	fair	175
yes	yes	yes	2 00	80	no			3 65	75 00	no	no	good	176
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		6 00	31 85	30 00	no	no	fair	177

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178	Stephen Estle	51	partly	partly	no		yes	no	partly	yes
179	Capt. W. G. Murray	87	partly	partly	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
180	Stambaugh	25	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
181	Mansfield	30	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	fair
182	Gen. Chester Harding	92	partly	partly	partly	8	yes	no	partly	yes
184	Erich Pape	43	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
185	Major Hunt	44	partly	partly	no		partly	no	partly	fair
186	Windsor	24	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	fair
187	John A. Rawlins	32	yes	no	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes
188	John D. Mullins	41	no	no	no		yes	no	no	yes
189	Gen. Henry Wilson	64	no	partly	partly	6	no	fair	yes	yes
190	W. B. Goodrich	24	no	no	no		yes	no	no	yes
197	Col. Morsey	49	partly	no	partly		no	yes	yes	no
200	Rogersville	29	partly	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes
201	Bradshaw	23	no	no	partly		no	yes	yes	yes
202	W. S. Thomas	17	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
203	Aaron Brokaw	41	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
213	Jas. A. K. Dillon	21	yes	partly	no		yes	fair	yes	yes
214	Sergt. Ryan	55	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
215	Picket	90	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
216	Cainsville	35	no	partly	no	22	no	no	no	yes
217	Bennet Ford	10	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes
218	John Williams	21	no	partly	no		no	no	yes	yes
219	Republic	39	yes	yes	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes
220	Jamesport	35	partly	no	no		yes	no	no	yes
221	Across	36	no	partly	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
222	S. L. Turly	78	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
223	Reuben Dale	76	yes	partly	partly	15	fair	fair	yes	yes
224	Guy Ward	27	partly	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
227	Col. Almstaedt	20	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
229	Union	36	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
232	Lt. S. A. M. George	50	no	no	no	12	yes	yes	yes	yes
233	Thos. J. Brouster	63	partly	partly	partly	8	no	no	yes	yes
234	Ash Grove	34	partly	no	partly	6	no	yes	yes	yes
235	Gen. Fred. D. Steel	31	no	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
237	Farnsworth	34	yes	no	no	20	yes	no	yes	fair
239	W. S. Hancock	41	yes	yes	yes	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
240	John A. Hayn	17	yes	yes	no	8	yes	no	yes	yes
241	Galt	24	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes
242	Pattonsburg	25	no	no	no		no	no	partly	yes
243	Andy Smith	35	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
244	Fred. Steel	26	partly	no	no		no	no	partly	yes
245	Jack Grant	40	no	partly	partly		fair	yes	yes	yes
249	Fordland	22	fair	no	no		fair	yes	yes	yes
250	Ulysses	21	partly	yes	partly	8	fair	fair	yes	fair
251	Col. Leonard	37	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes
252	Mt. McGregor	11	no	no	no		no	no	yes	yes
254	J. N. Hilton	27	fair	no	no		fair	fair	fair	fair
257	John Boone	51	partly	partly	partly		yes	no	partly	yes
260	Blanchard	25	partly	partly	no		yes	fair	yes	yes
261	Sgt. Maj. McIntosh	103	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
262	Johnson	2	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
263	Cuba	44	partly	yes	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
264	Morgan L. Smith	80	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
268	Pinhart	75	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
271	Baker	13	partly	partly	no		yes	no	partly	yes
273	Difani	103	no	partly	partly	24	yes	no	no	yes
274	Norwood	24	partly	no	partly	1	yes	yes	yes	yes

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yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	18 43	32 50	32 02	314 05	no	no	not good	178
yes	yes	yes	1 80	1 00	no		14 37	219 00	25 00	yes	yes	good	179
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		1 25	130 78	10 00	yes	yes	good	180
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		12 50	24 45	5 00	no	yes	good	181
yes	yes	yes	1 00	3 00	no		21 63	477 80	no	yes	yes	good	182
yes	yes	yes	1 75	2 00	no		4 50	7 45	191 75	no	yes	good	184
yes	yes	yes	1 25	2 00	no	1 00	24 50	7 81	20 00	no	yes	fair	185
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no				5 00	no	no	good	186
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			5 00	no	no	no	fair	187
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no				3 00	no	no	good	188
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no			29 87	25 00	yes	yes	good	189
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	no			12 00	50 00	no	no	fair	190
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no			31 01	no	no	yes	fair	197
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		15 00	7 00	25 00	no	yes	good	200
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 20	no	46 00	10 00	1 05	50 00	yes	yes	fair	201
yes	yes	yes	1 00	60	no		10 00	4 00	15 00	no	no	good	202
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	no		10 00	16 72	20 00	no	no	good	203
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			2 50	25 00	no	no	fair	213
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		10 00	24 40	50 00	no	yes	good	214
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no		12 30	86 15	66 98	yes	no	very good	215
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		20 00	212 63	75 75	no	yes	fair	216
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50	no		8 00		no	no	no	slim	217
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	no		43 00		10 00	no	yes	fair	218
yes	yes	yes	2 00	60	no		27 95		50 00	no	no	fair	219
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	yes	17 15	11 15	31 61	45 36	no	no	fair	220
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			16 79	37 05	no	no	good	221
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		100 00	8 00	40 00	yes	no	good	222
yes	yes	yes	1 65	1 40	no		21 00	162 21	75 00	no	no	good	223
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 40	no		2 00	12 65	13 70	no	no	not good	224
yes	yes	yes	3 00	2 00	no			33 30	15 00	no	yes	good	227
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		20 00	11 00	50 00	yes	yes	good	229
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		1 65	6 42	51 00	no	no	fair	232
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 60	yes		60 00	91 32	no	yes	yes	good	233
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		15 00		no	no	no	fair	234
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		1 00	18 28	no	no	yes	fair	235
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no				100 00	yes	yes	good	237
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 40	yes		42 00	73 37	1 50	no	no	fair	239
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	no		11 75	448 76	25 80	no	no	good	240
yes	yes	yes	1 25	1 00	no			25	45 00	yes	no	good	241
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		12 57	8 11	10 00	no	no	fair	242
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		20 00		10 00	yes	yes	good	243
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		50	10 75	20 00	no	no	good	244
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		15 35	8 30	50 00	no	yes	good	245
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		2 50	16 08	12 25	no	yes	good	249
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		65 00	35 00	50 00	no	no	fair	259
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	yes	5 00	25 00	34 00	75 00	no	no	good	251
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		5 00	24 77	7 75	no	no	good	252
yes	yes	yes	1 00	no	no		3 00	28 70	35 00	no	no	good	254
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		15 25	9 78	250 00	no	no	good	257
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no				30 00	no	no	fair	260
yes	yes	yes	1 70	1 00	yes	1 00	50 00	47 87	25 00	yes	yes	good	261
yes	yes	yes	1 70	1 40	yes	1 36	5 00	3 50	15 00	no	no	good	262
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		1 00	25 79	40 00	no	no	good	265
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	no		22 50		80 00	yes	yes	good	264
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		30 00	1 65	100 00	no	yes	fair	268
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		23 00		25 00	no	no	not good	271
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 20	yes	69 51	60 55	88 32	116 20	no	no	fair	273
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		6 85	6 80	375 00	no	yes	good	274

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276	Henry Brown	160	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
277	Seymour	21	no	no	no	6	partly	no	no	fair
278	John Kelsey	21	no	partly	partly	.....	no	no	yes	yes
280	A. J. Norton	34	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
281	David Slake	14	partly	partly	partly	6	fair	no	yes	fair
283	Wakefield	51	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	yes
284	Geo. G. Bryan	52	yes	partly	partly	5	fair	fair	yes	yes
287	Warren	30	no	no	partly	6	fair	fair	yes	yes
288	Thos. S. Staples	18	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
289	Maj. Bartlett	48	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
290	Fred. Hecker	45	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
292	Thos. A. Read	24	no	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	fair
294	Col. Geiger	3	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	partly	yes
296	Capt. Blandowsky	20	no	no	no	1	yes	no	partly	yes
297	John S. Phelps	20	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
298	Stewartsville	15	no	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes
299	C. A. Arthur	83	yes	yes	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
301	Capt. Chas. Demny	47	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
304	John A. Logan	51	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
305	Ben. Grigsby	27	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
308	Franklin	6	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	no
309	J. A. Richards	24	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	no
310	Maj. A. B. Carroll	32	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
312	Dan. McCook	40	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
313	Wm. F. Lane	24	no	no	partly	.....	partly	partly	partly	yes
314	John D. Rohye	30	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
317	Gen. Hunter	19	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	no	no	yes
318	Jesse M. Harbin	25	partly	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
320	Capt. Manwaring	74	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
322	Capt. J. M. Baird	34	no	partly	partly	5	partly	partly	yes	yes
323	Galena	30	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	yes
324	Geo. V. Pitts	17	no	no	no	.....	no	partly	yes	yes
326	J. Felix St. James	75	no	yes	partly	9	partly	fair	fair	no
329	Gordon Granger	82	partly	partly	no	6	fair	partly	yes	yes
330	Jonah W. Reser	47	no	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
332	James W. Owens	88	yes	no	no	4	yes	fair	yes	yes
337	James Ward	39	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
338	Lt. John Baxter	43	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
339	Houston	66	yes	partly	partly	3	yes	partly	yes	yes
340	Evans	37	yes	partly	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes
344	Franz Wilhelmi	32	yes	no	no	.....	no	no	no	yes
346	Iron	27	no	no	partly	6	no	partly	partly	yes
347	Levi F. Pennington	24	no	partly	partly	.....	no	no	partly	fair
348	Henry C. Beckett	76	no	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
350	Capt. James Johnson	27	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
351	Jos. Martin	26	partly	partly	no	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
354	Sergt. P. P. Mabrey	13	no	no	partly	.....	partly	no	yes	yes
355	Dixon	32	partly	no	partly	.....	no	no	fair	yes
358	R. L. Ferguson	36	no	no	partly	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
359	Splitlog .....	.....	yes	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
360	Daniel Miles	14	no	no	no	.....	fair	fair	no	fair
362	Sac River	18	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
364	Capt. McFarland	15	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	yes
365	Appleton	36	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
366	Upton	31	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
367	Roscoe	21	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
370	Sam'l Lewis	22	partly	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
371	Rocky Comfort	36	partly	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes

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yes	yes	yes	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	yes	\$ 7 65	\$ 23 00	\$ 64 79	\$ 25 00	no	no	good	274
ply	no	no	1 00	1 00	no			6 70	33 00	no	no	gloomy	277
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		7 00	37 10	26 85	no	no	good	278
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 80	no		10 00	24 95	10 00	no	yes	good	280
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			1 00	10 00	no	no	fair	281
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no			20 00	20 00	no	yes	fair	283
yes	yes	yes	1 75	1 00	no		10 00	17 82	30 00	no	no	good	284
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 20	no			30 00	50 00	no	no	good	287
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	yes	12 50	2 50	13 10	5 00	no	no	good	288
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		21 45	19 04	10 00	no	no	good	289
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		10 30	38 56	10 00	no	yes	good	290
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			45 45	16 00	no	no	improving	292
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		7 35	19 99	80 00	no	no	fair	294
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		6 60	1 21		no	yes	bad	296
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 50	no		29 42	32 35	85 45	no	no	good	297
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no			2 59	25 00	no	no	fair	298
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		20 00	34 60	1,125 00	no	no	good	299
yes	yes	yes	3 00	3 00	no		3 00	100 00	87 00	no	no	good	301
yes	yes	yes	3 00	1 00	yes	81 60	13 67	79 69		yes	no	good	304
yes	no	no	2 00	1 00	no		6 59	9 25	20 00	no	no	good	305
yes	no	no	1 50	1 00	no				5 00	no	no	bad	308
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 50	no				39 00	no	yes	not good	309
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		6 80		31 39	no	no	fair	310
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		10 00	10 60		no	no	good	312
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		2 00	8 00		no	no	good	313
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	yes	95	20 00	30 00		no	yes	good	314
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		27 00	22 00	35 00	no	no	not good	317
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		9 00	9 31	7 00	no	yes	good	318
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 80	yes	70 00	16 00	120 95	25 00	no	no	good	320
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	yes	5 50	5 50	1 00	45 00	no	no	gloomy	322
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		150 00	2 00		no	no	fair	323
yes	yes	yes	1 00	60	no		5 00	12 00	4 00	no	no	precipitous	324
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	yes	133 50	73 75	87 90	200 00	no	no	fair	326
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	yes	27 65	20 65	36 65	42 75	no	no	good	329
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		3 00	5 98	4 00	no	no	fair	330
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	yes	46 00	32 00	70 00	40 00	no	yes	fair	332
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 40	yes	75		70 00	72 15	no	no	good	337
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		20 00	16 76	5 00	no	no	fair	338
yes	yes	yes	1 75	1 00	no		25 00	7 50	500 00	no	no	good	339
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			4 74		no	no	good	340
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no				20 00	no	yes	not good	344
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no				50 00	no	yes	bad	346
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		5 75	23 78		no	no	not good	347
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		60 00	15 00	25 00	yes	no	good	348
yes	yes	yes	1 00	80	no			29 15	6 15	no	no	good	350
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50	no		10 00	7 75	20 00	no	no	good	351
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		2 00	20 74	9 20	no	no	good	354
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no			9 00		no	no	fair	355
yes	yes	yes	2 50	2 00	no		8 00		15 00	no	no	fair	358
yes	yes	yes	1 00	80	no		10 00	6 68		no	no	good	359
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		2 65	1 60		no	no	poor	360
yes	yes	no	1 00	1 00	no		7 50	4 50	15 00	no	no	good	362
ply	yes	no	2 00	80	no			4 58		no	no	bad	364
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 80	no			10 45		no	yes	good	365
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			4 45	300 00	no	yes	good	366
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 20	no		5 00	4 35		no	no	fair	367
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 20	yes	80	11 75	18 84	26 85	no	no	good	370
yes	yes	yes	4 00	1 60	no		1 50	5 70		no	no	good	371

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374	R. P. Carnes	23	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
375	Harwood	50	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
377	Capt J. W. Robertson	25	no	no	no	.....	partly	partly	partly	yes
378	Iuka	22	no	no	no	.....	no	yes	yes	yes
379	Capt. Tom Walker	46	partly	partly	partly	.....	partly	no	yes	yes
382	Commerce	28	partly	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
383	Jas. A. Dollans	20	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
384	Dawn	61	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
386	Albert Harrison	41	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
387	Marceline	57	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
389	Geo. E. Wells	16	partly	no	no	.....	yes	no	partly	yes
390	Jacob Yount	42	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
391	Pike	59	yes	partly	partly	7	yes	no	yes	yes
392	South West City	44	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
393	Capt. J. A. Bowers	34	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
395	Andrew Chester	31	yes	yes	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes
397	Brookline	14	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
403	Geo. Long	20	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	fair	yes
405	Durbin A. Ward	32	partly	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
406	Corporal Doke	15	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	no
408	Col. Kreckel	41	yes	yes	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes
410	John H. Kendall	24	yes	no	no	.....	fair	fair	fair	yes
411	Capt. Kelsoe	45	no	no	no	.....	fair	fair	partly	yes
412	Downing	25	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
413	Richland	24	no	no	no	.....	no	no	fair	yes
414	David Hewitt	40	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
417	Smithton	25	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
418	Sgt. Clay Shaw	25	no	partly	partly	.....	no	no	no	no
419	Walden Emory	12	partly	no	no	.....	yes	no	partly	yes
420	Fred. Roether	39	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes
421	Capt. Bradway	28	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	partly	partly	yes
422	J. B. Dorr	20	no	no	no	.....	fair	fair	partly	partly
423	Florence	26	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	yes
424	Col. A. J. Webber	38	yes	no	partly	.....	no	no	yes	yes
425	Wm. Hawkins	62	partly	fair	partly	15	yes	yes	yes	yes
426	Hunnwell	24	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
427	Jno. C. Culver	21	partly	no	no	.....	no	yes	yes	yes
428	Thos. Gordon	28	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
429	John V. Hoover	56	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
431	Jos. S. Wray	18	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	no	no	yes
432	Columbia	27	partly	partly	partly	.....	partly	partly	partly	yes
433	David D. Porter	28	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
435	Thos. Shelton	21	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	partly	partly	yes
436	Jos. A. Mower	31	fair	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	fair
437	Simon Cameron	35	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	fair	partly	yes
438	Quincy	27	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	fair
439	C. M. Anderson	18	yes	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
441	Alton	33	yes	no	no	.....	.....	yes	yes	yes
442	Hume	21	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
444	Elwood Miller	28	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	fair	yes	yes
446	Obediah Gray	14	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
447	Capt. Bauer	19	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
453	E. E. Kimball	56	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
454	Calhoun	34	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
455	McClain	30	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
456	DeKalb	42	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	fair	fair
457	Warren T. Stewart	43	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
458	Col. J. P. Brownlow	16	partly	partly	partly	no	no	partly	yes

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yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		8 00	2 97	835 00	yes	yes	good	374
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		17 94	17 94	16 00	no	no	good	375
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		3 15	12 00	12 00	no	no	good	377
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		12 50	35 55	25 00	no	yes	good	378
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		5 00	41 50	65 00	no	no	fair	379
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		1 00	8 68	40 00	no	yes	fair	382
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		10 00	10 77	38 00	no	no	fair	383
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 50	no		20 00	6 00	30 00	yes	no	good	384
yes	yes	yes	1 00	80	yes	6 00	15 00	14 75	10 00	no	yes	fair	386
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	no		40 55	25 80	25 80	yes	no	good	387
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		7 80	1 10	10 00	no	no	not good	389
yes	yes	yes	1 00	40	no		10 00	21 70	25 00	no	no	good	390
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		20 35		100 00	no	no	good	391
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			3 32	9 20	yes	yes	fair	392
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		3 90	4 69	10 00	no	no	good	393
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 40	no		5 00	11 85	20 00	no	no	good	396
yes	yes	yes	1 50	40	no			7 90		no	no	not good	397
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		5 00	10 00	7 00	no	yes	fair	403
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		85 00	10 06	25 00	yes	no	good	405
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			24 45	110 00	no	no	good	406
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no		3 00	53 90	12 00	no	no	good	408
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		10 00			no	no	good	410
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no	7 00				no	yes	fair	411
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 20	no		2 00	85 00		no	no	good	412
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no			11 00	20 00	no	no	fair	413
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50	no				10 35	no	no	good	414
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 25	no			1 15	10 00	no	no	fair	417
yes	yes	yes	1 00	3 00	yes	1 05	30 00	1 05	10 00	yes	no	fair	418
yes	yes	yes	1 00	60	no			9 85		no	no	bad	419
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 20	no		2 85			no	no	fair	420
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		5 00	1 60		no	no	better	421
yes	yes	yes	1 00	40	no			5 00	5 00	no	no	not good	422
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		7 00	20 40		no	no	not good	423
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		24 75	25 90	40 00	no	no	fair	424
yes	yes	yes	1 50	60	no		25 00	47 85	200 00	yes	yes	good	425
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	no				50 00	no	yes	good	426
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no			11 46	3 00	no	no	good	427
yes	yes	yes	1 50	50	no			16 00	50 00	no	no	not good	428
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		20 50	13 77	6 00	no	no	fair	429
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	no			16 85	27 05	no	no	good	431
yes	yes	yes	1 50	2 00	no			3 65	9 00	no	no	fair	432
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	yes	14 50	5 25	11 65		no	yes	fair	433
yes	yes	yes	1 00	80	yes	7 13	12 00	7 13		no	no	fair	436
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no		2 00	6 25	75 00	no	no	fair	436
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	yes	2 50	50	29 45	33 50	no	no	fair	437
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		3 50	5 25	8 00	no	no	fair	438
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		13 15	10 90	21 00	no	no	good	439
yes	yes	yes	1 00	1 00	no			2 40	25 00	no	no	good	441
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		5 00	5 30	7 30	no	no	good	442
yes	yes	yes	3 00	4 00	yes	13 10	4 00	1 05	60 00	yes	yes	good	444
yes	yes	yes	1 00	40	no			1 40		no	no	good	446
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 20	no		4 00	17 08	27 20			good	447
yes	yes	yes	1 40	1 00	no			42 18		no	yes	good	453
yes	yes	yes	1 00	2 00	no		3 00	13 25	10 00	no	no	fair	454
yes	yes	yes	2 00	1 00	no		4 45	3 10	8 50	no	yes	good	455
yes	yes	yes	1 50	1 00	no		25 00	2 75	35 00	no	no	good	456
yes	yes	yes	2 00	2 00	yes	7 00	10 00		450 00	no	no	good	457
yes	yes	yes	1 25	1 00	yes	8 75	7 50	6 87	10 00	no	no	not good	458

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459	John Whaling.....	29	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	fair
461	Capt. J. S. Robb.....	31	partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
463	Robt. Taylor.....	50	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
465	Louis Duemler.....	35	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
466	Vandalia.....	28	no	partly	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
468	Maj. Leonard.....	26	no	no	no	.....	no	no	fair	yes
469	Lieut. Brooks.....	43	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
471	Ethel.....	16	no	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	no
473	L. A. Weathermon.....	19	partly	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
475	Gov. Andrew.....	30	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
477	Sumner.....	36	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
480	Gen. Hampton.....	38	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
482	John C. Fremont.....	27	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
484	W. D. Porter.....	16	yes	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes
485	Geo. B. McClellan.....	24	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
487	Dillard Bell.....	20	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
488	L. Stevenson.....	26	yes	yes	partly	1	yes	no	yes	yes
489	Maj. Ennis.....	34	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
493	Freeland.....	13	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	no
494	James H. Fort.....	16	no	no	yes	.....	fair	fair	yes	no
495	E. D. Brown.....	36	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
496	Col. Meumann.....	167	yes	yes	yes	5	yes	yes	yes	yes
500	Kinney Lucas.....	38	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
501	Servant Parker.....	15	partly	partly	yes	3	yes	yes	yes	yes
502	Daniel Dawson.....	12	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
506	T. Tietjens.....	25	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
508	John Brown.....	14	no	no	no	.....	no	no	partly	yes
510	Whitesville.....	27	yes	yes	yes	.....	no	no	yes	yes
512	Harrison A. Gleim.....	57	yes	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
514	Jesse Turnage.....	28	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
515	Liberal.....	25	no	no	no	.....	partly	yes	yes	yes
516	J. H. Crenshaw.....	46	partly	no	no	.....	yes	partly	fair	yes
517	Parnell City.....	28	no	no	no	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
520	F. M. Slagle.....	17	no	no	partly	.....	partly	no	partly	yes
521	Papinsville.....	14	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
522	Duncan.....	13	partly	no	no	.....	good	good	yes	yes
523	Thos. M. Bound.....	17	no	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
524	Drexel.....	28	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
525	Geo. W. Murphy.....	25	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
526	Geo. W. Walker.....	18	yes	no	no	.....	no	no	fair	yes
527	Boone Co.....	27	fair	no	no	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes
531	Belmont.....	43	no	no	no	.....	yes	partly	partly	no
533	Capt. John Turney.....	26	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
535	Sam'l Warner.....	27	partly	yes	partly	.....	partly	yes	yes	yes
536	Aldrich.....	29	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
537	Tecumseh.....	23	fair	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
538	Isabella.....	18	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes

	Are orders received regularly, read to the Post and filed?	Are they duly observed?	Have all reports and taxes been forwarded?	Amount charged for muster-in?	Amount charged for annual dues?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Total amount expended for charity?	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermaster?	Value of all other property owned by the Post?	Is there a Corps of the W. R. C. connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans and do you encourage the organization of same?	What are the prospects for the future?	No. of Post.
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$ 1 00	\$ 3 00	no	\$	\$ 2 00	\$ 96 91	\$ 69 00	no	yes	good	459
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no		5 00	1 10	14 70	no	yes	good	461
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	1 00	no					no	yes	splendid	463
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no		4 00	4 55	28 50	no	yes	good	465
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	2 00	no		5 00	23 60	30 00	no	no	good	466
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	20	no		16 58	5 75	10 00	no	no	not good	468
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	1 20	no		65	7 35	5 00	no	no	very good	469
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no			14 13		no	no	not good	471
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	1 00	no		3 00	5 50	60 00	no	yes	good	473
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no		4 10	11 25		no	no	fair	475
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	2 00	no		12 00	18 50	20 00	no	no	good	477
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	no	no			27 60		no	no	fair	480
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	2 00	no			27 00	25 00	no	no	good	482
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no			3 25	3 00	no	no	fair	484
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	1 60	no		10 50	10 75		yes	no	good	485
Yes	Yes	no	Yes	1 00	1 40	no		2 20	18 53		yes	no	good	487
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	4 00	yes	9 30		16 45	4 35	no	no	good	488
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	1 00	no		5 00	12 10		no	no	good	489
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	60	no				15 00	no	no	good	493
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	50	25	no			70	10 00	no	no	good	494
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no			1 25	25 00	no	yes	good	495
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	3 00	no		21 35	477 25		no	no	very good	496
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	2 00	yes	2 75	1 00	10 01	15 00	no	no	good	500
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	1 00	no			12 45		no	no	good	501
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	1 00	no		2 50		20 15	no	no	not good	502
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	1 00	yes	3 40	4 25	24 95	20 00	no	no	good	506
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	3 00	no		2 00			no	no	fair	508
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	1 20	no		1 58	16 08	125 00	no	no	good	510
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	yes	4 50	30 50	4 50	26 50	no	no	good	512
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 80	no		50 00	7 20	25 00	no	no	good	514
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no		1 15	4 65	15 00	no	no	fair	515
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 40	no		118 20		45 40	yes	no	good	516
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	1 00	no		4 00	5 55	25 00	no	no	fair	517
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no		5 50	10 00		no	no	good	520
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	1 00	no		1 00	9 30		no	no	good	521
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		1 00	no		5 00		3 00	no	no	fair	522
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	yes	5 00		7 00		no	no	good	523
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 40	no		3 50	8 27		no	no	fair	524
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	2 00	no		2 00	2 73	20 00	no	no	good	525
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no			1 25	50 00	no	no	fair	526
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	2 00	no					no	no	good	527
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	2 00	no			5 75	20 00	no	no	fair	531
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	yes	2 75		6 75		no	no	good	533
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no		2 50	8 60		no	no	good	535
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no			15 00		no	no	good	536
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	2 00	no			5 00		no	no	good	537
Yes	no	no	no	1 00	60	no					no	no	fair	538

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR, }
 OWASCO, Mo., April 1, 1893. }

Department Commander and Comrades:

Herewith I have the honor to submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1892. Reports have been received from 262 Post Surgeons. Number of deaths during the year, 232; number died from wounds, 20; number died from diseases contracted in the service, 150; number died from other causes, 62; number treated free of charge, 479; money value for above service, \$4,278.50.

A list of comrades who have died during the year, from all Posts reporting, is herewith enclosed.

Comrades, please accept the thanks of your comrade for the honor conferred on him by electing him to this post of honor and the courtesy received from all.

Yours in F., C. and L.

DR. E. F. LANE,
 Medical Director.

DEATH ROLL, DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
G. A. R., 1892.

No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
178	Acrie, J. L.	69	Private	E 13th Ky. Cav.	Heart Disease.
338	Alred, G. M.	56	Private	K 1st Ark. Cav.	Heart Disease.
444	Anderson, W. N.		Private		
189	Ansley, J. B.	53	Private	F 7th Ohio	La Grippe.
222	Arney, G. H.	75	Private	H 23d Mo.	Heart Disease.
173	Bader, Wm.	60	Lieut.	C 2d Mo. Inf.	Heart Disease.
100	Baker, G. W.	48	Private	Coch. Ind. Co.	Cancer.
294	Barber, Wm. H.	62	Private	E 8th Mo. Cav.	
56	Barron, P. I.	48	Private	C 30th Ky. Inf.	
326	Bearry, H.	56	Private	C 21st Mo. Inf.	Erysipelas.
1	Beerstadt, Wm. H.	56	Sergeant.	D 1st Mo. Cav.	
				I 105th N. Y. Inf.	
383	Bellen, E.	54	Private	G 11th Ken. Inf.	Hem'ge of Lungs.
146	Blaine, Wm. M.	48	Private		Paralysis.
72	Blake, Robt.	70	Private	B 37th Iowa Inf.	Heart Disease.
182	Bougher, Jno.	59	Private	D 11th Kan.	Consumption.
219	Boyd, H.	70	1st Lieut.	G 8th Mo. Cav.	Pneumonia.
425	Bradshaw, Wm. A.	76	Captain	H Osage Home G'ds	Fever.
1	Bremand, Edw.		Sergeant.	H 94th N. Y. Inf.	
227	Brenbacker, J.	62	Private	C 2d Mo. Inf.	Softening of Brain.
261	Brown, D. F.	51	Sergeant.	A 33d Ind. Inf.	La Grippe.
47	Burns, Joseph	52	Private	B 2d Mo. Cav.	Kidney Disease.
337	Bustner, H.	54	Private	E 123d Ill. Inf.	
516	Calvin, R. W.	49	Private	D 10th Ill. Inf.	Accident.
1	Carleton, C.		Private	L 4th U. S. Cav.	
43	Carr, Wm.	60	Private	A 48th Mo. Inf.	Pneumonia.
58	Chambers, W. N.	52	Private	H 42d Ohio	La Grippe.
34	Churchward, J. A.	60	Private	E 2d N. Y. Inf.	Heart Disease.
240	Clark, J. M.	62	Lieut.	B 15th Ohio Inf.	Unknown.
332	Cleve, B.	66	Captain	L 54th E. M. M.	Brain Fever.
216	Cliblon, Geo.	66	Private	K 2d Kan. Inf.	Lung Disease.
373	Climer, E. G.	53	Private	F 43d Ind.	Pneumonia.
173	Coakes, S. B.	63	Sergeant.	I 101st Penn Inf.	General Debility.
21	Coburn, O.	60	Private	A 20th Iowa Inf.	Fracture of Thigh.
518	Combes, A. C.	65	Private	F 42d	
371	Cook, F. C.	55	Private	K 2d Mo. Art.	Pneu. & La G'pe
293	Coon, Adam	50	Private	C 23d Mo.	Consumption.
402	Cooper, J.	60	Sergeant.	A 4th Art.	
133	Cornflon, Jas.	49	Private	D 18th Ind. Inf.	Typhoid Fever.
1	Cottam, R. D.		Private	K 3d U.S.R.C. Mo.V.	
53	Cousley, W. I.	52	Lieut.	I 4th Mo. Inf.	Accident.
375	Craig, L. E. W.	52	Private	I 39th Ill. Inf.	Consumption.
53	Crow, David.	52	Private	E 107th N. Y.	Pneumonia.
61	Cunningham, M W	53	Private		4th Minn.
254	Cupp, David	51	Private	H 35th Mo. Inf.	Typhoid Malaria.
54	Darrah, Robt.		Private	C 45th E. M. M.	Heart Disease.
97	David, J. C.				
178	Davis, B. B.	65	Private	L 7th M. S. M.	

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No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
118	Davis, J. B.		Private	I 1st Ark. Cav.	Brain Fever.
310	Demm, C				Chronic Diarrhoea
4	Dickenson, M. H.	54	1st Lieut.	K 1st Kan.	Consumption.
202	Dodge, Jno	64	1st Sergt.	I 49th Mo. Inf.	Heart Disease.
1	Doepke, F. W.		Private	C 3d Mo. Inf.	
221	Douglass, Luther.	60	Private	G 51st M. M.	
287	Drake, Geo	50	Private	I 16th Ind. Inf.	Conges. of Lungs.
1	Duestrow, Louis.	56	Colonel	5th Mo. Mil.	
1	Eagle, Joseph		Private	A 8th Mo. Inf.	
13	Eisenhut, Jno	77	Musician	G 2d U. S. R. C.	
289	Eldridge, Jno	54	Private	C 97th Ill. Inf.	Conges. of Bowels.
320	Emo, Peter		Private	E 4th Mo. Inf.	Blood Poisoning.
134	Erkine, Irvin.	51	Private	B 3d N. Y. Cav.	Lung Disease.
7	Ernst, Chas. F.	54	Captain	D 12th Mo. Cav.	
410	Evans, W. I.	48	Private	B 48th Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
2	Fisher, Aug				
65	Fiske, Wm	70	Private	K 50th Ill.	La Grippe.
326	Fleeg, J	60	Private	K 21st Mo. Inf.	Internal Injuries.
131	Francis, J. W.	61	Lieut.	I 8th E. M. M.	Heart Disease.
3	Francis, Thos. E.	55	Private	G 18th Iowa Inf.	Pneumonia.
231	Freeman, Jno	70	Private	D 18th	Asthma.
378	French, E. H.	63	Private	A 14th Kan. Cav.	Disability.
13	Fretyinger, Jno	49	Private	A 2d Mo. Art.	Accident.
301	Fritsch, J	54	Captain	B 41st Mo. Inf.	
131	Fruechete, T. L.	53	Sergeant	A 1st M. S. M.	General Debility.
131	Fry, B. St. James	68	Chaplain	63d Ohio Inf.	Brain Disease.
261	Fugato, B. F.	60	Private	I 8th M. S. M.	
131	Garfield, G. A.	46	Private	L 4th Mass. Cav.	
227	Gasemeyer, P	73	Private	B 1st Mo. Cav.	Heart Disease.
58	Gates, F. M.	61	Pr.Sgt.Mj.	D 61st Ill. Inf.	
58	Gipson, J. N.	45	Musician	D 7th Ill. Inf.	Jaundice.
379	Gooden, J. H.	73	Private	I 10th Ind. Inf.	Accident.
426	Gore, Wm. H.	73	Private	C 12th M. S. M.	Heart Disease.
117	Graves, Thos.	56	Private	C 2d Vt. Inf.	
500	Greene, Jas. F.	45	Private	F 20th Ill. Inf.	Jaundice.
1	Groth, Hy.		Private	K 42d Mo.	Accident.
468	Haden, M. B.	56	Private	B 1st Mo. Lt. Art.	
15	Hahn, Fred		Private	B 42d Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
58	Hale, G. W.	57	Private	A 26th N. Y.	Malarial Fever.
222	Halfula, G. W.	49	Private	D 13th N. Y. H. A.	Heart Disease.
8	Hansen, A. J.	59	Captain	H 23d Mo.	Heart Disease.
348	Hanson, Jas. B.	72	Private	H 2d N. H. Inf.	La Grippe.
13	Harvey, David	62		I 7th Mo. Inf.	Gen'l Debility.
240	Heauer, E	51	Private	I 7th Mo. Inf.	Accident.
180	Heller, Jno.	65	Private	D 3d Home Guards.	Pneumonia.
293	Henderson, Jno.	55	Private	F 56th I. C.	
3	Henry, Story K.	57	Private	K 40th Mo.	Fever.
218	Herald, Nelson	70	Sergeant	H 5th Penn. Cav.	Rup. of Blood Ves.
227	Hincker, Geo.	72	Private	H 1st Mo. Cav.	Suicide.
				B 2d Mo. M. S. M.	Pneumonia.

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No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH
131	Hobbs, S.	59	Private	H	47th Ill. Inf.	
1	Hoffman, E. N.	49	Private	C	22d Ill. Inf.	
442	Hogen, A. C.	70	Colonel		19th Kan. Inf.	La Grippe.
506	Holden, Wm	67	Private	K	10th Ill. Inf.	La Grippe.
2	Horstmann, Aug.	57	Captain		45th N. Y. Inf.	Heart Disease.
240	Hubin, J. G.	51	Sergeant	A		Pneumonia.
1	Hunnicke, Jul	52	Captain	H	2d Mo. Inf.	
107	Hunnewell, B. F.	49	Lieut.	E	103d Penn. Inf.	Insanity.
407	Ichord, Jno	47				Consumption.
299	Jennam, J. N.	56	Lieut.	H	6th Kan. Cav	Bright's Disease.
299	John — St.	74	Private	B	H. Mo. Cav	
18	Johnson, Frank	49	Private	E	64th Ohio	Consumption.
83	Johnston, S. G.	57	Private	G	13th Ill. Inf.	Heart Disease.
479	Jones, J. M.		Private			Chronic Diarrhœa.
189	Jourdon, W. D.	81	Private	G	Phelps	Old Age.
54	Jump, Thos		Private	D	18th Mo. Inf.	Lung Disease.
182	Karch, Chas	48	Private	B	25th Mo. Inf.	Accident.
1	Kaune, F.		Private	C	1st Mo. Lt. Art.	
13	Keiver, Jos	62	Private	I	1st Mo. Lt. Art.	Malarial Fever.
5	Kempton, Allen.				5th Vt.	
402	Kinder, E.	53	Private	D	64th U. S.	La Grippe.
80	Kishane, S.	59	Private	B	30th Ind.	Lung Disease.
193	Kittegardes	55	Private	F	2d Mo. Lt. Art.	Consumption.
1	Kramer, Geo. A.	60	Artificer	B	1st Mo. Lt. Art.	
13	Lang, Jno	57		B	2d U. S. R. C.	Disease of Liver.
4	Lawson, Julius	62	Private		Chicago B. T. Bat.	Lung Disease.
257	Ledgerwood, M.		Private	B	18th Iowa Inf.	Paralysis.
282	Lee, J. A.	62	Private		24th Ohio Bat.	Catarrh of Stom.
13	Lendi, Frank	55		G	3d U. S. R. C.	Assassinated.
444	Lendsey, Wm	72	Private	A	153d Ohio	
69	Levan, R. W.					
532	Lottmson, Geo.	47	Private	C	55th R. E. M. M.	Dropsy.
13	Low, Jno	49	Private	C	2d Mo. Lt. Art.	Debility.
50	Lowery, Larkin	54	Private			Cancer.
2	Lundt, Erich	48	Private	C	41st Mo. Inf.	
13	Mark, Emil	56	1st Lieut.	A	1st U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
308	McMurphey					Pneumonia.
1	Meyer, Bern		Private	A	5th U. S. R. C. M. V.	
53	Middleton, R. D.	72	Private	K	1st Mo. Eng.	Heart Disease.
487	Millen, Frank	79	Private	A	17th Ill. Cav	Pneumonia.
173	Miller, L. W.	63	Private	F	2d Ill. Art.	Chronic Diarrhœa.
229	Morris, J.	61	Private	A	14th Penn. Cav.	General Debility.
13	Myer, Jno	70	Private	H	27th Mo. Inf.	
				B	2d Mo. Inf.	Inj. Rec. dur. War.
131	Mykins, Wm.	57	Private	F	8th Mo. Inf.	Kidney Disease.
4	Nial, W. F.	49	Corporal.	H	152 Ind.	Paralysis.
86	Nolte, Henry	62	Sergeant.	D	14th Ill. Cav.	Rupture.
47	Overtreet, T. M.	56	Private	F	12th Mo. Cav	Consumption.
289	Owsley, E. H.	46	Private	C	46th Mo.	Malaria Pois'ng.
366	Packett, Jas	60	Private	D	42d Ill. Inf.	La Grippe.

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
180	Page, J. W.	56	Private	D 148th Ind	Pneumonia.
813	Paynor, Jno	73	Private	E 8th Mo. Cav	Heart Disease.
69	Pettijohn, Jno. R.				
47	Pierce, A. G.	67	Sergeant	A 1st Mo. Cav	Neuralgia of Stom.
11	Pirner, C. M.	70	Private	E 14th Reg. Mo. Inf.	Heart Disease.
131	Pope, Jno.	70	Maj. Gen.	U. S. A.	Kidney Disease.
107	Priess, Ferd	76	Private	D 2d Mo. Inf.	Cancer.
239	Pruitt, J. F.	43	Private	G 139th Ind. Inf.	La Grippe.
13	Queenser, Fred.	76	Private	D 2d Mo. Inf.	G. S. W. Rec. during War.
407	Ragland, Jos	60	Private		Apoplexy.
13	Rausch, Emil	60	Private	HF 1st U. S. R. C.	Typhoid Fever.
2	Reynolds, W. M.	56	Private	K 6th Ohio Inf	Asthma
261	Richards, L.	54	Private	C 8th M. S. M.	Accident.
471	Richardson, H.		Private	K 42d Mo	
5	Richardson, Jno.	49	Private.	I 2d Vt. Vol.	R. R. Collision.
13	Riska, Matt	71	Private	G 2d Mo. Inf.	Accident.
167	Robertson, Dan.		Private	D 2d Ill. Art.	
16	Rose, Geo				
233	Ruche, Frank	54	Lieut.	B 2d E. M. M.	Throat Disease.
182	Rudolph, Chas.	48	Private	F 5th Mo. Cav	
118	Russell, Andrew.	65	Private	I 14th Ill. Inf	Cancer.
2	Rutledge, W. V.	57	Sergeant.		Chronic Diarrhoea
131	Sapp, S. N.	48	Private	K 104th Ill. Inf.	Pneumonia.
233	Schafer, H.	55	Private	D 30th Mo.	Dropsy.
326	Scheaffer, F.	66	Private	E 2d Mo. Inf., Res.	Hernia.
58	Searses, R. W.	68	Private	K 54th Ohio Inf.	
				G 17th Ohio Inf.	Abscess.
21	Sergle, Dan	51	Sergeant.	E 60th N. S. C. I.	Consumption.
67	Shandy, D	55	Private	I 43d M. S. M.	Heart Disease.
181	Shepherd, Jno.	60	Private	C 23d Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
173	Sheppelmann, H.	60	Sergeant	F 2d Ill. Art.	Heart Disease.
394	Slinkard, P.		Private	B 4th M. S. M.	Cancer.
346	Smith, D.	41	Private	I 50th Mo. Inf.	
405	Smith, L. D.	56	Private	D 5th Mo.	Consumption.
233	Smith, W. S.	56	Lieut.	K 40th Mo. Inf.	Assassinated.
427	Snell, Jacob	56	Private	L 1st Minn.	Cancer.
167	Sparks, Wm	72	Private	E 33d Mo. E. S. M.	
13	Stadler, M.	61	Private	B 5th Mo. Inf.	
				H 2d Mo. Inf.	Typhoid Fever.
21	Starkey, M. B.	41	Private	B 39th Iowa Inf.	
332	Steinhaus, Aug	62	Private	C 3d U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
118	Sterns, Lewis	54	Private	A 7th Iowa Cav.	Fever.
54	Stewart, Wm. C.	45	Private	F 19th Iowa	Consumption.
21	Swallowood, A. B.	69	Private	E S. M. S. M. Cav.	
80	Swift, M. E.	65	Captain	G 1st Mo. Eng. M. S. M.	Heart Disease.
329	Sullivan, D.	61	Captain	K 8th Ill. Cav.	Consumption.
339	Sullivan, J. D.	58	Corporal.	K 16th Mo. Cav.	Spine and H't Dis.
403	Sunford, Geo.	50	Private	A 6th Mo.	Consumption.
48	Taylor, R. S.	53	Lieut.	I 130th Ill. Inf.	Blood Poisoning.
150	Taylor, Thos	51	Lieut.	F 2d Mo. Cav.	Lung Disease.

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME.	Age.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
173	Thiesson, H.....	60	Corporal	K	5th Cav. M. S. M.	Heart & Liver Dis.
457	Turner, Geo. W....	62	Private	C	120th Ill. Inf.....	Malaria Fever.
54	Turner, Jas.....	...	Captain	I	6th Iowa Inf.....	Gun Shot Wound.
1	Ulman, E. S.....	...	Private	A	11th Pa. Inf.....	.....
54	Valentine, H.....	47	Private	D	18th Mo. Inf.....	.....
324	Vering, Wm.....	59	Private	G	12th Mo. Inf.....	Heart Disease.
273	Verschelden, H....	54	Sergeant	L	5th M. S. M.....	.....
13	Voat, C. M.....	67	Private	A	2d Mo. Art.....	La Grippe.
408	Voulchan, C.....	52	Private	G	4th Regt. Cav.....	Heart Disease.
291	Walls, Jno. M.....	62	Sergeant	H	3d M. S. M.....	Pneumonia.
12	Walker, W. W.....	...	Private	...	.....	Cancer.
167	Waters, Ellmon....	77	Corporal	E	6th M. S. M. Cav..	.....
254	Welch, Thos.....	53	Private	C	9th V. K. C.....	Dropsy.
317	Wensel, A. K.....	51	Private	A	20th Ohio Inf.....	Pneumonia.
131	Wetteroth, L.....	56	1st Lieut.	G	U. S. R. C. Mo.....	Lung Disease.
245	Williams, J.....	54	Private	...	3d Mo. Cav.....	Pneumonia.
457	William, J. B.....	52	Surgeon	F	35th Ken. Inf.....	Lung Disease.
240	Willis, Geo.....	59	Private	H	15th Kan. Cav.....	Unknown.
393	Whitiker, Jno.....	47	Private	G	33d Mo. Inf.....	Consumption.
454	Whitley, D. B.....	...	Private	...	.....	Pneumonia.
1	Woerheide, Jno....	67	Private	A	5th Mo. Cav.....	.....
33	Wolf, Lewis.....	59	Private	C	28d Ind. Inf.....	Lung Disease.

Junior Vice Department Commander Platt announced the following Committee on Address of the Department Commander: Comrades William Warner, Post 8; W. F. Henry, Post 3; Jno. E. Phelps, Post 69; Leo Rassieur, Post 1; George W. Martin, Post 57.

The Department Commander resumed the chair and announced the following committees:

On Assistant Adjutant General's Report: Comrades Thos. W. Evans, Post 7; W. H. Skinner, Post 124; J. W. Scott, Post 5.

On Inspector's Report: Comrades D. P. Stubblefield, Post 33; D. J. Doughty, Post 215; C. M. Burnham, Post 17.

On Reports of Medical Director, Judge Advocate, Chief Mustering Officer, and Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders: Comrades George Weber, Post 13; M. G. Netherton, Post 222; J. W. Toppass, Post 29.

The Assistant Adjutant General: Commander, in order to facilitate business I would move that a committee of five be appointed to whom all resolutions that may be offered in the Encampment shall be referred without debate.

The motion was carried and the following committee was appointed: Comrades Thos. S. Maxwell, Post 1; N. W. Taylor, Post 131; R. Baldwin, Post 78; J. C. Wallace, Post 48; H. L. Tillotson, Post 26.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: Might it not be well to understand that there may be some resolutions so simple and plain that they would not have to be referred to that committee; and how could we determine this if the motion to refer is adopted without qualification?

The Department Commander: I think we had better refer everything.

Comrade Burton, Post 26: You can suspend the rules.

The Department Commander: The next order of business is the reception and reference of communications.

The Assistant Adjutant General: A resolution has been sent in to me, to the Department Headquarters, from a comrade who requests that I have it presented to the Encampment. If there are no objections I will read it.

The Assistant Adjutant General proceeded to read the resolution, as follows :

Resolved, That the proper officers of this Encampment be directed to prepare a blank for additional returns to be made by every Post, when semi-annual report is made, such additional return to show the names of all comrades, and widows of deceased comrades who are pensioners, the amount each is drawing, and for what disability drawn. Also, after the first report, showing the names of all who are added to or dropped from the Pension Rolls, or whose pension has been increased or decreased, or changed in any way, and the cause of all changes, and that the information gained by those reports be tabulated and promulgated by General Orders for the information of members of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Resolved, further, That the delegates from this Encampment to the National Encampment, be instructed to do all in their power to secure action providing for similar reports from all Encampments to National Headquarters, and that information gained by those reports be tabulated and promulgated by General Orders.

JNO. S. CHANDLER,

Past Post Commander, Lookout Post No. 85.

The Department Commander: If there is no objection this will be referred to the proper committee. There being no objection, it is so ordered.

The Department Commander: The next order of business is the reports of committees. Are there any committees to report?

The Assistant Adjutant General: There are no committees ready to report; they have not yet had a chance to perform their duties. I would make a motion, at this period, in order to facilitate business, that nominations now be made for representatives to the National Encampment, or as soon as the Encampment sees proper, in order that a list of these nominations may be printed for the use of the delegates in preparing their ballots. I move, if there is nothing else in the way, that we now proceed to receive such nominations.

Comrade Henry, Post 3, moved that nominations for representatives to the National Encampment follow immediately the report of the Committee on Credentials. The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Department Commander: The Assistant Adjutant General will now present the report of the Council of Administration.

The report of the Council of Administration was then read by the Assistant Adjutant General, as follows:

JOPLIN, Mo., April 12, 1893.

To the Twelfth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

The Council of Administration respectfully submits the following report:

The first meeting of the Council was held at Chillicothe, Mo., on call of the Department Commander. The members present were C. W. Whitehead, Department Commander; Louis Benecke, Senior Vice Department Commander; Jno. P. Platt, Junior Vice Department Commander; Thos. H. Hagerty, Chaplain; Thos. B. Rodgers, Assistant Adjutant General; W. F. Rogers and Francis P. Becker, elected members. Department Commander Whitehead presiding.

On motion the action of the preceding Council of Administration in regard to engaging hotel headquarters for the Department at the Twenty-sixth National Encampment, was approved.

On motion, the Council voted to allow Comrade Stephen Dellacella, Department Color Bearer, ten dollars, being the amount paid by him for hire of horse on parade at Detroit Encampment.

On motion, the Department Commander was authorized to inquire into the condition of the Mesner loan at Kansas City, and take such action as he may deem necessary.

On motion the Council adjourned.

The next meeting of the Council was held at Joplin, Mo., April 11th, 1893, the following members being present: C. W. Whitehead, Department Commander; Jno. P. Platt, Junior Vice Department Commander; Dr. E. F. Lane, Medical Director; Rev. Thos. H. Hagerty, Chaplain; Thos. B. Rodgers, Assistant Adjutant General; W. F. Henry, Inspector; Chas. G. Burton, Judge Advocate; S. D. Webster, Chief Mustering Officer; Francis P. Becker, W. B. Rogers, A. B. Parkell and Jno. P. Tracy, elected members. Department Commander Whitehead presiding.

The following proceedings were had:

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Department Commander Whitehead reported the condition of the Mesner loan of \$2,000, he having received interest on same due April 7th, 1893, and \$500 on the principal, and agreed to extend the balance of \$1,500 at same rate of interest for one year.

On motion the action of the Department Commander was approved.

The Department Commander, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, annulled the Charters of the following

Posts for failing to make reports, the Posts having been duly notified as required by the rules and regulations: Post 256, McFall; Post 399, Clearmont; Post 401, Van Buren; Post 503, Doe Run.

The following Posts were suspended for failing to make reports:

Post No. 52, Callao; Post 114, Poplar Bluff; Post 99, Richwoods; Post 167, Rosendale; Post 474, Sheldon; Post 486, Bonne Terre.

On motion, the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to employ comrade C. C. Cowen, as stenographer to report the proceedings of the Twelfth Annual Encampment.

The Council recommends that hereafter the Department Inspector be paid the sum of \$200 for his services and expenses incurred in the inspection of the Posts.

The Council also recommends that the present Inspector, Comrade W. F. Henry, be allowed the sum of \$200 for his services and expenses as Inspector for the past year.

The Council, on motion, recommend to the Encampment the following appropriations for the ensuing year, being the same amounts heretofore appropriated: For the relief and burial of friendless Union Soldiers, \$150; for the traveling expenses of the Department Commander, \$250.

The Assistant Adjutant General reported the Posts entitled to the three prizes offered by the last Department Encampment, as shown by the reports, which was approved, and the Department Commander was requested to present the prizes to the Posts on the first day of the Encampment before the afternoon adjournment.

Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, of St. Louis, showing gain of 115 new members to receive the first prize.

Col. Meumann Post No. 496, of St. Louis, showing gain of 62 new members to receive the second prize.

Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, of St. Louis, showing gain of 51 new members to receive the third prize.

The Department Commander appointed Comrades S. D. Webster, Chas. G. Burton and W. F. Henry, a committee of the Council to examine and audit the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.

The Committee made the following report, which was, on motion, approved:

JOPLIN, Mo., April 11, 1893.

To the Council of Administration, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

Your Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General respectfully report that we have performed the duty assigned to us. We find vouchers for all sums paid out, and the books well kept. We find that on page 125 of his Cash Book, and on the debit side he has made a mistake in addition in the sum of ten (10) cents in his favor.

We are unwilling to believe that Comrade Rodgers intended this mistake in order to convert to his own use the sum of ten cents. We are all the more so unwilling to believe, because on page 129 of said Cash Book, on the debit side thereof, we find that he has made a mistake in the footings against himself of twenty (20) cents, leaving him out of pocket the net aggregate sum of ten (10) cents which we recommend he be allowed to recoup out of any moneys not otherwise appropriated.

In all other respects we find his accounts correct, and we recommend that the same be approved.

Fraternally submitted,
 CHARLES G. BURTON,
 S. D. WEBSTER,
 W. F. HENRY,
Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General and Recorder.

Past Department Commander Rassieur moved that the report be adopted.

Seconded:

Past Department Commander Warner: I move that the report be adopted with this modification, that the error of ten cents made by the Assistant Adjutant General, in favor of himself, be refunded into the treasury, and the error of twenty cents made against himself stand as it is. (Laughter.)

The Assistant Adjutant General: I accept the amendment.

The Department Commander: As there is no second to the amendment we will now vote on the original motion. Upon being put to vote the original motion was carried.

Past Department Commander Rassieur: One of the Aides-de-Camp to the Commander-in-Chief has informed me that the Commander-in-Chief will be present in Joplin at 11:45 A. M., and as I believe we have now no other business that can be attended to, I desire to move that we now take a recess until half-past one o'clock, and that the Encampment go to the depot and welcome the Commander-in-Chief.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Department Commander: We will now stand adjourned, form in line in front of the Opera House, and march down to the depot.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Encampment was called to order at 1:30 P. M., by the Department Commander.

The "Ransom Post Howlers" being called for, rendered the following songs: "Flag of our Union forever," and "We are tenting to-night on the old camp ground."

The Department Commander: The order of business is the reports of committees.

The Committee on the Assistant Adjutant General's Report, presented following report:

JOPLIN, Mo., April 12, 1893.

C. W. Whitehead, Department Commander, Dep't of Mo., G. A. R.:

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Assistant Adjutant General for the past year, beg leave to submit the following:

We have examined said report as well as could be done in the limited time allowed us, and find that it is a concise, complete and orderly statement of the condition of Department affairs, not open to criticism.

We heartily commend to the favorable consideration of the Posts of this Department, the suggestion of the Assistant Adjutant General, that a certain sum be agreed upon by each Post as the fee to be exacted of delinquent comrades who desire to be re-instated.

We think the prizes offered by the last Annual Department Encampment, to the three Posts showing the greatest increase in membership has been productive of greater emulation and zeal among the Posts of the Department, and we earnestly urge that this Encampment renew the offer of these prizes during the coming year.

THOS. W. EVANS,
W. H. SKINNER,
J. W. SCOTT,

Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was received and adopted.

Past Department Commander Rassieur: I beg to offer this motion: That a committee of ten be appointed to wait upon the Commander-in-Chief and escort him to the hall.

The motion was carried and the Department Commander appointed the following comrades as such committee:

Leo Rassieur, Post 1; Wm. Warner, Post 8; J. F. Cluley, Post 131; Louis Grund, Post 13; H. S. Tipton, Post 4; G. W.

Martin, Post 57; Ira K. Alderman, Post 21; Jno. E. Phelps, Post 69; J. P. Tracy, Post 69; W. Woodard, Post 16.

Past Department Commander Warner: Before going out on this committee, I am instructed by the Committee on the Address of the Department Commander to submit the following report to the Encampment:

JOPLIN, Mo., April 12, 1893.

Commander and Comrades:

The undersigned, your Committee on the Address of the Department Commander, beg leave to submit that they have examined the suggestions, views and recommendations as set forth therein, and commend the same as being a very able and thorough presentation of the subjects mentioned in said report.

We note with pleasure the recommendation of the Department Commander with reference to placing the flag of our country over the public school buildings, and especially commend to the Posts throughout the Department the sentiment as expressed by the Commander in relation thereto: "It is hoped that this practice will continue and spread until our flag 'old glory' shall be found floating over every public school building in this Department."

With reference to the recommendation, regarding the appointment of trustees as an additional safe-guard to the finances of the Department, we suggest, that for the present, it be made the duty of the Assistant Quartermaster General to prepare and submit to each incoming Council of Administration a complete statement of the Department Finances, with the character and value of the securities on loans of the same, whether taxes for prior years have been paid or not, and all information which will aid the Council of Administration to act intelligently on the same. Since the charter of the Department is not within our reach we recommend that the matter of the appointment of trustees be referred to the Judge Advocate with instructions to report thereon at the next Annual Encampment.

We submit for adoption by the Encampment the following resolution, to-wit:

Resolved, That the thanks of the comrades of this Department, be and the same, are hereby tendered to the Department Commander, Comrade Whitehead, for the faithful, earnest and patriotic discharge of his duties during his term of office.

WM. WARNER,
LEO RASSIEUR,
GEO. W. MARTIN,
W. F. HENRY,
JOHN E. PHELPS,

Committee.

And I am instructed to move the adoption of the report.

The motion was seconded, put to vote by Junior Vice Department Commander Platt, and carried by a rising vote, as moved by Comrade Hagerty.

The Committee on Inspector's Report present the following report:

JOPLIN, Mo., April 12, 1893.

To the Twelfth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

Your Committee to whom was referred the report of the Department Inspector, beg leave to submit the following:

That after a careful examination we find the report a good inspection, and commend the Inspector for his energy in securing the inspections of so many Posts. We recommend that the present system be continued. All of which is respectfully submitted,

D. P. STUBBLEFIELD,

C. N. BURNHAM,

D. J. DOUGHTY,

Committee.

Motion to adopt the report was made and seconded.

Comrade Henry, Post 3: It occurs to me that possibly that may conflict with the resolution adopted by the National Encampment. My recollection is that the National Encampment provided another way for making inspections, and whether this Department should deviate from the National Encampment plan is a question that I think we ought to consider. The National Encampment, if I recollect right, provided at its last Encampment at Washington, D. C., that the installing officer of each Post should, at the time of the installation, make the inspection of the Post. Now, if that should be followed, then this would deviate from them in that regard. It strikes me that that report ought to be amended to that extent, and this Department follow the plan laid down by the National Encampment. I am not quite certain what we ought to do with this.

The Assistant Adjutant General: We made our inspection under a resolution of the Encampment because we had commenced it before the National Encampment had taken this action. My understanding is that the committee means by the "present system," that adopted by the National Encampment.

Comrade Stubblefield, Post 33: That was the understanding of the committee, and I think it is sufficiently plain as it is. If, however, it is desired to make it any plainer, the committee will not object to such an amendment.

Comrade Henry, Post 3: In order that there may be no misunderstanding, I move that the report be so amended as to conform to the action of the National Encampment.

The Assistant Adjutant General moved that the report be amended so as to read: "We recommend that the present system of inspection by the installing officers, as provided by the last National Encampment, be continued."

Which motion was seconded and the report as amended was adopted.

The Committee to escort the Commander-in-Chief to the Encampment announced his presence, and he was conducted to the platform amid general applause.

The Department Commander: I have the honor, and the pleasure, of presenting to you our Commander-in-Chief, comrade Weissert. (Applause.)

The Commander-in-Chief: Commander and comrades: I know you do not expect the Commander-in-Chief to make any extended remarks to you at this time. I am opposed to interrupting the business of any Encampment for speech-making purposes. But I do want to say a few words on matters that I think come home to the heart of every one who attends his Post meetings. And in looking over the reports of the Department of Missouri as returned by the Department Commander for the term ending December 31st, 1892, I find that there is a loss; there is a loss in a good many of the Departments; and the question naturally arises what is the cause of that loss, and how may it be remedied? I can not say how such matters are going to be remedied, but I will tell you, comrades, what I think, and I am sure that you will agree with me as to the cause of the loss. When you hold your elections, especially in many of the country Posts, in looking around for comrades to fill the various positions it often occurs that you will put in a "good fellow," and that is where we all make a mistake; and I am sure that if you were to ask Past Commander-in-Chief Warner.

or any of the Past Commanders whom I am glad to see at this Encampment, they will tell you that in the Posts themselves you will find the cause of it in lack of interest in Grand Army matters; in fact you can attribute everything that is detrimental to the best interest of the Posts to the comrades themselves; and when we select a comrade to fill any position, no matter if it is for outside guard, we expect those comrades to fill those positions as the rules and the regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic require. How often is this done? Is it not the case, comrades, that you go to your Post room one, two, three, four; yes, half a dozen times during the year, and you will find one, two, three, four, or more, of the officers absent? And that will not be for one night only, but it will be for night after night; consequently we can see that the comrades themselves are to be blamed when matters get into this condition. But the worst of all, in my estimation, is this—that you and I, as comrades, have attended the Post meetings regularly for the entire year, and perhaps out of that entire year the Post Commander, or some one of the other officers have been in their stations but one or two times; I have known that to be the case, and I am sure you will agree with me that you will find this condition of things, that the comrades become Post Officers, Past Officers, and they wear on their breast the past jewel of their respective offices, and you do not find them in the Post rooms again perhaps for a year, if ever. Now, if I am right, then you are to be blamed; and I make this suggestion, so that in the future you will be more cautious; and if there be any comrades of that character within hearing of my voice I hope they will “turn over a new leaf,” “put their shoulder to the wheel,” and do better in the future. Now, comrades, you have within your Department about 21,000 comrades in the Grand Army of the Republic, in round numbers; you have in this Department, or you had in 1890, 47,345 pensioners; you have got a great many more now within the two years past, but some of those are women and children; you have in this Department 21,000 veterans of the late war—members of the Grand Army of the Republic—and you have men eligible to membership numbering over 61,000. Now, comrades, your Department Officers may work from morning till night, and I know that they have

rendered splendid service the last few years; they could not have done more for your Department, or for the Order in general; but remember that their efforts do not amount to anything unless every comrade stretches forth his hand and is willing to support them in every good measure that they may put forward. I ask you this afternoon, after you have elected your officers, and go from this Encampment to your respective Posts, let me suggest that you go with the determination to assist your Department Officers, and your Post Officers, in a manner that you never have done before; and that you will assist them in enlarging the membership of the Order in the Department of Missouri. (Voice—amen.) I am not going to say anything of the good fellowship in this Department, because I am happy to say that there is not a Department in all the Grand Army of the Republic where matters pertaining to the Order are in better condition than right here in "New Missouri." I said "Old Missouri" at the Jefferson City Encampment and I never have heard the last of it. Maj. Warner never allowed me to rest a moment while in his presence because I said "Old Missouri." (Laughter.) I am not here to make a speech, but take these suggestions home with you and if there is anything in the world you can do to further the interests of our Order we ask you to do it, and if you will, you will find that at the end of this term—June 30, 1893, Missouri will more than make up her loss, and she will keep her rank in the Departments of this Order. God bless you. (Applause.)

There were loud calls for Comrade Warner.

Past Department Commander Warner: Commander and Comrades, my reluctance in coming forward to-day was not because I did not want to make a speech, but it was more on account of the color of my uniform. (Laughter—and voice, "your heart is right.") I felt last evening, if the occasion had permitted it, and I thought it did, of being as profane as an Army Chaplain. (Laughter.) When I went home and tried to get into my Grand Army trousers I found that they lacked about four inches, in front, of coming together. (Laughter.) I asked my wife if I might wear them (laughter), and she said that if I did I would be in danger of being arrested for indecent exposure of my person. (Laughter.) This accounts for my

uniform; and I wish to say this for the benefit of comrade Rassieur and others whom I have not met since I arrived in Joplin this morning. Comrades, I certainly do not wish to detain you in a speech. I am glad of the royal welcome that you have extended to our Commander-in-Chief. I think there is no position in this Republic higher, more noble, and which a man has more right to feel proud of, than to stand at the head of this grand organization of the survivors of the Union Army and Navy of 1861 to 1865. (Applause.) And however illustrious some of the predecessors of comrade Weissert may have been, whether they wore one or two eagles upon their shoulder in service, or stars, I do not believe we had two eagles unless we got a little inebriated (laughter); but whether one, or two stars upon the shoulder, or eagle, or bar, or chevron for the sleeve, or carried a musket, they come to the Grand Army of the Republic in selecting for its head a Commander-in-Chief, regardless of rank held by the comrade during the war, looking merely to his standing as a comrade and a citizen. (Applause.) But no comrade who has preceded comrade Weissert has filled that office with more credit than the boy who, from Wisconsin, went out in the 8th Wisconsin, the old eagle regiment of that State. Comrade Weissert speaks of the "New Missouri;" boys, we are here, what there is left of us; we are here to have a good time, and we are going to have it. And after all, some of you are getting old; you can not all be young, as I am. (Laughter.) Many of you are getting very high foreheads; many of you, the frosts of years are settling down upon your heads, tracing down into your beards; but after all, comrades, the foliage of Spring, green and beautiful, is only a prophecy of the color that comes with the Autumnal frosts; it has come to us, comrades; let us touch elbows, profit by the advice as given us by our Commander-in-Chief, and go forward resolved that we will maintain the Grand Army of the Republic as it has been in the past, that it shall stand so long as there remains a survivor of the Army or Navy to march to the music of the Union to the glory of our Country. I thank you. (Applause.)

The report of the Committee on Credentials was presented by comrade Milner, and was, on motion, adopted as the roll of the Encampment.

The Department Commander: The next, and special order of business is the nomination of representatives to the National Encampment.

The nominations were as follows:

AUSTIN E. COOK, Post 131, St. Louis.
 THOS. W. EVANS, Post 7, St. Joseph.
 J. G. ZIMMERER, Post 13, St. Louis.
 FRED. FLAMMGER, Post 1, St. Louis.
 HENRY EVERS, Post 2, St. Louis.
 JAS. WILSON, Post 76, Kidder.
 E. B. WARD, Post 124, Bethany.
 D. J. DOUGHTY, Post 215, Farmington.
 JNO. M. SWALLOW, Post 44, Milan.
 JAS. H. READING, Post 384, Osceola.
 E. F. ROGERS, Post 4, Kansas City.
 WM. H. MENGEL, Post 276, California.
 JNO. P. TRACY, Post 69, Springfield.
 JACOB SNYDER, Post 66, Winston.
 EUPHRATES BOUCHER, Post 118, Mt. Vernon.
 D. S. HARRIMAN, Post 8, Kansas City.
 D. T. FERRIER, Post 210, Springfield.
 JAS. E. CALLAWAY, Post 80, Ravanna.
 A. L. MCBRIDE, Post 58, Butler.
 JAS. A. HUNTER, Post 142, Medoc.
 THOS. B. TUTTLE, Post 16, Carthage.
 ALBERT GORTY, Post 168, Braymer.
 JNO. C. BENNETT, Post 161, Buffalo.
 G. W. TRAVIS, Post 173, Cape Girardeau.
 J. N. HUMPHREY, Post 239, Mexico.
 ROBERT POWELL, Post 42, Macon.
 H. E. ROBINSON, Post 21, Maryville.
 JNO. W. TOPPASS, Post 29, Chillicothe.
 A. B. BARNES, Post 72, Trenton.
 LOUIS FISCHER, Post 128, Salem.
 E. J. SMITH, Post 53, Sedalia.
 E. D. GANAN, Post 329, Clinton.
 LOUIS BENECKE, Post 268, Brunswick.
 A. M. BROWN, Post 182, St. Joseph.
 H. R. TAYLOR, Post 343, St. Louis.

PHILARMON REYNOLDS, Post 203, Luray.

D. S. FLOWERS, Post 187, Pierce City.

W. W. KNOOP, Post 17, Cameron.

HARRY MITCHELL, Post 26, Nevada.

W. B. HATCHETT, Post 243, Willow Springs.

A. W. MARTIN, Post 5, Moberly.

JAS. E. DECKER, Post 219, Republic.

JOS. EVANS, Post 512, Tipton.

LEWIS BLAKELY, Post 282, Carrollton.

A. VAN METER, Post 34, Lamar.

G. B. SHERRY, Post 426, Hunnewell.

H. T. HOLMES, Post 6, Jefferson City.

Past Department Commander Phelps, placed in nomination comrade A. J. SMITH, Post 1, for representative-at-large.

Comrade Bailey, Post 131, placed in nomination comrade J. O. CHURCHILL, Post 131, for alternate-at-large.

On motion the nominations were closed.

It was moved that the first twenty names receiving the highest number of votes be declared the representatives, and the twenty receiving the next highest number of votes be declared the alternates.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: I move that we now proceed to the selection of the place at which to hold our next Annual Encampment. If it is in order I will now make the motion.

The motion was seconded.

Comrade Bailey, Post 131: I understand that nominations for representatives have closed. There is only one nomination for representative-at-large, and one for alternate-at-large. I move you, sir, therefore, that the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot of this Department Encampment for comrade A. J. Smith as representative-at-large, and comrade J. O. Churchill as alternate-at-large.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote as required by the motion, which being done, comrade A. J. Smith was declared duly elected as representative-at-large, and comrade J. O. Churchill as alternate-at-large.

The following paper was presented by Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 8, and referred to the Committee on Resolutions:

CONSOLIDATION OF POSTS.

SECTION 1. Two or more Posts may consolidate into one Post.

SEC. 2. Whenever a resolution shall be passed at a regular meeting of a Post in favor of consolidating the said Post with another Post, the Post Commander shall order an election to be held by the Post to determine, whether such consolidation shall be made, and shall appoint the time of holding said election and direct the Adjutant of the Post to notify each and every member of said Post in good standing, of the time when said election shall be held. Said notice shall be given the members, by a card, handed to each, or mailed to his address, if known, within ten days after the adoption of said resolution. The said election shall be held at a regular meeting at the Post rooms and not less than four weeks nor more than ninety days after the adoption of the said resolution. The Post Commander may direct such further notice by publication in newspapers, or otherwise, as he may deem proper, or as the Post by resolution may direct.

SEC. 3. Said election shall be by ballot, and if a quorum being present, two-thirds of the members present shall vote in favor of such consolidation, the Post Commander shall declare the proposition to consolidate adopted, and cause the Adjutant to certify the fact to the Department Commander.

SEC. 4. When the Department Commander shall receive notice that two or more Posts have by vote as heretofore directed, adopted a proposition to consolidate into one Post, he shall cause a charter for the consolidated Post to be issued to the Post Commander of the senior Post.

SEC. 5. The said consolidated Post shall receive such name and number as shall be agreed upon by the Posts so consolidating, subject to the rules and regulations.

SEC. 6. Upon the organization of a consolidated Post, the Posts so consolidated shall surrender their respective charters to the Department Commander, but the records and other property of the several Posts shall be retained by the consolidated Post.

SEC. 7. Each Post so consolidating, may, by resolutions, apply the money in the General Fund of such Post to the payment of the dues of its members, in the consolidated Post, but all money, and other property, belonging to each Post, at the time of the consolidation shall become the property of the consolidated Post, and in the case of the application by any Post of its funds to the payment of the dues of its members in the consolidated Post as above permitted, its individual members shall be credited on the book of the consolidated Post with the amount to which they are respectively entitled.

SEC. 8. When the Post Commander of the senior Post shall receive the charter of the consolidated Post he shall immediately fix the time of the first meeting of the consolidated Post, and notify the Post Commander of the other Post or Posts, and the Post Commanders of the several Posts shall cause the members of their respective Posts to be duly notified of the time and place of such meeting.

SEC. 9. The officers of the senior Post shall act as the officers pro-tem of the consolidated Post at its first meeting, and until officers are duly elected. All members in good standing of the Posts so consolidating shall be members of the consolidated Post.

SEC. 10. At its first meeting, the consolidated Post may fix, by resolution, the time for holding the election of officers for the consolidated Post.

The foregoing plan for the consolidation of Posts was approved by Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 8, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., at a regular meeting of the Post, and it was recommended by the Post that this or some other plan by which Posts can be consolidated, be presented to the National Encampment, by the representatives of this Department.

S. D. BOWKER,

Post Commander.

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: I understand, sir, that there are some prizes to be presented, and, as it is desirable that these prizes be presented in advance of the parade, I therefore, in order that that may be done, withdraw the motion I made a few moments ago.

Comrade Burton, Post 26: This Encampment, one year ago, offered three prizes, and the Council of Administration have ascertained and announced to whom they belong; and as it is the desire of the boys who have won these prizes, to bear them at the head of their column in the parade, it is desirable that the Commander present those prizes immediately before the parade; and we having no more time than sufficient to do it, I therefore move you that the Department Commander be instructed to present the prizes to the Posts that have won them.

The motion was put to vote and carried.

Past Post Commanders J. G. Zimmerer, Post 13; Chas. Bieger, Post 496, and F. M. Sterrett, Post 1, were then called to the platform.

The Department Commander: Comrade Zimmerer, in behalf of the Department of Missouri, I have the pleasure of presenting to Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, this beautiful silk banner. On account of your work during the last year your Post is entitled to this beautiful flag, being the first prize.

"No flag on earth shall insult this nation,
Justice and right shall e'er be our relation;
No creed or sect shall here ever reign,
While floats the stars and stripes without one stain."

Comrades of Hassendeubel Post bear this beautiful silk flag proudly to the breeze on all occasions.

Comrade Zimmerer, Post 13: Department Commander, and comrades, permit me, as the representative of Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, of St. Louis, to return our heartfelt thanks for this beautiful silk banner. It will be unfurled with pride at the head of our Post at our great National and Department Encampments of our grand organization. I do regret that all of you present here this evening can not be present with us in St. Louis, at our next Post meeting, to witness the hearty welcome this beautiful banner will receive. In thanking you once more, Department Commander, I assure you that this beautiful banner shall receive the best of care. I thank you. (Applause.)

The Assistant Adjutant General: Comrade Bieger, I feel highly honored in being requested by our Department Commander to present this flag to your Post; and it is with great pleasure that I hand it over to you as the representative of another of our Posts that has largely increased its membership, Col. Meumann Post No. 496, it being composed of active and zealous comrades, and a credit to the Department of Missouri.

Comrade Bieger, Post 496: Commander and comrades, I want to say that I believe I was the one that drove Comrade Zimmerer to receive the first prize. We are pleased with the second prize; but I want to say this, it is not myself or the few comrades of our Post that should have the credit of this revolution, but you can blame Comrades Rassieur and Rodgers for this, for they are the ones who have spurred us up so we have increased the membership of the G. A. R. about 300 in two years. I think that Comrades Rassieur and Rodgers are the

ones that ought to have the flags instead of Comrade Zimmerer and myself.

Junior Vice Department Commander Platt: Comrade Sterrett, in behalf of this Encampment I take pleasure in presenting to you, as the representative of Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, these guidons; and on the line of march they will give notice that with few exceptions it is the best Post we have in our Department. I am glad that I have the privilege of presenting these two guidons, and hope, so far as the future is concerned, that the Blair Post will always have its eyes right on the guidons, not only as concerns the future of the Post, but the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.)

Comrade Sterrett, Post No. 1: On behalf of Blair Post, I now thankfully accept these guidons from your hands. Only since the Commander announced my name a few minutes ago was I aware that it was my duty to reply to this presentation. Blair Post claims to be the mother of all the other Posts in the City of St. Louis, and while we are proud of our prize, we are exceedingly proud of our progeny. (Applause.)

The Commander-in-Chief: Inasmuch as this Department has served these three Posts so handsomely, I will now say to the Department Commander, that I will now have the three Posts that have been successful in this competition to each name a comrade for appointment on the Staff of the Commander-in-Chief as an Aide.

The Kansas City G. A. R. Quartette being called on, sang "It is the same old flag."

Past Department Commander Warner: As I understand the time has about come to take a recess, those who are good singers, and we are all good singers, let Commander Whitehead lead us, and we will all sing "Marching through Georgia."

Department Commander Whitehead leading, the Encampment then sang "Marching through Georgia."

On motion the Encampment adjourned to meet at nine o'clock. A. M., April 13, 1893.

MORNING SESSION, THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 1893.

The Encampment met pursuant to adjournment, at nine o'clock, A. M., and was called to order by the Department Commander.

The "Ransom Howlers" being called on, favored the Encampment with "We are tenting to-night on the old camp ground." And in response to repeated encores, sang "Our hearts are light and joyous, ever," and "Massa's in the cold, cold ground."

The Department Commander: Are there any committees ready to report?

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: If there are no committees to report, I move the adoption of the following: That we now proceed to the election of officers, beginning with the Department Commander, Senior Vice Department Commander, Junior Vice Department Commander, Medical Director, Chaplain, and the Council of Administration; and the next order of business with the election of representatives and alternates; and that while the vote is being counted upon the election of representatives and alternates, that we proceed to the selection of a place for holding the next Annual Encampment. I move the adoption of that order of business.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Department Commander: The next order of business, then, will be the election of officers. Nominations for Department Commander are now in order.

Past Department Commander Warner: Commander and comrades, I hardly think that a formal nomination for Department Commander before this Encampment is necessary upon this occasion. I think we are not only assembled to-day in one place, but of one mind upon this question.

I desire, sir, to place in nomination a comrade in all that that term implies; a comrade who did his duty upon the tented field, and who is honored as a citizen; a young man who went into the service from Ohio, fought during the war, cast his lot among the comrades in Missouri, and one whom we feel proud of as being a member of this organization: I know this, comrades; I know his executive ability; I know his affinities as a

gentleman; I know his open heart as a comrade; and I know further, that he has qualifications that peculiarly fit him for Department Commander. I had the distinguished honor of taking breakfast with that comrade this morning, and I heard him give the order for his breakfast; and when he came to eggs, with the wisdom of a Solomon, he ordered "soft boiled eggs well done." (Laughter.) A greater recommendation than this no man could have. (Laughter.) And when I speak of this peculiar quality, as well as the peculiar order given to the waiter, the name of comrade Burton of Nevada. (Applause.) Commander, it is not my purpose to make lengthy remarks in placing him in nomination, but I thought I would say this much, especially the latter part of my speech in justice to the comrade, as it was a matter that you were not familiar with. (Applause.)

Comrade Grund, Post 13: In behalf of Col. Hassen-deubel Post No. 13, I rise to second the nomination of comrade Burton. (Applause.)

Commander and comrades. I have known Judge Burton for years, and am satisfied that every word that comrade Warner has said, and especially about those eggs, is true (laughter); because I know just exactly as well as comrade Warner does the orders that Judge Burton generally gives on an occasion of that kind. (Laughter.) I make the motion that we suspend the rules, and that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of this Encampment for comrade Burton of Nevada, Missouri, for Department Commander.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried by a rising vote.

The Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot of the Encampment for comrade Charles G. Burton, who was declared unanimously the choice of the Encampment for Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Burton being loudly called for came forward on the platform.

Comrade Burton, Post 26: Comrades, there are times when I would prefer to remain silent; but I yield to your call, and bid you a comrade's greeting. You have selected me for

your Department Commander for the ensuing year; you have placed the baton of marshalship in my hands, and upon my badge the signet of authority; for this, comrades, I am grateful, far more grateful than acts of mine can indicate, or words may express. At any time, at all times; under any and all circumstances, I should greatly appreciate the honor which you have bestowed upon me; at this time, for reasons that are known to many of you, if not to you all; for reasons that appeal to every sentiment that is high and sacred in our common humanity; I accept this as a more than fraternal expression of your confidence, your esteem, and your good will. Comrades, the Grand Army of the Republic is grand in name; it was grand in its original inception; it has been grand in its accomplishments—in its magnificent realization. The mystic ties of memory, reaching from every camp fire, and every patriot's grave to every Post room, and every comrade's heart, when touched by the better angels of our nature swell the grand anthem of loyalty and fraternity. To perpetuate the Grand Army of the Republic to the utmost possible limits of its existence is not only our pleasure, it is our bounden duty. The frost that never melts is touching the hairs of the youngest of us; and in a few years, at the most, the last one of us will have pitched his tent upon the great camping ground of the silent. The deeds that we have done, and the principles that our organization inculcates, shall live after us, not only as a monument of things accomplished in the past, but as an encouragement in the ever-living present; a hope, an inspiration for the future. The Department of Missouri, owing to the constancy and the devotion of the comrades, the efforts, and the executive ability of those who have been called upon to be its officers in the past, has achieved a high position among the other Departments. Missouri has already given to the organization one Commander-in-Chief and one Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief. Our vote and our voice has ever been felt in the Councils of the National organization, and in the great parades—those grand object lessons for the schooling of the Nation, the steady tramp of the boys from Missouri, and the alignment of their columns, has brought not only credit to ourselves, but has reflected glory and honor upon our Department and upon our colors. (Applause.)

For the great honor you have conferred upon me I can only promise this—that to the best of my humble ability I shall endeavor to discharge the duties that you have reposed in me. My comrade who placed me in nomination discovered this morning a qualification that even I, myself, did not know that I possessed. (Laughter.) It is true that my order at the breakfast table was peculiarly significant to my friend, and thereby hangs a tale; shall I tell it? (Voices—yes, yes, and laughter.) Not many years ago, and in a commonwealth with whose history you are at least somewhat familiar, there was a Gubernatorial campaign. (Laughter.) As the friend of a certain candidate it was my privilege to be with him in several portions of the great commonwealth over which he aspired to preside. In a certain locality wherein we were going, we were informed that we would strike a group of vegetarians; so the candidate for Governor said to me, "Burton, I must be remarkably particular in my diet in this locality to-day; we are going to take dinner with one of the shining lights in the political synagogue in which you and I do worship; he is a vegetarian, and I must impress upon him the idea that no meat shall pass my lips." (Laughter.) We sat down to dinner, and strange as it may appear, while those were the peculiar sentiments of the lord of the house, the good wife was one who did not believe in a vegetable diet by any means. To my surprise, upon the table was everything of the meat kind that it was possible to be prepared; the good woman passed to the candidate, first a plate of magnificent steak—"will you have a piece of this tenderloin?" "no, I thank you, I never eat meat." (Laughter.) In a few moments the good lady of the house returned to the charge, she passed a platter of magnificent country ham; "no, thank you, I do not eat ham;" again, "won't you have a leg of this fried chicken, it is very nice?" "oh, no, I am confining myself to a vegetable diet;" and the old gentleman nodded approval. In a few minutes the good lady said "Governor, won't you have a piece of this mutton, it is most excellent?" "no, thank you." "Here are some veal cutlets, breaded, won't you have one?" "no, thank you, some asparagus will do me." In a few moments his attention was called to some other delicacy, I think it was a teal duck,—and just at that moment a harvest hand

down at the other end of the table whispering to his neighbor, said: "I wonder if that d——d fool wouldn't like to suck an egg." (Laughter.) Now, comrades, you can appreciate the delicacy of your Department Commander elect in making his order this morning, when that friend, and that candidate sat at the other end of the table. (Laughter.) Boys, again I thank you; you who know me best know how much I thank you for this honor; and I am assured that you will join with me in the hope that, when, a year from now, I shall step down and take my place again in the great rank and file, that it will be said of me: "During his administration not a blemish has come upon the standard of the Department of Missouri." (Applause.)

The Department Commander: The next order of business is nominations for Senior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Gurney, Post 76: Comrades of the Grand Army, thirty years ago when any of you were detailed to perform the duty of a soldier you took your musket, or your sabre, and fell in with that detail, and the duty involved, perhaps required the sacrifice of human life. To-day as we are assembled here our duty is one of pleasantness, of comradeship. We look back to that time, and we see the men assembled here that were assembled thirty years ago on the field of battle. And in rising to place in nomination a comrade for Senior Vice Department Commander of this great Department of Missouri, I take the liberty of stating the fact that he is a nobleman born, not of that old character of nobility that is handed down from father to son, but that character of nobility that has characterized this gallant comrade in the Grand Army of the Republic, and the citizenship of this great Government which you saved and preserved by your strength and your bravery as soldiers in 1861 to 1865. Hardly had the vibrations of the cannon that fired upon Sumpter ceased, when the roll of the drum was heard in this country and the loyal men assembled everywhere. The man whose name I present for Senior Vice Department Commander was among the earliest men in 1861; he was in the camp of instruction; he was in line on the march; he was in line in the battle front, and remained in line until 1865, until that great struggle had ceased. You all know him; he is a strong comrade, a faithful friend; he is in line of promotion to-day.

I present to you for your consideration comrade John P. Platt for Senior Vice Department Commander. (Applause.)

Comrade Skinner, Post 124: As a comrade from north Missouri, for several years attending these Encampments, there has never been anything come up that gives me more pleasure than to rise here and second the nomination of comrade Platt. I have known him for many years as a comrade in the Grand Army of the Republic; I have known him as a thorough worker, as a man who can be relied upon to do the work assigned him in the Grand Army of the Republic, whenever he is detailed. And now standing as he does, in the line of promotion, we ask this Encampment to give him that prominence that he so clearly deserves for past services and for what we expect of him in the future.

Past Department Commander Warner: In the absence of comrade Cole I would like to break into our order of business, and suggest that as the Commander-in-Chief is at the door and ready to proceed to the Woman's Relief Corps which is now in session, and would therefore move, by the unanimous consent of the Encampment, that a committee of five be appointed by the chair, of whom the mover of this resolution shall be chairman (laughter), and extend to that noble body of women the greetings and congratulations of the Twelfth Department Encampment of the State of Missouri.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

The following comrades were appointed as such committee: Wm. Warner, Post 8; C. A. Mosman, Post 7; J. F. Cluley, Post 131; W. H. Lusk, Post 6; F. M. Sterrett, Post 1.

Senior Vice Department Commander Benecke: While I can endorse every word that has been said in regard to the comrade that has been placed in nomination for Senior Vice Department Commander, I desire to say that some years ago a comrade who held the position of Junior Vice Department Commander, being urged to permit his name to be presented for promotion, stated that he believed the policy of promotion not to be the best policy to be adopted, and positively declined, at that time, to permit his name to go before the Department

Encampment as a candidate for Senior Vice Department Commander. That comrade, my comrades, is well known to you all, and requires no recommendation at my hands; and now after he has, for several years, taken the position that we all are proud to occupy, the rear ranks, he is now, under the established rule adopted at our Encampment at Jefferson City, again eligible.

I present the name of comrade John W. Scott of Lincoln Post No. 5, Moberly, Mo., for the office of Senior Vice Department Commander.

On motion, nominations were closed.

The following comrades were appointed tellers: W. G. Hills, Post 131; J. L. Walker, Post 8; Arthur Dreifus, Post 1; A. Helphenstine, Post 75.

The ballot was then taken and the tellers retired to count the votes.

The Department Commander: We will now receive nominations for Junior Vice Department Commander while the vote is being counted for Senior Vice Department Commander.

Past Department Commander Rassicur: I have the pleasure of presenting to you for Junior Vice Department Commander one who hails from Joplin, this beautiful city that has given to us such a very cordial reception. It gives me more than ordinary pleasure in saying what I have been told to say, that this comrade whom I have been requested to present is the unanimous choice of the comrades from this place. I have the word of comrade Briggs for that statement, that in presenting the name of comrade Phelps of Oliver P. Morton Post No. 14, I am presenting to you the choice of the members of that Post. You will not only honor yourselves, but you will honor this beautiful place; and you will be laying a foundation stone for greater success in Grand Army matters in this community; and I move you that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be requested to cast the ballot of the Encampment for comrade H. Phelps, for Junior Vice Department Commander.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried by a rising vote.

The Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of the Encampment as directed, and comrade H. Phelps was declared the unanimous choice of the Encampment for Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Phelps was called forward to the platform.

Comrade Phelps, Post 14: Comrades, I thank you very much for the honor you have conferred upon me, and I hope, in accepting this position, that I will not disappoint you in any way. You will always find me right at my post in Grand Army affairs. I thank you again for this kindness you have shown towards me, and I assure you that you will have my hearty co-operation in all matters pertaining to Grand Army affairs. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: Nominations for the office of Medical Director are now in order.

Comrade Henry, Post 3: It gives me pleasure to place in nomination a comrade who has faithfully performed his duties as a comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic in all positions in which he has been placed; it may well be said of him, as of any comrade whose name is presented to the Department Encampment for office, that his soldierly record is without blemish. We offer his name for re-election to the position which he has held for the past year, and very creditably held; whose record is commended. I refer to comrade E. F. Lane, whom I nominate with pleasure for the office of Medical Director.

Comrade Leeper, Post 146: I second the nomination of comrade Lane. Having served with comrade Lane in the 17th Illinois I know that his record as a soldier is all right, and his duties have been performed in a soldierly manner.

Comrade Henry, Post 3: If there are no further nominations I move that the rules be suspended, and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for comrade E. F. Lane as Medical Director.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General then cast the ballot of the Encampment as directed for comrade E. F. Lane, who was declared duly elected as Medical Director for the ensuing year.

The Department Commander: Nominations for Chaplain are now in order.

Comrade Milner, Post 69: There is a comrade who lives close to me at Springfield, who has been building a chicken coop recently; one who is not in the habit of raising chickens, but he is certainly going into the business, and it seems to me that it would be well to select one who is prepared to raise his own chickens. And as we shall need eggs next year, I think it would be well to elect comrade W. C. Calland, who will be able to not only supply himself with chickens, but our Department Commander with eggs. (Laughter.) If there are no further nominations, I move that the Assistant Adjutant General be requested to cast the vote of the Encampment for comrade Calland for Chaplain.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General then cast the ballot of the Encampment for comrade W. C. Calland, and he was declared duly elected Chaplain for the ensuing year.

Comrade Calland was then called forward to the platform.

Comrade Calland, Post 69: Comrades, I thank you very heartily for this honor that you have conferred upon me so unexpectedly to me. I have been a member of the Grand Army of the Republic for sixteen years. I think I have been found at the Post; have always paid my dues, and no charges have ever been preferred against me, even before the construction of my chicken coop. The only consideration that annoys me is that this egg business has become so prominent. But I assure you that during my service in this very sacred office that you have conferred upon me, that I shall always endeavor to do my duty, perform the part that falls to me in sustaining the present administration. I feel that the present year is full of promise. I know you are not expecting a speech from me, and thanking you again for this honor, I bid you adieu.

Calls were made for Comrade Hagerty.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: I am glad that you have found some comrade, who according to report is going to raise his own chickens. I was going to decline the nomination, because when I discovered last night that after three years I

have not been able to inculcate truthfulness on the part of comrades Warner and Burton, nor to keep comrade Rassieur from stealing, I thought it was time for me to give up. (Laughter.)

The Department Commander: Nominations are now in order for members of the Council of Administration—five to be elected.

Comrade Sterrett, Post 1: By request and consent of every delegate from every Post in the City of St. Louis, and from every quarter and section of the Department of Missouri, I have the pleasure and the honor of presenting the name of comrade G. W. Carmichael as a member of the Council of Administration. It may be proper for me to say here that last year, at the Department Encampment at Chillicothe, his name was presented to the Encampment for the same position and he came within a very few votes of being elected. I feel fully authorized and justified in recommending the loyalty, the ability and the industry of comrade Carmichael to the suffrage of this Encampment. (Applause.)

Comrade Williams, Post —: I will place in nomination a comrade that went out in the early sixties and served until 1865, one that did his duty well and faithfully; he lives up here in north Missouri, and belongs to Post No. 44, comrade George W. Riggin.

Comrades G. B. Sherry of Post 426, R. L. Galbreath of Post 16 and B. Knoepfel of Post 43 were each placed in nomination.

Comrade Maxwell, Post 1: As there appears to be no great rivalry just now, there being five nominations and only five to elect, in order to expedite the business of the Encampment I move that nominations now close.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

On motion the rules were suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General was instructed to cast the ballot of the Encampment for the five comrades who were placed in nomination.

The Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot for the five nominees who were, by the Department Commander, declared duly elected members of the Council of Administration

for the ensuing year, as follows: G. W. Carmichael, Post 1; Geo. W. Riffin, Post 44; G. B. Sherry, Post 426; R. L. Galbreath, Post 16; B. Knoepfel, Post 43.

The Department Commander: The tellers report the following as the result of the ballot for Senior Vice Department Commander: Total vote cast, 311; necessary to a choice 156; of which comrade J. P. Platt received 219 and comrade J. W. Scott received 92 votes. I therefore declare comrade Jno. P. Platt duly elected Senior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Platt, being called for, addressed the Encampment as follows: Comrades, I want to thank you for this vote, and I want to say to you that the canvass that was made for me was unsolicited on my part. Of course comrade Scott is a grand good fellow, and a good Grand Army man, and I wish that he had let me know if he wanted the position, and if I was defeated by him I would have surrendered gracefully, and with pleasure. As I have been elected, you will find me by the side of our Department Commander elect, helping him to hold up the banner of the Department of Missouri during the coming year. Anything I can do either as an officer or a comrade I will do to the best of my ability, and with pleasure.

The Department Commander: The next order of business is the election of delegates and alternates to the National Encampment, and to this end I will appoint as tellers: Comrades W. S. Hills, Post 131; J. L. Walker, Post 8; A. J. Bromwell, Post 131; Arthur Dreifus, Post 1; E. S. Gurney, Post 76; A. Helphenstine, Post 75; Martin Scherer, Post 13; E. S. Miner, Post 124.

Comrade Burton, Post 26: There are now in waiting in the ante-room three most excellent ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, and I would suggest that they be escorted to the platform.

On motion business was suspended, and the ladies were escorted to the platform.

The Department Commander: Ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, we are glad to receive this visit from you, and we welcome you to our Encampment.

Comrades, I have the pleasure of introducing to you Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Satterly and Mrs. Russell.

Mrs. Martin: Department Commander and comrades, we were very glad to have been asked over here by your committee, and would have availed ourselves at once of the kind invitation, only that we were at the time very busy in preparation of our report, which I will now read to you:

DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

ST. JOSEPH, MO., April 12, 1893.

Chas. W. Whitehead, Department Commander, G. A. R.:

DEAR SIR: We have the honor to submit to you, and through you to the Twelfth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, a brief statement of the work of the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department for our Convention year now closing.

Number of Corps in the Department.....	79
Total membership.....	2,244
Amount expended for relief during the year.....	\$3,260.44
Amount expended for relief from Department	
Relief Fund.....	\$73.00
Number of soldiers' and their families assisted.....	631
Amount sent to G. A. R. College at Oberlin.....	\$32.00
Donation for Andersonville Prison Fund.....	\$40.00
Amount in Treasurer's hands for W. R. C.	
Home Fund.....	\$435.76

We desire through this report to thank the Grand Army of the Republic for the support they are giving the Woman's Relief Corps and to express the hope that the cordial and fraternal relations existing between our Orders may continue.

Faithfully yours in F., C. and L.,

AGNES C. STERRETT,

President.

I would say that including the funds from the several Corps in the State, since coming here, it makes the amount \$1,006.

The Department Commander: Comrades, what will you do with the report?

Past Department Commander Warner: I move that the report be accepted, and be ordered to be spread upon the records of the proceedings of this Encampment, and that this Encampment return its thanks to the Woman's Relief Corps of the State of Missouri for their noble work in this Department.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Department Commander: Mrs. Martin will now read some resolutions passed by the Woman's Relief Corps this morning.

Mrs. Martin: I suppose you are all aware that the Woman's Relief Corps is trying to build a soldiers' home in Missouri; these resolutions are in regard to that, and are as follows:

Resolutions prepared by the undersigned committee and adopted by the Ninth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps of Missouri, in relation to the Home Board.

Resolved. First.—Immediately after the election of officers of the Woman's Relief Corps Home Board, a meeting of the same shall be called and steps taken for the incorporation of the Woman's Relief Corps Home, under the Laws of the State of Missouri, and further, inasmuch as Past Department Commander Leo Rassieur had expressed his willingness to assist in any legal work that the Woman's Relief Corps might require; we recommend he be requested to draw up said papers.

Resolved. Second.—That the matter of devising ways and means for raising funds for the home be left entirely to the discretion of the Home Board.

Resolved. Third.—That the State shall be divided into districts according to the judgment of the Home Board, and a chairman be appointed in each, who shall be permitted to select her own associates in the Grand Army and Relief Corps to assist in raising funds.

Resolved. Fourth.—That the Department Commander of Missouri be requested to appoint a committee of ten comrades to advise with the Home Board in the furtherance of their work, from the members of the present Encampment.

In F., C. and L.,

HOLLEN E. DAY,
BESSIE E. YOUNG,
JULIA E. DOCKERY,

Committee on Resolutions.

The Department Commander: Comrades, what will you do with these resolutions?

On motion the resolutions were referred to the Council of Administration, with power to act.

Mrs. Satterly: When the President called my name to-day I was a little frightened, and asked to be excused, and she said

that no excuses would be accepted by the President, so I am here, but with the understanding that I would not be called upon to talk. Like the other ladies, I am, of course, very enthusiastic in our work, and what we accomplish is only limited by our ability to do more. I desire to extend my thanks for the very cordial welcome you have extended, and I feel sure that if the Grand Army of the Republic will give to the Woman's Relief Corps in this enterprise the support that they have given to another home in the State of Missouri that we shall soon have a soldiers' home. (Applause.)

Mrs. Russell: Commander and comrades, I did not come over here to say a single word, but simply to help carry this resolution. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: Ladies, on behalf of the Encampment. I wish to return thanks for this pleasant visit we have had the honor of receiving from you, and to say that we shall be glad to greet you at all times.

The ladies then withdraw and the business of the Encampment was resumed.

Comrade J. J. Martin, Post 14: I regret very much to take your valuable time, but I think next to the soldiers who laid their lives in the lap of the Nation, who gave everything for the flag; next to them are the women—the mothers, the daughters, the wives and the "sweethearts," you must remember, were marching right close by you. Those noble women, through the Sanitary Commission, came to your relief in the camp, and upon the battle field with bandages, and with cordials, and with tears and prayers for the dying; and more than that, they have never ceased to work. I met an old lady some years ago, I think it was before the Relief Corps was organized, at least before I knew of its existence, she came to me with some money, and said. "Mr. Martin, I gave three sons and my husband to my country, and when they were gone I went myself into the hospital as a nurse, and now I am old and poor, but here is some money that I would like to give to help on the Grand Army of the Republic in its noble work." I have found women all along the line trying to do something for the soldiers. And now the ladies of Missouri have prepared

a quilt, and you see they know something about military affairs for here are the Corps badges; they have spread upon it with loving hands these emblems; and now what they want is the name of every comrade that can give as much as twenty-five cents, and your name will be recorded upon this quilt, with the regiment and corps to which you belonged, and then the quilt will be put on exhibition, and sold, and the money used for the relief of the comrades. I know an old comrade in this city that has been upon his back almost for the past seven years; his heroic wife makes a living over the wash tub, and she never allows anybody to say anything about her husband being broken down. This is but one instance. I desire you to take it to your heart and give the women as hearty a support as you can.

Comrade ——, Post 516: I want to say in behalf of the ladies of the Relief Corps of Crenshaw Post No. 516 who have gotten up that quilt, I will take the liberty to state here, and now, that twenty-five per cent of the proceeds of the sale of that quilt, when sold, will be donated to the soldiers' home enterprise of the Woman's Relief Corps of Missouri.

Senior Vice Department Commander Benecke was called to the chair.

The committee on reports of Medical Director, Judge Advocate, Chief Mustering Officer, Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders, made the following report:

JOPLIN, Mo., April 13, 1893.

To the Department Commander and Members of the Twelfth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Missouri:

Your committee to whom was referred the reports of the Medical Director, Judge Advocate, Chief Mustering Officer, Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders, beg leave to report as follows:

We deplore the fact that only 262 Post Surgeons out of 454 have furnished the Medical Director with their official report, and would recommend that the Post Commanders insist upon having said report forwarded in due time.

We recommend that the report of the Judge Advocate be adopted as presented to this Encampment.

We also recommend the adoption of the report of the Chief Mustering Officer, Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders, and

that all the within named officers be commended for the intelligent and faithful manner in which they have performed their duties.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE WEBER,
JNO. W. TOPPASS,
M. G. NETHERTON,

Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

The Assistant Adjutant General: Here is a resolution handed in by Post No. 7, which I move be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The resolution is as follows:

Whereas, M. P. Gardner, Past Commander of Chester Harding Post No. 182, applied for, and on the Twenty-third day of April, 1892, obtained a discharge as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic; and

Whereas, Comrade Gardner was a zealous comrade, an untiring worker and an able, efficient commander, and has since been mustered anew as a member of Custer Post No. 7 of this Department; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That comrade M. P. Gardner of Custer Post No. 7, Department of Missouri, be and he is hereby restored to all the rights and privileges lost by his applying for, and receiving said discharge, and that he receive, enjoy and be entitled to all the honors and privileges of a Past Commander of Custer Post.

There being no objection the resolution was referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The selection of the place for holding the next Annual Encampment was announced as the next order of business.

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: Comrades, as to the place for holding our next Annual Encampment, I desire to say a few words, because I feel that in presenting to you for consideration the place that I shall name, that its appropriateness will be so apparent that there can be no question about its adoption. Now here in southwest Missouri, where we breathe the ozone of the Ozark Mountain summit, and where we drink its crystal waters (voice—not much), we are accustomed to live long, and always retain our youth—there is not an old member of the Grand Army of the Republic in this whole Ozark range—you can not find one—and I want to serve notice on the incoming Department Commander, that if he appoints any lot of old men as a committee to wait on the ladies of the Woman's Relief

Corps as have been appointed this year by the Commander, we will have him court-martialed and shot. (Laughter.) Now, in regard to the next Encampment, the place is in this Ozark Mountain region, and from the bosom of these mountains we get the most magnificent, almost inspiring water, the most magnetic stream, purifying the blood and renewing our youth; it is to a place like that that we invite you; and the place to which I invite you, every citizen is big hearted and whole-souled; I ask you to come to Lebanon. (Applause.) They know, and I know, and know so well, that there is not a city in the whole State of Missouri where its men and its women will more cordially and more earnestly receive the Grand Army of the Republic, than the little city of Lebanon, Missouri. (Applause.) And you will not only have the promise of their broad hospitality, but the whole southwest unite in asking you to accept this invitation to come to Lebanon for the Encampment in 1894. (Applause.)

Comrade Lowe, Post 78: I stand here to represent the Grand Army and the citizens of Warrensburg. Warrensburg is near the center of Missouri, on the main line of the Missouri Pacific Railway, which has four daily trains each way, so that all of us can conveniently get there; our hotels are sufficient, we have hotel capacity probably of 1,600; we have a nice opera house there that will be thrown open to us, and we have an amphitheatre there that will seat 6,000 people, in which we can hold our camp fire; and we have our springs there which have become celebrated as a summer resort, and if you will hold your next Encampment there, we will give you a cordial reception.

Comrade Hubbard, Post 69: I have soldiered in Warrensburg, and gone to see the pretty girls in Warrensburg, and I have soldiered in Lebanon, and have gone to see the pretty girls in Lebanon, and if anything is more beautiful to the beholding eye of man than the beautiful girls of Warrensburg it is the beautiful girls of Lebanon, because they spring and came from the loyal men of the great State of Missouri. I could vote a hearty vote for either one of these places in which to hold the next Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, but I think the city of Lebanon, on the very pinnacle

of the Ozark Mountains, where they have bored down to the earth and discovered the stream which restores age to youth, and restores death to life—we have actually bored down there and found that stream—and if you will hold your next Encampment there, and drink of its waters, you will return home with your gray hairs as black as the raven. (Laughter.) You will then live to be as old as Methusalah. I stand here to plead for Lebanon. It has four daily passenger trains. And in that city is gathered together a coterie of gentlemen every one of whom is a good, loyal man, and who, through an industrious career of thirty years, have accumulated lots of money, and they—such men as Judge W. I. Wallace, and the honorable Mr. Dickson, and the honorable Mr. Moore, assure me that every dwelling house in Lebanon will constitute improvised hotels for the accommodation of every old soldier who carried the flag of this Republic to victory. They sent me here to ask that that place may have the honor of the next Annual Encampment; and I tell you now, that if you go there you will never regret it, and you will never find a place where you will be more hospitably entertained, and where the houses of the people will be more universally thrown open to you. And we want you to come out here and visit southwest Missouri where we have a beautiful climate; where we have the grandest country for stock raising, and a good agricultural country, and a great mineral country. I second the nomination of Lebanon.

Comrade Williams, Post 276: I rise to second the nomination of Warrensburg. In selecting a location for holding our Encampments there are two things to be held in view; one, facilities for getting there, and one that will hold us when we get there. I have no doubt about the character of the water they have down there at Lebanon, it is plentiful, and it is good, and no doubt the water of Pertle Springs is equally good; and I am assured by those who know, that the beer at Warrensburg is without limit; that is a matter that I cannot say much about, as I do not use it myself, but some of my comrades do drink it occasionally. Warrensburg is so located that the comrades can get there without difficulty; it is more suitably located than anywhere else in the State of Missouri, and I think we should vote for that place. When we go to Lebanon there is but one

line of railroad, and all who live north of that road will have to go either to St. Louis or Kansas City in order to get to Lebanon, and many of our comrades are poor men and will be unable to make the journey to Lebanon, and I second the nomination of Warrensburg as being the most accessible point for holding our next Annual Encampment.

Comrade Campbell, Post 516: I have been a resident of Missouri for twenty-seven years, almost, and this is the first time I have ever heard of Warrensburg being anywhere near the center of the State. It is on the line of the Missouri Pacific Railway, near an hour's run of Kansas City, or a little more, and only one County between that and the western border of the State. It is an old fossilized town (laughter); it is one of your "way back" places; while Lebanon, down here, is a live and progressive town situated on the top of the Ozark Mountains where you get the pure air, and where you do not get the fogs that you do at Warrensburg; and Lebanon is nearer the center of the State; it has but one line of railroad, and that, I believe is all that Warrensburg has, and the "Frisco" to Lebanon, can run just as many trains as the Missouri Pacific can to Warrensburg. I second the nomination of Lebanon.

The Assistant Adjutant General: I would like to know if the comrades from Lebanon or from Warrensburg have any assurance from the railroads of any reduction in rates?

Comrade Turner, Post 48: I am in possession of a reply to a letter that I wrote to Commander Briggs of the Morton Post here in this place, which is dated on the 8th. I will read you what he said in reply to my solicitation to him to aid us in securing the next Encampment at our place. Among other things he said: "I have a letter from the General Passenger Agent in which he says if Lebanon is selected the 'Frisco' will make a reduction of one rate for the round trip." I am also in possession of an open letter, that I will not take your time to read, wherein our Mayor endorses the sentiments of our whole entire county in throwing its arms wide open to receive you. This much I will say to you, and I voice the sentiments of our muster roll of 268 members, that if we do secure the next Annual Encampment at our place the only regret we will ever

feel is that you leave us so soon—that we could not keep you longer. (Applause.) We have six hotels, and among them one of the largest and best in the State of Missouri, the rates of which are from \$2.50 to \$4.00 per day. We went around and made inquiry: "What can you afford to keep us for in case we secure the next Encampment," asking them to make the best reduction possible to the old soldiers, and at the hotels they said they would fix the rates at \$1.50 to \$2.00 a day for the highest. This was the best hotel. The other five hotels made the rate \$1.00 a day. Lebanon is the great life-giving resort of which so much has been said already. If you will favor us with this visit, the people of Lebanon will go to work at once and make preparations to receive you with open arms.

Comrade Lowe, Post 78: Warrensburg is such a flourishing little town that the railroad gives a one and a third fare rate, and will give us—if we decide to hold our Encampment there—one rate for the round trip.

Past Department Commander Rassieur: It is not fair to Warrensburg that you should vote upon this proposition with reference to Lebanon on the statement made by the comrade from Springfield. He said that gray-haired people had their hair turned black at Lebanon. I am considerably gray, and as I wanted my hair to turn black I went to Lebanon, and I'll be switched if it was not a little more gray when I got back than it was when I went there. (Laughter.) If the Encampment wants to go to Lebanon I shall gladly go with it, for I endorse everything that has been stated about Lebanon as regards the willingness of the people to welcome the old soldiers. But I want also to say to you, that speaking from experience, if you take a night train, there will be blue streaks when you get to Lebanon, for you will get there at a most unseasonable hour; you will get there somewhere between midnight and 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning. There is less round-about travel in getting to Warrensburg than there is in getting to Lebanon. Personally I shall vote for Warrensburg.

Comrade Roote, Post 299: I shall vote for Lebanon, not on account of the water, but because I think it would prove to the best interests of the Grand Army of Missouri. I think they

need our Encampment there, as the woods are full of old soldiers between there and the Arkansas line, and they will never get a chance to see an Encampment unless it is held near them, and I think you will have there the best Encampment ever held in the State.

On motion the question of location was put to a rising vote with the following result: 146 votes for Lebanon and 113 votes for Warrensburg.

On motion the choice of Lebanon was made unanimous.

On motion the Encampment took a recess until 2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION, THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 1893.

The session opened with a song by the Kansas City G. A. R. Quartette—"Never Surrender."

The Committee on Resolutions through comrade Maxwell, chairman, reported as follows: "Your committee to whom was referred the following resolutions, beg leave to report as follows: The plan submitted by Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 8 for the consolidation of Posts is, in the judgment of your committee, in conflict with existing rules and regulations. Your committee is of the opinion that provision already exists for the surrender of charters, disbanding of Posts and transfer of comrades to other Posts. We therefore recommend that it be not adopted."

On motion the recommendation of the committee was adopted.

"In regard to resolution presented by comrade John S. Chandler, Past Post Commander of Post No. 85, in relation to pensioners, your committee believe that it would impose upon the officers of the Posts, Department and National Headquarters, a vast amount of detail in the way of research, and reports, from which there could be no adequate results beneficial to the organization, experience having proved that it is next to impossible to obtain promptly, or accurately, the reports now required. We would, therefore, recommend that it be not adopted."

On motion the recommendation of the committee was adopted.

"In reference to resolution from Custer Post No. 7, asking for the restoration of the honors and privileges of a Past Post Commander, your committee believe that under the existing rules and regulations the comrade has no standing as a Past Post Commander in this Department. It involves the question as to what power the Encampment may have in bringing about the result by adopting this resolution. Your committee is of the opinion that it would be establishing a precedent that would be unwise. In view of the fact that Custer Post can easily restore him to his rank and privileges by electing him Com-

mauder, we would recommend that the resolution be not adopted.”

On motion the recommendation of the committee was adopted.

The following resolutions were offered from Joe Hooker Post No. 17, of Cameron, Missouri:

Resolved, That in the order of the Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., we recognize a worthy and desirable successor to our noble order. We view with pride their efforts to emulate the example set by their progenitors, and we fully appreciate their value in the work of promoting sentiments of loyalty and keeping alive our Nation's best traditions.

To them we must soon commit the duty to protect and hand down to future generations, the blood-bought heritage we now enjoy in common.

Resolved, That Joe Hooker Post No. 17, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., through its representatives and delegates, to the Department Encampment of Missouri, G. A. R., do, in behalf of the Post, urge, that by official expression, the Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., be encouraged to increase and strengthen their ranks, and that we pledge our active co-operation in carrying on their patriotic work, and the proper observance of our Country's memorials.

Resolved, That this Encampment extend to the Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., its hearty approval, and such assistance as will serve to cement the common idea of loyalty to country, perpetuation of what is best in its history and help of those who aided in its preservation.

On motion the resolutions were endorsed by the Encampment.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131, offered the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted under suspension of the rules:

Whereas, The burial of comrades has become an almost daily occurrence, be it

Resolved, That our delegates to the Twenty-seventh Annual Encampment be instructed to take steps to secure the simplification of the funeral service.

The following telegrams were received and read by the Assistant Adjutant General:

TOPEKA, KAS., April 12, 1893.

To C. W. Whitehead, Department Commander, G. A. R., Joplin, Mo.:
Business in United States Court prevents my coming. Express my regrets.

B. KELLY,

Department Commander.

PENDLETON, OREGON, April 13, 1893.

To Department Commander of Missouri, G. A. R., Joplin, Mo.:

Oregon Encampment sends greetings.

J. C. COOPER,

Department Commander Elect.

Past Department Commander Rassieur: While waiting for the tellers, I desire to ask unanimous consent to introduce a resolution without reference to the Committee on Resolutions, the purpose of which is to repay a debt of gratitude which this Department owes the great Department of Pennsylvania.

The Department Commander: Hearing no objections, the comrade will proceed.

Comrade Rassieur: In 1888, at Columbus, Ohio, it was my privilege to nominate for Commander-in-Chief of our organization our comrade and former Department Commander Wm. Warner; after that nomination was made, the great Department of Pennsylvania unanimously sustained the nomination made by our Department, and I am free to say the election of comrade Warner would have been exceedingly doubtful, if Pennsylvania had not unanimously stood by Missouri in making that nomination and election. I heard to-day, for the first time, that the Department of Pennsylvania has passed this resolution at its Encampment:

Whereas, The Department of Pennsylvania has, for a number of years, been honored in the appointment of one of its comrades as Quartermaster General of the Grand Army of the Republic, a position that he has filled with great credit to the Department, and with eminent satisfaction to the Order generally; and

Whereas, In the opinion of this Department the time has arrived when comrade John Taylor's long, active and faithful services be further recognized, therefore, be it further

Resolved, That the comrades of this Department present comrade John Taylor as a candidate for Commander-in-Chief at the National Encampment, Indianapolis, in September next.

This is the first time since 1888 that Pennsylvania has brought forward one of its sons for the high position of Commander-in-Chief. This is, then, the first opportunity that our Encampment has had to manifest its gratitude for the earnest support which they gave us when we presented our favorite

comrade for the honor of Commander-in-Chief. I therefore desire to ask you now to pass this resolution :

Resolved, That the first choice of this Encampment, for the position of Commander-in-Chief, after the expiration of the term of office of comrade Weissert, be comrade John Taylor of Pennsylvania.

(Applause.)

I want to say to you, before I take my seat, that I have known this comrade for a number of years, personally, and he has all the qualities which a good comrade should possess. In addition to that, he has a most exceptional record in his own State for industry, for liberality, yes, for generosity. They tell me in Philadelphia, that no comrade has ever asked for help of comrade John Taylor, that did not receive a full share. I have one thing more to say: It was my privilege, a few years ago, to ask his assistance for one of your comrades in this Department, and he not only rendered that assistance at home, but went to Washington, himself, to accomplish what was asked; and, I therefore take great pleasure in asking you to pass this resolution by which you will not only be doing honor to yourselves, but will strengthen the friendship now existing between these Departments. (Applause.)

On motion the resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Department Commander: We would like to have some report from the Sherman Monument Committee.

Comrade Geo. W. Bailey, Post 131: The Sherman Monument Committee, composed of comrades Case of Kansas City, Evans of St. Joseph, Phelps of Springfield, and Sterrett and myself of St. Louis, was appointed two years ago. Before that a "Sherman Monument Committee" had been appointed, did nothing, and died a natural death. But, coming to the subject, I simply wish to say that since I have been chairman of this committee we have done some things that I do not propose to bother you about, but we have a committee appointed, as we suppose, for business; but if you have simply appointed us for ornament, to die like the other committee did, by doing nothing, then you have appointed the wrong committee. Now while we have been legislating for the present needs of our comrades living, let us remember that we have some duty to

perform as to some of our comrades who are no longer with us. This is not for General Sherman, or what you thought of him, or your honors paid him for his services alone—that is history—and the property of the world; but it is the desire, I believe, and I wish to have it executed if possible, to let this committee, not only do this which has been done already—sound the fame of one of the greatest soldiers of the civil war—but also to contribute our mite; nothing that will oppress; nothing that will offend; nothing that will impoverish; but such as you can spare and take a pride in giving, not only for the purpose that I have mentioned, but for the purpose of putting in some suitable, stable form, that which will operate to teach an object lesson of patriotism, by a statue of General Sherman, to be read and to be admired by generations yet to come. (Applause.) This committee has done all it could; they adopted a scheme which was promulgated by the Department Commander and sent to every Post in this State; that scheme has been supplemented by an urgent demand by the Department Commander to the members of our Order; the object and purpose, of course, is to make a special Grand Army contribution to be added to the citizens' fund which has now swollen to large proportions, conditioned that this monument shall be satisfactory to the Grand Army of the Republic, and worthy the great soldier it represents, as a special contribution to that monument; and the committee will endeavor in any inscription that goes on that monument, to have emblazoned the fact that it was erected, not only by the patriotic sons of Missouri, but that it was also liberally contributed to by the comrades in arms of General Sherman of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic. That scheme was sent out; the returns, Mr. Department Commander, are such that I am almost ashamed to enumerate them—it would not take long. I do not attribute that to anything but carelessness; anything but a desire to put off that which it is considered may be done just as well by and by. I do not want all the Posts of this Department to feel that they must be guided by what some of the wealthy Posts are doing in the city of St. Louis. This list must be headed by General Sherman's Post; and no matter how much any Post in the Department of Missouri may give, the only place for Gene-

ral Sherman's Post is at the top of the list, and there under all circumstances, I predict it will be found. Ransom Post has virtually contributed \$1,000, to this object. Now, how many Posts held the Sherman Memorial Meeting, requested by the Department Commander? Ransom Post, at St. Louis, held a Sherman Memorial Meeting as requested, and it was the meeting designated—nearest to General Sherman's birthday, and one of the finest audiences that I ever faced it was my privilege and honor to face on that occasion; and at that meeting Ransom Post supplemented the action of this Department by contributing a guarantee to this fund of \$1,000. (Applause.) Its place is at the head, and it will always be at the head of the list, undoubtedly, where it ought to be, because it is General Sherman's Post. Now, I do not want the numerically or financially feebler Posts to feel disparaged by any such announcement as that; some of the Posts have contributed \$5.00; and it may be just as much to their credit, and probably more so, than the \$1,000 contributed by Ransom Post; and is received with just as much gratitude, whether they contribute \$5.00, \$10.00, \$15.00, \$25.00 or \$100. I do not think there is a Post in this Department that can afford to be off of that list. Credit is due to the Posts not according to the amounts given, but according to the *quality* of the giving. General Sherman's wish was to be buried in our midst; and in spite of all inducements to the contrary, he expressed his determination and intention to remain, and so remained, until his death, a comrade of the Department of Missouri. And at his request his last resting place is amongst us; and the condition of this subscription is that a worthy monument to his memory shall be in, or near the city of St. Louis, a pride to loyal hearts—a loyal tribute of citizens and comrades to genius; and that it shall be an equestrian statue—grand and imposing—worthy of our comrades, worthy of the great soldier, and probably gracing Forest Park. Now will you help us to make this special Grand Army contribution one worthy of this Department, and worthy this great soldier—our comrade—that you may be proud of it, and that your children may be proud of it, as your contribution to sterling patriotism and for the perpetuation of the name and fame of one of the greatest soldiers of modern times? I ask that these

representative gentlemen and comrades here, when they return to their homes to bring this matter before their respective Posts, and this committee will do anything, by night or by day, to further this object. This committee intends to keep ahead of you, no matter what you may do; and I want this to be a thing that will speak for this Department, and for all those who are interested in this Department—for the members living, and for the members that shall have passed away—that it may be said by our children as they point to this lasting object lesson of loyalty: "There is one of the monuments that my father left, because he was a member of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, that erected this object lesson of patriotism to be read and studied through the years to come." (Applause.)

Past Department Commander Warner: Will the chairman of the committee state to the comrades what the proposed or the probable cost of this equestrian monument will be?

Comrade Bailey, Post 131: The Citizens' Committee of St. Louis have now accumulated a very large fund, I do not know the amount, because it has been added to, off and on, since the first. Comrade Charles Parsons, a member of Ransom Post, and President of the State Bank, is one of the Trustees of that fund I believe. I do not know the exact amount, but it is up into \$20,000 or \$30,000 somewhere, and what we want is the special G. A. R. contribution to swell that fund, and with the understanding that we may be permitted to indicate the character of the inscription which will reflect credit, not only upon the generous and appreciative loyal citizens of St. Louis and Missouri, but also distinctively and separately upon the comrades-in-arms of General Sherman in their organized capacity as Posts of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic.

Past Department Commander Phelps: Being a member of that committee I will say that I endorse all that comrade Bailey has said; and I make the further request that when you go home to your Posts that you appoint a "Sherman" day and assist us in raising that fund to build this monument.

Past Department Commander Warner: I am not much on the monument question, as a general proposition: I feel, in common with other comrades, that our duty is first to the living (a voice—amen); but there are exceptions to all rules. Those of us who enlisted early in 1861 did not know how to keep step; we knew nothing; the skilled soldier and the trained veteran were yet in the womb of time. Sheridan was an unknown Lieutenant on the western border; Thomas we had hardly heard of; McPherson a Lieutenant; Sherman apparently put upon the shelf as a military instructor at the Military Academy of Louisiana; while the silent man of destiny, the old Field Marshal was listlessly smoking a cigar in his brother's tannery in the town of Galena, Illinois, while "Black Jack" of Illinois, the pride and admiration of the volunteer, was an unknown portion in southern Illinois. All of these names are dear to the old comrades. There is not a man but that feels a pride when he can show that he was with Thomas—"the rock of Chickamauga"—that he was with Thomas and old A. J. Smith at Nashville; that he was with Grant at Appomattox, with Sheridan in the valley of the Shenandoah; but no soldier feels as great a pride as he who can say: "I marched with Sherman from Atlanta to the sea." Comrades, over and above all that, I believe, as firmly as I believe in my existence, that history will record the name of William Tecumseh Sherman as the great military genius of the age. When retired by reason of age, in the full vigor of manhood, his step yet firm, his eye undimmed, with a good word for every comrade, what did he do? He placed his name at the head of the page of his comrades in the State of Missouri, asking not their rank, for the organization of a new Post, naming the Post after one of his favorite generals—Ransom. One of the things of which I am proud, comrades, is that it was my pleasant duty to muster that grim old hero into the Grand Army of the Republic; to install him as the Post Commander of Ransom Post; and let me say to you here, comrades, that it is no reflection on any comrade, to say that there was no comrade in the Grand Army of the Republic in the State of Missouri, that attended the Post meetings with greater regularity than did old General Sherman the meetings of Ransom Post. While he lived in our State,

and attended our State Encampments, boys, don't you know how good it made us feel to come up and take the old man by the hand? We never had a National Encampment that comrade Sherman was not there, but not in the uniform of a General that he was entitled to wear; he never went into an Encampment or Grand Army Post, except in the ordinary uniform of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and wore upon his breast his badge as you wear it—the badge of the Grand Army. (Applause.) The fact is, as years went on, comrades, we came to love more and more his memory, and old Billy Sherman got closer and closer to us. When we went to the National Encampment, when they would try and steal the old General away from us and put him in a carriage, or put him on horseback, he would say: "No, I belong to the Grand Army boys of Missouri and I must go with them in the column." I think he was one of the grandest men that this Nation has produced; and boys, let us not leave and go home without passing a resolution in this Encampment instructing the Department Commander to ask that every Post in this Department hold a meeting and make its contribution towards this monument. It is our monument. How many Posts—457 Posts—\$15 a Post, would amount to \$6,000 or \$7,000, and \$1,000 from the Ransom Post would make the amount \$8,000 or \$9,000. I believe we can make a contribution of \$10,000 towards this monument. Let us have the resolution asking that each Post, weak or strong, rich or poor, contribute its mite towards this noble enterprise; and let the little Posts on the spurs of the Ozark where the old comrade may be poor, but when he says to his wife, "wife, we have boys and girls, I have got this nickle, I am going up to the Post meeting to-night and am going to contribute it towards erecting a monument to the old fellow who cut the way for liberty from Atlanta to the sea," he has honored himself and the Department. (Applause.) Let us take hold of this, and, Commander, if it be in order I would offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Department Commander be requested, in General Orders, at the earliest day practicable to again call attention of the Posts of this Department to the patriotic duty of making their contributions towards the erection of a Sherman Monument, at or near St. Louis,

and that each comrade be invited to contribute his mite towards this noble purpose.

And I believe as much as we meet here to-day that by the time we meet in our next Encampment the labors of the committee will not have been in vain. I thank you. This is a matter that is very near to my heart. I looked upon old Billy Sherman as though he were my father. I never saw a man that could come as near to me. (Applause.)

On motion the resolution was adopted.

Comrade Crowell, Post 160, presented to the Encampment, under resolution of Post 160, of Wheeling, Mo., a petition asking subscriptions to a fund for the purchase of a lot, and the erection of a monument at that place to the "unknown dead."

A comrade raised a point of order that it was not proper to address the Encampment asking subscriptions to a private object.

The point of order was sustained.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: It has just come to my knowledge that one of our Past Department Chaplains, comrade H. C. Weaver, is deceased, and I move you, therefore, that a committee of three be appointed to prepare proper resolutions and present them to the Encampment.

The motion was carried, and the following comrades were appointed as such committee:

Thos. H. Hagerty, Post 131; W. C. Calland, Post 69; H. S. Tipton, Post 4.

The Department Commander: The tellers are now ready to report the vote for Representatives and Alternates to the National Encampment.

The balloting was announced and the following named comrades were declared elected:

FOR REPRESENTATIVES.

Thos. W. Evans, St. Joseph	227
Austin E. Cook, St. Louis	221
Jno. P. Tracy, Springfield.....	221
E. F. Rogers, Kansas City.....	208
Fred. Flammger, St. Louis	204
Thos. B. Tuttle, Carthage	202

G. W. Travis, Cape Girardeau.....	202
J. G. Zimmerer, St. Louis.....	201
Wm. H. Mengel, California.....	192
Jas. A. Hunter, Medoc.....	185
E. B. Ward, Bethany.....	171
Henry Evers, St. Louis.....	169
Louis Benecke, Brunswick.....	164
Harry Mitchell, Nevada.....	161
A. L. McBride, Butler.....	156
Jos. Evans, Tipton.....	155
A. W. Martin, Moberly.....	151
Jas. Wilson, Kidder.....	142
D. S. Harriman, Kansas City.....	141
D. S. Flowers, Pierce City.....	140

FOR ALTERNATES.

Robert Powell, Macon.....	135
E. J. Smith, Sedalia.....	135
D. J. Doughty, Farmington.....	124
A. B. Barnes, Trenton.....	123
John M. Swallow, Milan.....	119
Euphrates Boucher, Mt. Vernon.....	117
D. T. Ferrier, Springfield.....	116
Louis Fischer, Salem.....	111
H. T. Holmes, Jefferson City.....	111
H. E. Robinson, Marysville.....	109
Jas. E. Callaway, Ravanna.....	108
W. B. Hatchett, Willow Springs.....	105
John W. Toppass, Chillicothe.....	104
Jacob Snyder, Winston.....	99
Jas. H. Reading, Osceola.....	96
A. M. Brown, St. Joseph.....	88
A. Van Meter, Lamar.....	87
Philarmou Reynolds, Luray.....	83
W. W. Knoop, Cameron.....	77
E. D. Canan, Clinton.....	75

NOTE.—After the adjournment of the Encampment, it was discovered that through an error of the tellers in carrying out the footings on the tally sheets, comrade James A. Hunter was accredited with 185 votes and comrade Jos. Evans with 155 votes, when it was apparent on

the face of the tally sheets that each had received but eighty-five votes. On consultation with the tellers, correction was made, and comrades Robert Powell and E. J. Smith, who were highest on the list of alternates, with 135 votes each, were certified as duly elected representatives.

The Committee appointed to report on the death of Past Department Chaplain Henry C. Weaver, made the following report, which was on motion adopted:

JOPLIN, Mo., April 13th, 1893.

It is with feelings of peculiar sorrow that we record the death of comrade Henry C. Weaver, who died March 10th, 1893.

Comrade Weaver was not only a worthy comrade at his death, but had been in former years the worthy Department Chaplain and Commander of Post 4 in Kansas City. In all of these positions of honor and trust, he proved himself to be a man of great ability, unswerving integrity to principle, and great devotion to the interests of our country, not only in defending its life upon the battlefield, but in later days, in standing for the right, in all times, and in every place.

We deeply mourn the loss of comrade Weaver from our midst, but will continue to cherish his many virtues, emulate his noble examples, and hope to meet on the great camping ground above.

To the mourning widow and sorrowing friends, we, as a Department Encampment, tender our deepest and most heart-felt sympathy, and invoke on them the sustaining blessings of the Great Commander, and Lord of all.

T. H. HAGERTY,
H. S. TIPTON,
W. C. CALLAND,

Committee.

Comrade Hubbard, Post 69, offered the following resolution, which was on motion unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Encampment be and are hereby tendered to the good people and comrades of Joplin, for their kind and generous hospitality and cordial welcome.

There being no other business before the Encampment, the newly elected officers were duly installed by Commander-in-Chief Weissert.

The Department Commander announced comrade Thos. B. Rodgers, of Post 1, as Assistant Adjutant General for the ensuing term, and he was duly installed.

The Ransom Post "Howlers" were called to the platform and sang "Marching Through Georgia," the entire Encamp-

ment joining in the chorus; after which, at the request of the retiring Department Commander, the members of the Encampment formed along the walls and down the aisles, and joining hands sang "Auld Lang Syne." After prayer by the Department Chaplain, the Encampment was declared adjourned *sine die*.

A true record of the proceedings:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

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Upon the adjournment of the Encampment on Wednesday afternoon, a parade of the members of the Encampment and visiting comrades was formed under comrade E. W. Beach of Post 14, as Grand Marshal.

The column moved at 4 P. M., in the following order:

- City Marshal.
- Platoon of Mounted Police.
- Grand Marshal E. W. Beach.
- Mounted Orderlies.
- First Division, Chas. W. Squires, Marshal.
- Carthage Light Guard Band.
- Canton Lincoln, I. O. O. F.
- Joplin Guards.
- Division No. 40, U. R., K. of P.
- Joplin Fire Department.
- Second Division, A. H. Brewer, Marshal.
- Nevada Martial Band.
- Commander-in-Chief Weissert.
- Department Commander C. W. Whitehead and Staff.
- Delegates to Department Encampment, G. A. R.
- Third Division, H. W. Davidson, Marshal.
- Kansas Drum Corps.
- Merrill Camp, Sons of Veterans, and all visiting sons.
- Visiting Posts and Comrades of the G. A. R.
- O. P. Morton Post No. 14.
- Fourth Division, T. W. Cunningham, Marshal.
- Southwest Protective Association and other mounted bodies.

The column moved through the principal streets of the city, which were handsomely decorated in honor of the occasion. The most pleasing feature of the parade and one which stirred the hearts of all the old veterans, was the welcome which they received from the school children of the city, who were massed on both sides of the street for several squares, near the Central School Building, to the number of 2,500 or more, in charge of the Superintendent, and saluted the veterans as they passed with waving flags and cheers.

The "boys" acknowledged the children's welcome by marching past with uncovered heads and with cheers that made the welkin ring.

On Wednesday evening a camp-fire was held at the Club Theatre, which was densely packed. The Carthage Light Guard Band occupied the orchestra pit and after it had rendered several selections, Committeeman Phelps introduced Mayor R. B. Tyler, who delivered an address of welcome. His talk was short but delivered with that feeling of hearty welcome that made the hearts of the visiting veterans glad to know that they were in such a hospitable community. He told them that they must enjoy themselves; that their doors were wide open and the latch strings hung on the outside; that the chicken coops would be left unguarded and the city jail doors left open. He thanked the visitors on behalf of the citizens for the honor bestowed in selecting Joplin as the place for this joyous meeting. The Mayor again bade them welcome and retired.

Department Commander Whitehead acted as Master of Ceremonies and announced the response to the Mayor's address to be delivered by Past Department Commander Leo Rassieur, of St. Louis, who commenced by stating that he was glad to have the pleasure of responding, as he had seen evidences of an ample amount of welcome to make him and his comrades feel at home the first day they arrived here. The display of bunting and other preparations made for their comfort should make them feel that they were welcome. He then explained the objects of the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic and referred, at divers times, to the remarks made by the Mayor in a pleasing way. He closed by thanking the Turner Society for entertaining many of the visitors and the Mayor and citizens of Joplin for their cordial welcome and hospitality extended.

After a vocal selection by the G. A. R. quartette, Major F. E. Williams was introduced. He welcomed the visitors in behalf of the Joplin Club and told them that the Club's home was their home while in the city, stating that the hospitalities of the Club were extended to every G. A. R. member. He briefly told of the representative business men in the organization and of the double-crop soil which founded and maintains the business interests of Joplin.

The next speaker to respond was Major William Warner, Past Commander-in-Chief, who was received with great applause. He stated that he was glad to be welcomed to the Club rooms. Himself and comrades came here expecting much; they knew of the hospitality and generosity of the citizens of Joplin from her fame abroad; he felt that not half had been told by the speakers before him. Although he and his comrades had only been here one day, they were made to feel welcome, for everywhere they found the doors of our citizens as well as their hearts wide open to the G. A. R. He fully concurred with Major Williams in a sentiment expressed, that at no distant day Missouri would be the brightest jewel in the great galaxy of States that go to make up this, the greatest Nation of the universe, and he added that at that time, the brightest star in that jewel will be Joplin. The speaker dwelt upon the material of the Grand Army of the Republic; that many of its members before April, 1861, were boys in the school rooms, men in fields and pulpits, and when Fort Sumpter was fired on, they dropped their avocations and went to the defense of the flag. He spoke of the financial situation and the soldiers' pay during the strife. With gold at eighty-four (84) cents while Sheridan was riding down the Shenandoah Valley, the soldiers were drawing their \$5.75 instead of \$13. The statesmen of those days were unable to solve the problem, but as soon as Grant hauled down the stars and bars at Appomattox and the stars and stripes went up in their stead, then the Nation's finances were at par. The Major said he had prepared quite an interesting speech, but some one had stolen the notes from his room, and from comrade Rassieur's speech he rather thought he was the guilty man. He spoke of the features of yesterday's parade and stated that one that touched the hearts of the marching soldiers was the school children along the line of march all waving the national colors at the passing veterans, and stated that it was one of the aims of the G. A. R. to have a flag staff with the stars and stripes floating from the top of every school house in the land.

Following Major Warner's speech came the Empire drill by twenty young ladies of Joplin. The fair soldiers went through their marching evolutions with precision that greatly

pleased the audience and they displayed their appreciation by applauding quite often and heartily. The young ladies were drilled by Miss Letta Speaks.

Comrade J. J. Martin spoke for O. P. Morton Post and comrade C. G. Burton spoke in response. The Judge started out by making apologies for himself and for comrade Posegate, who was to make the response but could not be here. He intimated that Posegate sent him what he had to say and that he showed the manuscript to Warner and afterward missed it. Later he heard a soliloquy in Warner's room and it sounded very much like his missing speech, but the one that Rassieur delivered sounded more like it and he guessed that Warner accused Rassieur of stealing some one else's speech. He also intimated that the reason Warner wore a butternut colored suit was that Rassieur also got away with his uniform. The speaker eulogized the namesake of O. P. Morton Post, the great war governor of Indiana, and praised the members for providing the excellent entertainment afforded the visitors. He explained how the obligations originated and how the organization is peculiar to itself from the fact that the members of the Grand Army are bound together by loyalty and brotherly love formed and created around the camp fire while surrounded by the carnage of battle.

Next followed a recitation, "Sherman's March to the Sea," by Miss Nellie Bartlett, who spoke the piece with such feeling that many of the hearts of the audience were touched, and many an old veteran who joined in that famous march was deeply affected.

W. F. Henry, Department Inspector conducted a song service. He sang a solo and the audience joined in refrain of familiar army airs.

Commander-in-Chief A. G. Weissert was the last speaker introduced. His talk was brief, and devoted mainly to the Woman's Relief Corps. He spoke of the valuable aid the organization was to the Grand Army of the Republic. He asked where would some of the boys be now had it not been for the mothers, sisters or sweethearts who sent them words of cheer and hope while they were fighting for their country.

The Joplin Mandolin Club then played a selection most acceptably, after which the camp-fire adjourned.

On Thursday evening a public reception to the Department Commander and Staff was held at the rooms of the Joplin Club. The Carthage Light Guard Band furnished the music for the occasion, and the Kansas City G. A. R. quartette sang a number of songs. After an hour or more of social chat, those attending the reception adjourned to Serage's Hall, where a bean supper and camp-fire was in progress. This was altogether informal, and the boys enjoyed the generous lay-out of pork and beans, with the other accessories, until a late hour.

Much praise is due the comrades of O. P. Morton Post and the citizens of Joplin for their successful efforts to welcome and entertain the visiting comrades, and all left for their homes feeling pleased with their short visit to the great mining city of the southwest.

GENERAL ORDERS, 1892-93.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, }
 DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 28th, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 1. }

I. Having been elected Department Commander of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, at the Eleventh Annual Encampment, held at Chillicothe, Mo., on the 23d and 24th days of March, 1892, I hereby assume the duties of said office, fully realizing the great responsibilities it entails; also the great honor bestowed upon me, and while I sincerely thank my comrades for the honor, I earnestly ask of them to give me their counsel, aid and support, to the end that my administration may prove successful and our order greatly strengthened.

Comrades, during the coming year let us rally more loyally than ever around the banner of our Order, mustering under its folds every true and loyal soldier who wore the blue, and may we at all times keep brightly burning in our hearts the fire of friendship and patriotism, under our triple bond of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

II. The following comrades were elected to the offices designated, for the coming year:

Department Commander, Charles W. Whitehead, Post 8, Kansas City.

Senior Vice Department Commander, Louis Benecke, Post 268, Brunswick.

Junior Vice Department Commander, John P. Platt, Post 33, Kingston.

Medical Director, Dr. E. F. Lane, Post 73, Owasco.

Chaplain, Rev. Thos. H. Hagerty, Post 131, St. Louis.

Council of Administration, Francis P. Becker, Post 13, St. Louis;
 A. B. Parkell, Post 16, Carthage; B. Knoepfel, Post 43, Hannibal;
 W. B. Rogers, Post 72, Trenton.

III. The following named comrades were elected as Representatives and Alternates to the Twenty-sixth National Encampment:

REPRESENTATIVES.

A. J. Smith (at large), St. Louis.
 P. C. Stepp, Trenton.
 Lucien E. Carter, St. Joseph.
 J. V. Martin, Brookfield.
 John W. Scott, Moberly.
 Richard Gillem, Glasgow.
 J. W. Richardson, Springfield.
 H. H. Spence, Chillicothe.
 D. E. Shea, Mexico.
 L. B. Ripley, St. Louis.

ALTERNATES.

Jas. O. Churchill (at large), St. Louis.
 Euphrates Boucher, Mt. Vernon.
 Chas. Emery, Golden City.
 Ignatz Hartman, St. Louis.
 Jos. W. Harper, Hamilton.
 J. L. Erwin, Fulton.
 P. H. Jackley, Kansas City.
 Isaac Leeper, Avalon.
 Henry Evers, St. Louis.
 Wm. Greer, Camden.

Arnold Beck, St. Louis.	Wm. H. Mengel, California.
D. W. Pollock, Powersville,	G. J. Roote, Mansfield.
J. W. Tinsman, Kirksville.	P. V. Wise, St. Joseph.
Ira K. Alderman, Maryville.	David L. Kost, Gallatin.
Wm. Campbell, Sedalia.	Jno. W. Kildow, Maryville.
Wm. Lowe, Warrensburg.	Jno. P. Kivits, St. Louis.
N. S. Richardson, Macon.	Fred. Flammger, St. Louis.
F. M. Kimball, Cameron.	Ed. B. Ward, Bethany.
O. P. Smith, Kansas City.	Geo. H. Stout, Marceline.
Aug. Bierwirth, Cape Girardeau.	Alvin Haynie, Clinton.
Lewis Blakely, Carrollton.	D. J. Doughty, Farmington.
A. McVey, Chillicothe.	J. R. Hill, Princeton.

IV. The following appointment on the Staff of the Department Commander is hereby announced:

Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General,
Thomas B. Rodgers, Post 1, St. Louis.

He will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Other appointments will be announced in future Orders.

V. Headquarters having been fixed by the Encampment until the year 1900, at St. Louis, Mo., all official communications should be addressed to Thomas B. Rodgers, A. A. G., Department of Missouri, G. A. R., Room 406, Granite Building, Fourth and Market Streets, St. Louis, Mo.

VI. Post Commanders are requested to recommend to the Department Commander, a comrade for appointment as Aide-de-Camp on his Staff.

VII. The address of the Department Commander is Kansas City, Mo.

C. W. WHITEHEAD,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., MAY 3d, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 2. }

I. The Department Commander completes his official staff by the appointment of the following comrades, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Charles G. Burton, Judge Advocate, Post 26, Nevada.

Wilber F. Henry, Inspector, Post 3, Kansas City.

S. D. Webster, Chief Mustering Officer, Post 131, St. Louis.

II. The following named comrades are hereby appointed Aides-de-Camp upon the Staff of the Department Commander, and will at once enter on their duties:

Christ. Neidringhaus, Post 2, St. Louis.
 John M. Hynicka, Post 3, Kansas City.
 Ben. Warner, Post 4, Kansas City.
 Hiram J. Parker, Post 7, St. Joseph.
 Wm. D. Duncan, Post 8, Kansas City.
 John Herring, Post 13, St. Louis.
 E. W. Beach, Post 14, Joplin.
 A. D. Beedle, Post 15, Kansas City.
 E. F. McMurphy, Post 23, Macon.
 J. W. Truxell, Post 53, Sedalia.
 Jacob Garver, Post 54, Unionville.
 John Collar, Post 60, Dawn.
 Joel W. Hoover, Post 67, Tarkio.
 N. G. Starr, Post 70, Canton.
 W. C. Young, Post 75, Greenfield.
 Thos. Templeton, Post 76, Kidder.
 Henry C. Fike, Post 78, Warrensburg.
 J. P. Logan, Post 103, Chilhowee.
 Wm. O. Adams, Post 120, Maple Grove.
 Jacob Noll, Post 124, Bethany.
 Wm. W. Pacey, Post 137, Neosho.
 C. P. Woodruff, Post 141, Marionville.
 John H. A. Gorty, Post 168, Braymer.
 John P. Craig, Post 179, Memphis.
 Fred. Wenz, Post 182, St. Joseph.
 J. F. G. Cliborne, Post 219, Republic.
 M. G. Netherton, Post 222, Bancroft.
 B. Baldwin, Post 239, Mexico.
 J. B. Lebrand, Post 252, Sprague.
 John P. Randolph, Post 268, Brunswick.
 J. H. Cramer, Post 274, Norwood.
 E. H. Carter, Post 287, Rockville.
 R. P. McCune, Post 317, LaMonte.
 Henry W. Thieman, Post 331, Higginsville.
 Alvin Chamberlin, Post 371, Rocky Comfort.
 D. W. Lowry, Post 389, Lucerne.
 R. M. Griggs, Post 412, Newark.
 Robert Caldwell, Post 439, Advance.
 Madison Miller, Post 444, St. Louis.
 George E. Clark, Post 457, Benton.
 Hector Evans, Post 477, New Cambria.
 James D. Hatcher, Post 488, Pocahontas.
 F. W. Lohmann, Post 496, St. Louis.

With but few exceptions, the above appointed Aides-de-Camp have been recommended by Post Commanders; the number will be increased in future general orders if Post Commanders will make recommendations as requested in General Orders No. 1.

All comrades accepting appointments as Aides on the Staff of the Department Commander are expected to use every effort to build up our Order in their respective localities.

III. The charters of the following Posts were annulled by the Department Commander with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, for failing to make reports, which action has been approved by the Commander-in-Chief:

Carter Post No. 143, Browning.
 Powers Post No. 156, Bucklin.
 Conrad Drunard Post No. 165, Jonesburg.
 Andy Martin Post No. 259, Ava.
 Arcola Post No. 267, Arcola.
 James M. Macom Post No. 353, Pottersville.

The late Commanders of these Posts will at once return their charters, books and papers to these headquarters.

IV. Time until June 30th, 1892, was granted to the following delinquent Posts, to make their reports and pay their arrearages, otherwise they will stand suspended:

John A. Rawlins Post No. 187, Pierce City.
 Osterhaus Post No. 399, Clearmont.
 Clutter Post No. 460, Oxford.

Time until June 30th, 1892, was granted to Commodore Foote Post No. 448, New Madrid, heretofore suspended, to make reports, otherwise the charter will be annulled.

V. The following new Posts have been mustered:

Geo. W. Walker Post No. 526, at Darlington, Gentry Co., by Isaac McCollum, Post Commander, Post 311. Oscar Dodge, Post Commander.

Boone Post No. 527, at Columbia, Boone Co., by D. E. Shea, Chief Mustering Officer. Benjamin S. Benefiel, Post Commander.

Max Latimer Post No. 528, at Downing, Schuyler Co., by W. P. Leedom, Assistant Inspector. J. M. Penny, Post Commander.

Adjutant Pratt Post No. 530, at Mexico, Audrain Co., by D. E. Shea, Chief Mustering Officer. Walker Lillard, Post Commander.

Belmont Post No. 532, at Bolckow, Andrew Co., by Pembroke Mercer, Post Commander, Post 41. Francis Wells, Post Commander.

Capt. John Turner Post No. 533, at Plattsburg, Clinton Co., by B. J. Burk, Past Post Commander, Post 81. Samuel Johnson, Post Commander.

VI. The Department Encampment at its last meeting adopted the recommendation of the Council of Administration to offer the following prizes to be competed for by the Posts of the Department:

1st. To the Post showing the largest gain in new members in the year 1892, a U. S. Regulation Silk Flag, complete.

2d. To the Post showing the second largest gain, a U. S. Regulation Standard Bunting Flag, complete.

3d. To the Post showing the third largest gain, a pair of Silk Guidons.

All Posts organized before June 30th, 1892, may compete for these prizes. Recruits to be enumerated must either have been such as had never belonged to the Grand Army of the Republic, those who had been honorably discharged therefrom, transfers from other Departments, or those who had been dropped from the rolls. Suspended members and transfers within the Department cannot be included.

VII. The Sherman Monument Committee appointed by Department Commander Martin, and consisting of comrades Geo. W. Bailey, Post 131, St. Louis; F. M. Sterrett, Post 1, St. Louis; Jno. E. Phelps, Post 69, Springfield; Theo. S. Case, Post 3, Kansas City; and Chas. F. Ernst, Post 7, St. Joseph, is hereby continued.

VIII. The Department Commander is informed by the Committee on Accommodations for the Twenty-sixth National Encampment, that it is desired that all Posts which contemplate attending as organizations should make application for quarters before June 15th, 1892, stating the name, number and location of Post, and the number of comrades for whom accommodations are desired. Address Col. L. P. Wright, Chairman, Atlantic Building, Washington, D. C.

All others desiring private quarters, should make application to the same committee.

The Department Headquarters during the Encampment will be located at the Ebbitt House, corner of Fourteenth and F Streets, and it is suggested that those applying for quarters would ask to be located as near that locality as convenient.

IX. The per capita tax remains as before, ten cents for six months for each member in good standing.

X. By an oversight the name of comrade John P. Tracy, Post 69, Springfield, was omitted as a member of the Council of Administration, in General Orders No. 1.

XI. General Orders Nos. 8, 9 and 10, National Headquarters are transmitted herewith.

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XIII. The following applicant for membership has been rejected. By Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, Ed. V. Allen, late Sergeant Co. C, 1st Regt. Maryland Inf't. Vols.

By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS.,
 ST. LOUIS, MO., May 4th, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 3. }

Comrades, again Memorial Day will call us to assemble to pay our tribute of respect, love and veneration for our heroic dead.

In accordance with established custom, and in compliance with General Orders No. 9 from Headquarters, Grand Army of the Republic, Monday, May 30th, will be observed as a sacred Memorial Day. It will be our solemn and grateful duty to turn aside once more from the avocations of our daily life, to decorate the graves of our departed comrades with the flowers of Spring; to recall their service to the country they loved so well, and from these memories gather new strength for the duties of life devolving upon us who remain.

In these decoration excises, encourage the children to take part: while they strew flowers upon soldiers' graves, they are taught that the patriotism which saved the Union must never be forgotten, but must ever be treasured as a sacred undying memory. Their tribute will be to us a present inspiration, and when we have passed away, we shall have the assurance, that on Memorial Day of all coming years, flowers like the gentle dew from heaven, will fall upon the green earth where sleep the soldiers of the Republic.

It is earnestly recommended that every Post in the Department dedicate this day to sacred observances, and that memorial exercises be held, in which the character and services of our honored dead may be set forth in accordance with the rules of our Order, and in such a manner as may prove a solace to those who mourn, and an example to the rising generation.

The Department Commander recommends that the Posts attend divine service uniformed on Sunday preceding Memorial Day.

The time will come when Memorial Day will be a National tribute to the memory of those who saved the Nation. As the years pass by, the people of every land look to our country as the realization of liberty, the hope of the present, and glorious prophecy of the future. The memory of those who made the Nation, and of those who preserved it, will be a sacred heritage for the north, and for the south, for all the people, in all this broad land.

Let us then invite all who love their country, to join with us in these memorial exercises.

By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS.,
 ST. LOUIS, MO., June 3d, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 4. }

I. The following additional appointments as Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander, are hereby announced, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

P. A. Spangler, Post 1, St. Louis.
 Frank Hill, Post 16, Carthage.
 J. J. Hooker, Post 32, Hamilton.
 John S. Cùpp, Post 63, Holden.
 L. C. Carpenter, Post 66, Winston.
 Jere. C. Tallman, Post 111, Iberia.
 R. C. House, Post 114, Poplar Bluff.
 S. W. Clark, Post 134, Albany.
 W. E. Jenkins, Post 220, Jamesport.
 C. W. Corkran, Post 221, Novelty.
 Wm. H. Mengel, Post 276, California.
 Wm. L. Heckmann, Post 320, Hermann.
 John H. Near, Post 337, Jasper.
 M. Jones, Post 370, Cunningham.
 Gottlieb Motti, Post 375, Harwood.
 Geo. H. Stone, Post 387, Marceline.
 J. W. Blume, Post 506, Indian Grove.
 James Payne, Post 513, Glasgow.
 J. L. York, Post 518, Bertrand.

II. Duplicate blanks of Forms A and B for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's Reports for the six months ending June 30th, are herewith enclosed. These reports should be made out at the last meeting in June, and after having been signed by the Post Commander, should be enclosed together in one envelope with the per capita tax, and forward to the Assistant Adjutant General. The per capita tax remains as before, ten cents for six months, for each member in good standing as shown by the Adjutant's report. All are members in good standing who have not been actually suspended by the Post, in accordance with the rules and regulations, and should be reported by the Adjutant, notwithstanding they may be in arrears for dues.

The figures in red ink in Adjutant's report blanks are intended to insure correctness and should not be changed. Quartermasters and Adjutants should see that their reports agree as to the number "remaining in good standing."

To correct a confusion of ideas in the minds of many Post officers in regard to the "suspended" and "dropped," they are reminded that comrades must be reported "suspended" before they can be reported as "dropped." When comrades are suspended they are deducted from the aggregate, and are carried as "remaining suspended." Should they afterwards be reported as "dropped," they are not to be deducted from the aggregate, but from the "number remaining suspended."

Comrades lost from any cause should in all cases be reported by name, giving also the "consecutive number" of each from the descriptive book. Comrades lost by "transfer" should not be reported as "honorably discharged." The classes are distinct, and should be kept so on the reports.

Blanks of Form F for Post Surgeon's reports are also enclosed, which should be made out and promptly forwarded to Dr. E. F. Lane, Medical Director, Owasco, Mo. Care should be taken to report all deaths since January 1st. The reports of the Medical Directors show that the list of deaths as reported by the Post Surgeons is not so full and complete as is reported to the Assistant Adjutant General by the Post Adjutants. There is no good reason why this should be so, and it can only be due to carelessness on the part of those whose special duty it is to make these reports. Post Adjutants should furnish the necessary data and assist the Post Surgeons to make complete reports, and when there is no Post Surgeon, should report the deaths to the Medical Director.

III. Comrades desiring Certificates of Membership adopted by the National Encampment, are reminded that they may be obtained from the Assistant Adjutant General, at forty cents each, which includes postage. To Posts ordering ten or more they will be furnished at thirty-five cents each. They are of handsome design and beautifully engraved on fine paper suitable for framing.

IV. Comrades appointed as Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander, should provide themselves with their official badge, which can be procured from the Assistant Adjutant General.

V. The following new Posts have been mustered:

Ben. Lewis Post No. 529, at Glasgow, Howard Co., by Senior Vice Department Commander Louis Benecke. Jno. N. McClintock, Post Commander.

Flag Springs Post No. 532, at Flag Springs, Andrew Co., by Pembroke Mercer, Post Commander, Post 41. David Bonham, Post Commander.

Sergeant Welch Post No. 534, at Ponce de Leon, Stone Co., by Joseph Payne, Past Post Commander, Post 323. F. T. Welch, Post Commander.

Samuel Warner Post No. 535, at Laredo, Grundy Co., by J. H. Rose, Past Post Commander, Post 241. J. P. Thomas, Post Commander.

VI. The number of Belmont Post, at Bolckow, Andrew Co., is 531, instead of 532, as published in General Orders No. 8.

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By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., July 13th, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 5. }

I. The Department Commander calls the attention of all comrades in this Department to the National Encampment, to be held in Washington, D. C., September 20th to 24th. The railroad rates as yet have not been definitely fixed. Some of the roads have named a fare of one cent per mile for round trip; doubtless a rate not to exceed that, and possibly better, may prevail. The rate from St. Louis and return at present, is eighteen dollars (\$18.00) for the round trip. As soon as definitely known, the rates will be announced in General Orders.

It is the wish of the Department Commander that the Department move on Washington with columns closed as much as possible, and would suggest, that as many as can conveniently do so, will go by the way of St. Louis, and all start from there on a date to be agreed upon later; in this way, our Department will not only make a good showing in Washington, but in every State and City through which we pass.

II. The Department Commander wishes to call attention to, and to encourage all comrades to attend the Re-unions which are being arranged for in different localities of this Department. As all old soldiers attend these gatherings, whether comrades or not, no better opportunity is offered to explain the objects of our organization, and to recruit and build up the Grand Army of the Republic.

III. The Missouri Chatauqua Assembly, which holds its Annual Encampment at Pirtle Springs, near Warrensburg, Mo., has designated July 20th, 1892, to be observed as a "Grand Army Day," the platform and grounds of the assembly to be entirely given up on that day to G. A. R. speakers and exercises appropriate to the occasion. This patriotic movement on the part of this great institution, was heartily endorsed by the Department Encampment at Moberly. Those who were so fortunate as to be present last year, will need no further inducement to avail themselves of the opportunity which is again presented, of inculcating the cardinal principles upon which our Order rests, and at the same time encourage a rich entertainment. A general attendance this year, by Posts and individual comrades, is cordially recommended. Remember, comrades, this is our day. Let us make it a success.

IV. Attention is also called to the Eleventh Annual Re-union of the Third District of Missouri, which will be held at the Fair Grounds in the city of Chillicothe, September 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, 1892.

V. The following additional appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander, are hereby announced:

To be Aides-de-Camp: David Laughlin, Post 405, Pickering; R. W. Calvin, Post 516, Carterville.

To be Aide-de-Camp and Department Color-Bearer: Stephen Dellacella, Post 1, St. Louis.

To be Aide-de-Camp and Department Bugler: R. R. Miller, Post 33, Kingston.

VI. Post Commanders who have not already forwarded their Adjutant's and Quartermaster's Report for the first term of 1892, ending June 30th, are urged to do so at once, as it is necessary to have them for consolidation at as early a day as possible, that the reports may be made to National Headquarters.

There seems to be a want of care in many cases in making complete reports of Post Surgeons to the Medical Director. Care should be taken to report fully the losses by death, giving names, and properly filling out the blank on back of the reports.

VII. The Assistant Adjutant General has procured a supply of the bronze Department Badges, which can be had, on requisition, at the price of sixty (60) cents, postage paid. All comrades who will attend the National Encampment should procure this badge.

VIII. The location of Vidette Post No. 272, has been changed, with the approval of the Department Commander, from Malden to Cane Creek, Dunklin Co.

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X. The following applicant for membership has been rejected:

By W. D. Porter Post No. 484, J. C. Lynch, Company D, 24th Wisconsin Volunteers.

By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, Mo., August 15th, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 7. }

I. The Twenty-sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will meet at the Capital of our Nation, Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, September 21st. The grand parade and review will be on Tuesday, September 20th.

II. The Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant General will have quarters at the Ebbitt House, corner Fourteenth and F. Streets, Washington. The business headquarters of the Department will be at the City Hall Building, at the head of Four and a Half Street, near Pennsylvania Avenue, where all Missouri comrades are requested to call

and register on their arrival, and where letters and telegrams may be addressed. Comrades W. F. Henry, Department Inspector, and S. D. Webster, Chief Mustering Officer will be in charge of these headquarters. Comrade W. D. Duncan, Aide-de-Camp, Post 8 of Kansas City, is hereby detailed for duty at the Ebbitt House headquarters.

III. On the day of the parade the Department Officers, Aides-de-Camp and Representatives to the Encampment will report at the above headquarters at the City Hall, in uniform, one hour before the time designated for the column to move. The Missouri Posts and comrades will report and form for parade at the point designated for Missouri, and at the hour designated for the parade to start. The line of march will be from the Capital on Pennsylvania Avenue to the Washington Circle, Twenty-third Street, and is not over two miles in length. All comrades who take part in the parade must be in uniform. The line of march is short and it is desired that all who are able will join in the parade and help to maintain the previous fine record made by the Department of Missouri.

IV. The Department Commander announces for the information of all comrades that the present rates as fixed by the various railroads, from Kansas City to Washington and return is \$24.50, and from St. Louis and return is \$18.00. Tickets will be sold from 15th to 19th of September, going; good to return including October 10th. Children between five and twelve years of age will be charged half fare. The rates from other points in Missouri *via* St. Louis, will be one fare for the round trip added to the rate from St. Louis. It is understood that the Chesapeake & Ohio and Baltimore & Ohio Railroads each grant the privilege of stop-over on their tickets returning from Washington. The Vandalia Railroad, which is the Pennsylvania Route has not so far made this concession. Comrades are advised to watch the newspapers for any changes that may occur in the matter of railroad rates or conditions.

V. The Department Commander and Staff, with the "Kansas City Division" composed of comrades of the several Posts of Kansas City, and Company "A" (Veterans), 3d Regiment National Guards of Missouri as escort, will leave Kansas City, on Thursday morning, September 15th, at 8:30 o'clock, by special through train from Kansas City to Washington *via* Burlington Route to St. Louis, Big Four Route from St. Louis to Cincinnati and the Chesapeake and Ohio Route from Cincinnati to Washington.

Pullman sleepers, tourist sleepers, chair cars and coaches will run through from Kansas City to Washington. The charge for a berth in the sleeping cars, accommodating two persons, will be \$7.00 from Kansas City to Washington, and in the tourist cars will be \$2.75, and from St. Louis will be \$5.00 for the sleepers and \$2.00 for the tourist cars. The extra expense for the two days' trip to Richmond and Old Point Comfort will be for each double berth in pullman sleeping car,

\$3.45: in tourist sleeping car, \$1.25; each berth will accommodate two people. Reclining chair cars will be provided free.

All comrades wishing to take the train either at Kansas City or St. Louis, should notify the committee on transportation, composed of comrades W. D. Duncan, Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 8; O. P. Smith, Farragut Post No. 3; H. C. Weaver, McPherson Post No. 4; John P. Conner, Gen'l Shields Post No. 15, Kansas City, Mo., of their intention to do so, and the kind of accommodation they desire.

The Department train will be properly decorated, and will arrive in St. Louis at 6 P. M., September 15th, leaving St. Louis at 7 P. M., where many have signified their intention of joining us. The train will arrive at Cincinnati at 6 A. M. on the 16th, arrive at White Sulphur Springs at 6:30 P. M., same day, where it will remain for an hour and a half; will arrive at Gordonsville at 3:25 A. M. on the 17th and Richmond at 6:15 A. M.; will stop four hours at Richmond, giving an opportunity to look over the old Confederate Capital; will arrive at Old Point Comfort and Fortress Monroe at 1 P. M., September 17th. A day and a half will be profitably spent there on the sea shore and reviewing this historic locality. Passengers can occupy their sleepers while here and thus save the expense of hotels. Those who wish can take the steamer from Old Point Comfort to Washington, on Saturday Evening the 17th, at a cost of \$2.00. The train will leave Old Point Comfort for Washington at 7 P. M., Sunday, September 18th, arriving in Washington at 6:30 next morning. Meals en route will be furnished at the eating stations along the road at 50 cents each. Passengers so desiring can go direct to Washington from Gordonsville, arriving on Saturday morning the 17th.

On returning, comrades who went to Washington *via* the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway, can buy for the special rate of \$2.00, a ticket from Washington to Fortress Monroe *via* steamer down the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay, thence by rail to Richmond, Va., and from Richmond they will not be required to return to Washington, but can use their regular ticket from Richmond homeward, either *via* the main line through Gordonsville and Staunton, or *via* the James River Division through Lynchburg and Natural Bridge. By the latter route they can stop off and visit Appomattox, twelve miles distant. Parties who want to go to Richmond on return, and do not care to take the Potomac River trip, can buy a ticket from Gordonsville to Richmond for 85 cents, and will have the privilege of returning home from Richmond, either *via* the Main Line or the James River Division. Tickets will permit stop overs at all points on the return trip, the company being desirous that comrades take advantage of these stop overs.

The route from St. Louis is over the Big Four, through Terre Haute and Indianapolis to Cincinnati, and from there by the Chesapeake and Ohio, along the south bank of the Ohio River, through Maysville and Ashland, Kentucky, and through many miles of the most varied and

picturesque mountain and river scenery in the Virginias, passing through Staunton, Gordonsville, Culpepper, Manassas and Alexandria, to Washington. The road is first-class in every respect, and its regular trains are all vestibuled, lighted with electric lights, and carry through sleeping and dining cars.

The Department President and other officers of the Woman's Relief Corps have been invited to accompany the Department Commander on the headquarters train.

VI. Free quarters will be provided at Washington, for Grand Army comrades only, in temporary buildings to be erected for that purpose. It is requested by the Committee that applications for free quarters should be sent by September 1st, to Col. L. P. Wright, Chairman of the Committee on Accommodation, Room 66, Atlantic Building, Washington, D. C., giving name, number and location of Post, and the number requiring accommodation. Such applications should be signed by the Commander or Adjutant of the Post. Those wishing these quarters will have to provide themselves with blankets.

VII. Post Commanders will report to the Assistant Adjutant General, not later than September 1st, the number of comrades from their respective Posts who will attend the Encampment, and the number who will want free quarters. When Posts have secured their own quarters, they will report the location of the same. It is recommended to those comrades who desire private quarters, that they apply for same at once, through Col. Wright, the Chairman of the Committee on Accommodation. The committee state that good quarters can be secured for lodgings at 75 cents to \$1.50, and good board and lodgings at from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per day, in private houses. Hotel accommodations for many hundreds can still be secured, at prices ranging from \$2.50 to \$5.00 each per day.

VIII. The headquarters at St. Louis will be closed from September 16th to October 1st.

IX. Representatives elect to the National Encampment, will notify the Assistant Adjutant General, not later than September 1st, whether or not they will be able to attend, so that alternates may be notified if necessary.

X. The Tenth Annual Department Encampment provided: "That the Department Commander appoint an Assistant Inspector from each Post—other than the Adjutant or Quartermaster—on the recommendation of the Department Inspector, who shall make the inspection of his Post, as provided by the rules and regulations." Each Post Commander is requested to forward the name of some comrade of his Post qualified for such appointment, to Wilbur F. Henry, Department Inspector, Room 401, Massachusetts Building, Kansas City, Mo.

XI. The Annual Re-union of the Ozark Battalion will be held at Salem, Mo., on August 31st, and September 1st and 2d, 1892.

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XIII. The following applicants for membership have been rejected:

By Colonel Hassendeubel Post No. 13, Adam Rauch, *alias* Adam Gezerich, Private, Company I, 2d Regiment, Maryland Infantry.

Chas. Fisher, Private, Company I, 2d Regiment, Maryland Infantry.

Frank Keyes, Private, Battery K, 1st U. S. Artillery.

By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., September 3d, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 8. }

I. The National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held in Washington, D. C., on the 20th day of September, next, has awakened a more intense interest among our comrades than has been manifested in any previous Encampment. Washington is the Capitol of our Government, which the soldiers of the Union fought to save. It was founded by Washington the father of his country, and defended by Lincoln its saviour. It has witnessed the grand review of the noble Army of the Potomac, and the army which marched with Sherman to the sea. The last of these armies, the Grand Army of the Republic will again march down its historic avenue to the music of the Union. Let the Department of Missouri be nobly represented, and excel, if possible, our former proud record for soldierly appearance and large attendance. Let every comrade march with his Post in full Grand Army uniform.

For comrades whose respective Posts are not present, a temporary organization will be formed on the left of the Department, where, it is earnestly desired, that all such comrades from this Department fall in. Benjamin Warner, Aide-de-Camp, is hereby appointed by the Department Commander to command this organization.

II. "The Kansas City Division" composed of comrades from the several Posts of Kansas City, and Company "A" (Veterans) 3d Regiment, National Guards of Missouri will be the escort of the Department Commander and staff, to the Twenty-sixth National Encampment.

III. The business headquarters of the Department, during the Encampment at Washington, will be at the Franklin School Building, corner of Thirteenth and K Streets, in the first room to the right of the southern entrance on Thirteenth Street, and not at the City Hall Building as announced in General Orders No. 7.

The Department is indebted to Frank P. Blair Post No. 1 for the use of this room, which is much more convenient for all the comrades of the Department than the location at the City Hall.

All Missouri comrades are requested to call at the above headquarters on their arrival and register. Representatives and Department Officers will also report there on their arrival. On the morning of the parade, Department Officers, Aides-de-Camps and Representatives to the Encampment will report at above headquarters at 8:20 o'clock.

IV. The Department of Missouri will form for parade at 9:30 A. M., on B Street Southeast, the right resting on Pennsylvania Avenue. This is one square east of the southeast corner of the Capitol Grounds.

The following order will be observed in formation of the column:

First, Department Commander and Staff; second, the escort to the Department Commander; third, Posts in the order of their seniority; fourth, unattached comrades organized in battalion.

V. The following extracts from the circular of the Commander-in-Chief in regard to the parade are published for the information of all concerned:

“The column will move at 9:30 A. M.

Posts will form a line or lines according to strength, double rank, twenty-four files front (even if covering sidewalk in streets where they form); on arrival on Pennsylvania Avenue each line will separate in two lines or platoons, each of twelve file front, and the right platoon will march to the right, the other to the left of the street railroad tracks, both guiding to the left. Bands will march in front of their Posts, opposite to the center. Two small Posts may form one such line, and separate as above by Posts. On Fifteenth Street there will be two wheels, one to the right, the other to the left, and the man on the pivot flank of each full line of the two platoons must take a step of nine inches, not mark time, so as to make the wheel a success, the whole line to wheel as one.

Guide will be left. There will be two reviewing stands: the first for the President of the United States, the next for the Commander-in-Chief. Only the officers and those commanding platoons, if not officers, will salute, with the sword, if such be worn, otherwise with the right hand, turning at the same time the head towards the reviewing officer, the colors will also salute. Staff officers salute with their Commander, and all the other officers salute when six paces from the reviewing officer and recover sword or drop the hand when six paces beyond him.

The distance in column will be twelve paces, not more, between lines in Departments: between Departments twenty-four paces.

Having passed the arch (on Pennsylvania Avenue after leaving Fifteenth Street) the two platoons will unite and form one continuous line and thus pass the reviewing stands.

The parade terminates at the Washington Circle."

VI. The State Superintendents of Public Instruction in all the States and Territories have been appointed by the National Educational Association, as a general Committee, to arrange for and direct a celebration in all the public schools throughout the United States of Discovery Day, October 21st, 1892, the 400th Anniversary of the Discovery of America.

It is desired by the committee and is recommended by the Commander-in-Chief, that the Grand Army of the Republic shall take a prominent part in the exercises on that interesting occasion. A programme will soon be published and distributed to each locality, which will provide for morning exercises in the school houses, and especially arranged for the pupils, which will include a salute to the flag, also for an afternoon celebration and parade. The comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic are expected to send details to every school house to assist in the morning salute to the flag, and also to act as escorts to the pupils in the afternoon parade.

VII. Post Commanders will confer with the school officials and teachers of their respective localities at the proper time, and assure them of the hearty co-operation of the Posts in such exercises as may be arranged for the comrades to take part in. They will issue orders for assembling the Posts, October 21st, in uniform, with badges, and have detail present at the school houses at the hour fixed for raising and saluting the flag.

They are also requested to invite the Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary to their Posts, and the Sons of Veterans in their respective localities to join with them in carrying out the wishes of the general and local committees.

VIII. With sincere regret the Department Commander announces the death of comrade Chas. F. Ernst, of Custer Post No. 7, St. Joseph, Mo. Comrade Ernst was well known throughout the Department as one of our earliest and most zealous members, and his death will be deplored by all who knew him and will miss his genial kindly presence. He was a member of the "Sherman Monument Committee." To fill the vacancy on this committee, occasioned by his death, the Department Commander hereby appoints comrade Thos. W. Evans, of Post 7, St. Joseph, Mo.

IX. The following additional appointment as Aide-de-Camp is announced: Henry W. Wagner, Post 50, Harrisonville.

X. The attention of Post Commanders is called to the necessity of sending in at once, the name of a comrade of their Post to act as

Assistant Inspector, which was called for in paragraph X, of General Orders No. 7. There must be one from each Post. Send names to Wilbur F. Henry, Department Inspector, Room 401, Massachusetts Building, Kansas City, Mo.

XI. The Commander calls attention gladly to the fact, that the National Association of Old Army Chaplains is to have a Convention in Washington, Wednesday A. M., and at night of Wednesday of Encampment week. He hopes that all Chaplains of the Department who can, will attend that Convention, and help on the good work.

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XIII. The following applicant for membership has been rejected:
By Rousseau Post No. 80, R. J. Huffman, Private Co. D. 44th Mo. Inf.

By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS.,
ST. LOUIS, MO., November 15th, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 9. }

I. The gathering of the survivors of the late war at the Capitol of our Nation and the grand parade on the 20th day of September, 1892, preliminary to the meeting of the Twenty-sixth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was an event that has never been surpassed in the history of our Order. Eighty thousand of the war-worn and battle-scarred veterans of our grand organization marched in procession past the Capitol, down the historic Avenue, and past the reviewing stands in front of the President's Mansion; while multiplied thousands, gathering from all parts of our Nation, formed a solid mass of humanity from curbstone to buildings on either side along the entire line of march.

The Vice-President of the United States and Cabinet Officers, the Commander-in-Chief and his staff, from their respective reviewing stands watched the procession pass for eight hours and fifty-five minutes.

The Department Commander congratulates the comrades of this Department that in all that splendid procession, the grandest save one that ever formed on this continent, the Department of Missouri was the peer of any.

No Department excited more favorable comment or evoked more hearty applause than did our own, and the Department Commander takes this occasion to thank all who took part in the parade for the

enthusiastic interest which secured such a splendid result. He feels that the proud position heretofore occupied by the Department of Missouri was fully maintained and splendidly represented by the different organizations of our Order present at this last and greatest Encampment.

II. An inspection of the Posts of this Department is hereby ordered to be made under the direction of the Department Inspector.

This inspection will be made at the meeting at which the officers are installed and before the installation, and report of the same must be forwarded to the Department Inspector not later than March 1st.

The form of inspection will be the same as that used last year.

III. The Eleventh Annual Department Encampment authorized the Department Commander to appoint an Assistant Inspector from each Post—other than the Adjutant or Quartermaster—who shall make the inspection of his Post as provided by the rules and regulations.

In accordance with this action the following named comrades, having been nominated by the Department Inspector, are hereby appointed Assistant Inspectors to inspect their respective Posts, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

NAME.	POST No.	NAME.	Post No.
Jas. C. Broadwell.....	1	Madison Corbin.....	42
Wm. Gregory.....	2	Samuel J. Miller.....	43
O. P. Smith.....	3	G. W. Riggins.....	44
H. S. Tipton.....	4	A. C. Ware.....	45
John W. Scott.....	5	R. H. Shute.....	46
W. H. Lusk.....	6	Charles McCullough.....	47
C. A. Mossman.....	7	A. C. Gavan.....	48
W. H. Woodring.....	8	James Davis.....	49
J. B. Williams.....	10	P. H. Taylor.....	50
John Manard.....	11	A. H. Tieman.....	51
N. C. Stark.....	12	J. Grimshaw.....	52
L. C. Hesse.....	13	E. J. Smith.....	53
J. G. Lurwick.....	14	R. E. Chawdlee.....	54
A. D. Beedle.....	15	Peter Noblet.....	56
James Spence.....	16	E. E. Ward.....	57
R. S. Eakin.....	17	L. H. Showalter.....	58
J. J. Hofer.....	18	G. W. Mason.....	59
Martin V. Marsh.....	19	Wm. Hare.....	60
Fred J. Wiseman.....	20	M. W. Davis.....	61
Ira K. Alderman.....	21	John S. Cupp.....	63
O. C. Snyder.....	22	M. Breeden.....	64
N. S. Richardson.....	23	Jacob Mumm.....	65
G. D. Gray.....	25	Wesley Lee.....	66
B. T. Bevelle.....	26	W. C. Garrett.....	67
H. H. Spence.....	29	J. Frank Tomlin.....	68
Philip McPherson.....	32	C. Driscoll.....	69
Richard D. Sackman.....	33	August Glaeser.....	70
C. M. Miller.....	34	Luther Collier.....	72
E. Magoon.....	36	E. F. Lane.....	73
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Many Post Commanders have failed to recommend a comrade for Assistant Inspector, and no appointments have been made for such Posts. In all such cases, the inspection will be made by the installing officer before installation.

IV. The annual election of officers of the several Posts will be held at the first regular meeting in December, 1892, as provided by the rules and regulations. At the same meeting Posts will elect representatives to the Twelfth Annual Department Encampment.

Each Post is entitled to one representative and one alternate for every fifty members in good standing, and one additional representative and alternate for a final fraction of more than half that number. Posts having less than fifty members are entitled to one representative and one alternate. Post Commanders and Past Post Commanders being ex-officio members of the Encampment should not be elected as representatives.

V. The basis of representation is the number of members in good standing as shown by the Adjutant's report for the term ending June 30th, 1892. Posts mustered after January 1st, 1893, will be entitled to representation by the Post Commander, or in his absence, by the Senior or Junior Vice Commander. Posts in arrears for reports or dues are not entitled to representation in the Department Encampment.

VI. Post Commanders will immediately after the election report to the Assistant Adjutant General the names of representatives and alternates elect, together with the names of all Past Post Commanders in good standing in their Posts, on blanks which are herewith enclosed. They should see that the names are plainly and correctly written, so that errors may be avoided in making up the roll for the Encampment. They will keep a duplicate report to be presented to the Committee on Credentials at the Encampment.

VII. At the first regular meeting in January, 1893, the newly elected officers will be installed by the Senior Past Post Commander present. If none are present, then any member of the Department Staff is authorized to act, provided that no comrade has been specially detailed

for that purpose. Installing officers are required before proceeding with the installation, to ascertain whether all reports or dues have been forwarded to Department Headquarters; where this has not been done, they will not proceed until the reports and dues are placed in their hands for that purpose. They will also see that the Quartermaster has filed a satisfactory bond before he is installed.

VIII. Duplicate blanks for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports for the second term of 1892, being the six months ending December 31st, are transmitted herewith. These should be made out at the last meeting in December and forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General in one envelope, with the per capita tax of ten cents for each member in good standing as per Adjutant's report. Reports should be sent in promptly at or immediately after the last meeting in December. Where a Post has remitted the dues of a comrade, it is not liable for the per capita tax on such comrade. In such cases the number remitted should be stated on the Adjutant's report. The National Countersign for 1893 will be sent on receipt of the reports.

A blank for report of Post Surgeon is enclosed which should be made out and forwarded to the Medical Director of the Department.

IX. Our representation in the next National Encampment will be based on the number of members in good standing as shown by the Adjutant's reports for December 31st, 1892. The Department Commander cannot too strongly impress upon the officers and comrades the importance of using every effort to increase our membership by the re-instatement of suspended comrades, as well as recruiting new members. The Posts are reminded that three prizes are offered for the greatest increase in membership during the year 1892, and but a short time now remains for work.

X. General Orders Nos. 1 and 2, National Headquarters are enclosed with this order.

XI. The removal of Phil. Sheridan Post No. 398, from Gulf, Mo., to Walnut Grove, Mo., has been approved by the Department Commander.

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XIII. The following named applicant for membership has been rejected:

By Capt. John Mathews Post No. 69, Springfield, Mo., Isaac N. Bilyew, late Private Co. H, 1st Kansas Cav., and Co. B, 12th Kansas Inf.

By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., December 15th, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 10. }

I. The Department Council of Administration has selected Wednesday and Thursday, April 12th and 13th, 1893, for the meeting of the Twelfth Annual Department Encampment, at Joplin, Mo.

II. Blanks for the inspection of Posts have been sent to the Assistant Inspector of each Post, where such have been appointed. Where no Assistant Inspector has been named, the blanks are sent herewith to the Post Commander, to be turned over to the installing officer, who will act as Assistant Inspector and make the inspection before the installation of officers, making report of the same to the Department Inspector.

The post office address of the Assistant Inspectors not having been furnished, they have been addressed at the post office where the Post is located. If for any reasons they should fail to receive the blanks, they should immediately notify the Assistant Adjutant General, who will send other blanks.

The form of inspection is the same as that adopted at Detroit, in 1891, and used last year. It can be found in the back of the Service Book, edition of 1892, and also in General Orders No. 5, National Headquarters, November 6th, 1891.

The Department Commander especially urges upon Assistant Inspectors and Post Commanders the importance of having a careful and thorough inspection of each Post.

III. When Posts are delinquent for reports or dues for one term or more, a statement of arrearages will be sent to the Assistant Inspector, with Adjutant's and Quartermaster's report blanks. He will procure these reports to be made and forwarded as soon as possible, and in case of failure to do so, he will report the fact, with full information as to the condition of its affairs, and send such recommendations as he deems proper to these headquarters.

VI. A blank for report of the officers elect is enclosed with this order. This should be filled out with the names of all officers, both elected and appointed, and returned to the Assistant Adjutant General. When the post office address of the Post Commander is different from that where the Post is located, it should be stated on this report.

V. In order to avoid errors in the printing of the names of comrades in the roll of the Encampment and the Department Roster, it is recommended that each Post Commander and Adjutant give personal and particular attention to the distinct writing and correct spelling of the names of officers elect and representatives to the Department Encampment reported to these headquarters.

VI. General Orders No. 3, and Circular No. 1, from National Headquarters are transmitted with this order.

VII. The following new Posts have been mustered:

Aldrich Post No. 536, at Aldrich, Polk Co., by C. L. Allen, Past Post Commander, Post 149. D. M. Dickerson, Post Commander.

Tecumseh Post No. 537, at Blackwater, Cooper Co., by T. M. Rice, Post Commander, Post 240. Elliott Griffith, Post Commander.

Isabella Post No. 538, at Isabella, Ozark Co., by J. A. Bingaman, Past Post Commander, Post 275. Lorenzo D. Haskins, Post Commander.

Tillman Terrill Post No. 539, at Moberly, Mo., by Jno. W. Scott, Past Post Commander, Post 5. Peter Turner, Post Commander.

VIII. Many Posts continue to make the mistake of remitting five cents per capita for the six months. For their information it is again stated that the per capita tax is ten cents for six months.

By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander.

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., December 22d, 1892. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 11. }

I. The following report of the committee created by the Department Encampment of Missouri has been carefully considered by the Department Commander, and the scheme proposed to raise funds, as a special Grand Army of the Republic contribution, for an object so worthy of our best endeavors, is hereby heartily favored and approved.

I earnestly recommend that each Post in this Department, upon the receipt of this order, immediately take action as indicated in the scheme presented by said committee, and that the Posts in the Department of Missouri, by liberal contributions to the indicated fund and worthy object, will evince their generous appreciation of the worth to our common country of the great soldier—Sherman, and of his chosen comradeship and last resting place in this Department. Comrades of the Department of Missouri, let me urge that the contributions by Posts on the meeting nights nearest to the birth-day of our great chieftain—February 8th—be as liberal as circumstances will permit, and as the great fame and sterling patriotism of our great soldier-comrade merit.

ST. LOUIS, October 5th, 1892.

To C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.

The committee appointed by order of the Department Encampment and officially recognized and encouraged by you, to raise funds as a

Grand Army of the Republic of Missouri contribution to the erection in or near St. Louis, of a Sherman monument, respectfully recommend the adoption and promulgation of the following scheme for the effecting of the purpose indicated.

1st. A special Grand Army of the Republic contribution by Posts in their organized capacity.

2d. A formal official request issued in form of a General Order, that each one of the nearly 500 Posts in the Department liberally contribute from their general or special Post funds, respectively, such amounts as may be deemed proper and worthy of the Grand Army of the Republic.

3d. That general or special Post funds be created for such special purpose by entertainments or other methods to be determined by the Posts respectively.

4th. That the Department Commander designate some particular day, the anniversary of the berth of Gen. Sherman (February 8th), and do officially announce that, pursuant to the request and recommendation of this committee, the respective regular Post meetings to be held nearest to said date be open meetings, and designated Sherman memorial meetings, and the special topics to be presented or illustrated at the same, to be Sherman, his patriotism, military genius, his life and his invaluable services to our common country; the main object being to stimulate a patriotic appreciation of Sherman as a distinguished soldier and comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the propriety of a distinct and liberal Grand Army of the Republic contribution to a worthy monument to be erected in this Department to perpetuate his memory and patriotic and heroic deeds, as directed by the Department of Missouri.

5th. That pursuant to this scheme each Post in the Department be requested upon receipt thereof, to create a special Sherman memorial committee to devise and report to their respective Posts, ways and means, perfect suitable arrangements, or recommend some plan for the accomplishment of the purpose indicated.

6th. That the Post custodians of such funds so appropriated or raised, immediately remit the same to the treasurer of this committee, to be by him received for and held subject to the order of the Department Encampment.

7th. That the treasurer to be elected by said committee, before entering upon his duties as such, give a good and sufficient bond, to be approved by the Department Commander and payable to the Department Commander for the use of the Department Encampment, conditioned upon the faithful discharge of his duties and the proper accounting for the payment of said fund to the order of the Department Encampment.

8th. That prior to said anniversary day, this committee prepare and issue a circular to each Post in the Department—briefly setting forth the worthy object indicated—the same to be endorsed and forwarded to each Post by the Department Commander.

9th. That the Department Commander direct that printed copies of this scheme be issued to each Post in the Department, with such official approval or endorsement as he may deem proper.

Geo. W. Bailey, Chairman, Ransom Post No. 131, St. Louis.

F. M. Sterrett, Secretary, Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, St. Louis.

Jno. E. Phelps, Jno. Mathews Post No. 69, Springfield.

Theo. S. Case, Farragut Post No. 3, Kansas City.

Thos. W. Evans, Custer Post No. 7, St. Joseph.

Committee.

II. The Department Commander adopts the above report of the committee as the circular indicated in the eighth paragraph of the same, as fully setting forth the object and plan proposed by the committee.

By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., March 20th, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 12. }

I. The Twelfth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri will assemble at the "Club" Theatre, in the city of Joplin, Mo., at 10 o'clock, A. M., on Wednesday, April 12th, 1893. Commander-in-Chief A. G. Weissert will be present at the Encampment, but on which day is not yet known. Let him receive a hearty welcome from his Missouri comrades.

II. The Department Council of Administration will meet in the parlors of the Keystone Hotel, on Tuesday, April 11th, at 2 o'clock P. M. Department Headquarters will be established at the Keystone Hotel, on Tuesday, April 11th.

III. The comrades at Joplin have made ample arrangements for the entertainment of the visiting comrades, and a most enjoyable time is promised for all who are privileged to attend. On Wednesday evening, the 12th, there will be a Camp-fire at the "Club" Theatre, and on Thursday evening, the 13th, a reception to the Commander-in-Chief and Department Commander at the Club rooms, and a bean supper at Serage's Hall.

IV. The following named comrades are appointed a Committee on Credentials: James C. Broadwell, Post 1; F. M. Redburn, Post 14, T. B. Tuttle, Post 16; E. F. Rogers, Post 4; H. Mitchell, Post 26.

The committee will meet on Fourth Street, opposite the Keystone Hotel, on Tuesday, April 11th, at 2 o'clock P. M. Representatives and members of the Encampment will report to this committee on their arrival and receive their Encampment badges.

The Department register will be kept at the same place, where all visiting comrades are requested to register on their arrival. Reception Committee will have headquarters at same place.

V. On recommendation of the Post Commander of Post 14, the following named comrades of Post 14 are hereby detailed for duty during the sessions of the Encampment: For Officer of the Day, J. G. Lurwick; for Officer of the Guard, M. M. Rice.

The Post Commander of Post 14 will detail from the comrades of that Post a sufficient number of sentinels, with proper reliefs, for duty at the Encampment. The Officer of the Day will report for instructions to the Assistant Adjutant General at 7 o'clock P. M., April 11th.

VI. The following railroads have made a rate of one fare from all their stations in Missouri for the round trip to Joplin and return: Missouri Pacific; Iron Mountain & Southern; St. Louis & San Francisco; Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis. Tickets to be sold April 11th and 12th, good to return until and including April 16th.

The Western Passenger Association has made an open rate of a fare and one-third for the round trip from points in Missouri. Tickets same limits as above. The following are the railroads in Missouri belonging to the Association: Wabash; Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy; Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul; Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific; Chicago & Great Western (formerly Chicago, St. Paul & Kansas City); Hannibal & St. Joseph; Kansas City, St. Joseph & Council Bluffs; St. Louis, Keokuk & Northwestern.

The Chicago & Alton; Missouri, Kansas & Texas; Quincy, Omaha & Kansas City; St. Louis, Cape Girardeau & Ft. Smith, not belonging to the Western Passenger Association, have been communicated with and are expected to make the same rate as the Association.

It is understood that the sale of tickets at one and one-third rate, will only be made from what are known as "coupon" stations. This being the case, it will be necessary for comrades residing at or near non-coupon offices to advise their railroad agent some days in advance so that they may procure the tickets. And in all cases Post Commanders on receipt of this order should notify comrades who are going to the Encampment, and should at once see the station agents in their respective localities and ascertain if they have received the necessary instructions in regard to the reduced rates. It frequently happens that some stations or some branch lines are overlooked, and this can be remedied by having the agent write his company for instructions, if done in time.

VII. The following list of hotel accommodations and rates is published for the information of those attending the Encampment:

Keystone Hotel	will accommodate	150	at \$3.00	per day.
Joplin House	“ “	250	at 2.00	“
Hotel Forney	“ “	150	at 2.00	“
Windsor Hotel	“ “	40	at 2.00	“
King House	“ “	30	at 1.00	“
St. James	“ “	25	at 1.00	“
Mansion House	“ “	25	at 1.00	“
Pacific	“ “	20	at 1.00	“

In addition to above, numerous boarding houses will accommodate visitors at reasonable rates.

Those desiring to engage quarters in advance can do so by addressing comrade H. Phelps, Chairman of Committee on Accommodations, 806 Main Street, Joplin.

VIII. The Department Commander announces by request that the Union Ex-Prisoners of War Association of Missouri will hold its Seventh Annual Meeting at Joplin, Mo., in the Court Room on Main Street, at 9 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, April 12th.

IX. The Association of Old Army Chaplains will hold a Convention at Joplin, Mo., on the evening of April 12th, at the M. E. Church (Rev. J. J. Martin), where addresses will be made by Chaplains and others to the veterans and their friends.

Department Chaplain Hagerty, who is President of the National Association of Ex-Army and Navy Chaplains, desires the attendance of as many as possible of the Army Chaplains in the Department.

X. The Department Commander is informed that owing to bad weather, want of sufficient notice and other causes, many Posts have failed to hold the Sherman memorial meeting at the time proposed by the Sherman monument committee for the purpose of raising funds. In all such cases, it is earnestly recommended and urged that such meeting be held at an early day and that each Post may make such contribution as it can afford to this worthy object. Posts are requested to notify F. M. Sterrett, Secretary of the Committee, No. 815 North Seventeenth Street, St. Louis, Mo., of the amount of their contributions, in order that their Quartermasters may be charged with it until called for. It is desired that these contributions be reported as soon as may be, so that the committee can make a satisfactory report to the Department Encampment.

XI. Attention is called to paragraph 7, in General Orders No. 4 from National headquarters, in regard to contributions from Departments, Posts and comrades for the purpose of procuring flags to decorate the graves of union soldiers, sailors and marines in southern cemeteries. Contributions should be sent to John Taylor, Quartermaster General

G. A. R., City Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., who will receipt for the same. Comrades and Posts will inform these headquarters of the amounts contributed.

XII. The following new Posts have been mustered:

J. H. Weirich Post No. 540, at Spring Bluff, Franklin Co., by John T. Crowe, Past Post Commander, Post 344. A. J. Gilcrease, Post Commander.

Sewall W. Smith Post No. 541, at Edwards, Benton Co., by N. B. Petts, Post Commander, Post 237. W. W. Hackman, Post Commander.

XIII. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the Post Court Martial in the trial of comrade Wm. H. Wiber, of Post 107, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., have been approved by the Department Commander, and the said Wm. H. Wiber is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

XIV. A supply of the new edition of the rules and regulations, revised to date, has been received and may be obtained on requisition from the Assistant Adjutant General. As many changes have been made in the last few years, Posts should provide themselves with this latest edition. The price is five cents per copy.

XV. The Medical Director reports that a very large number of Post Surgeons have failed to send him their reports. Posts delinquent in this respect should send in the reports before April 1st, to Dr. E. F. Lane, Medical Director, Owasco, Mo.

XVI. Such Posts as are in arrears for reports and per capita are reminded that they will not be entitled to representation in the Department Encampment, nor to the national countersign until reports are made and dues paid.

XVII. General Orders Nos. 6 and 7, and Circular No. 2, from National headquarters are transmitted with this order.

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By command of C. W. WHITEHEAD, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

PROCEEDINGS

— OF THE —

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

— OF THE —

DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

— HELD AT —

LEBANON, MISSOURI,

APRIL 11 AND 12, 1894.

Reported by Comrade C. C. Cowen, Stenographer, Post 1, St. Louis.

GENERAL ORDERS, 1893-94.

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The Third Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, adopted the following *Order of Business* and the *Rules of Order* for the National Encampment, so far as the same may be applicable to a Department.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening of the Encampment.
2. Calling Roll of Officers.
3. Report of Committee on Credentials.
4. Calling Roll of Members.
5. Reports of Officers.
6. Appointment of Committee on Reports of Officers, and such other Committees as may be necessary.
7. Reception and Reference of Communications.
8. Reports of Committees.
9. Miscellaneous Business.
10. Election of Officers and Delegates to National Encampment.
11. Installation of Officers.

ROLL OF THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.

Held at Lebanon, Mo., April 11th and 12th, 1894.

The following is the Roll of the members of the Encampment present, as reported by the Committee on Credentials and adopted by the Encampment. Of the Department Officers, those marked with an asterisk (*) were present.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
*CHARLES G. BURTON.

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
JOHN P. PLATT.

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
*H. PHELPS.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR,
DR. E. F. LANE.

CHAPLAIN,
*REV. W. C. CALLAND.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL AND ASSISTANT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,
*THOS. B. RODGERS.

INSPECTOR,
*ALVIN HAYNIE.

JUDGE ADVOCATE,
*GEORGE W. BAILEY.

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER,
J. E. LEWIS.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,
*G. W. CARMICHAEL. *GEO. W. RIGGIN. G. B. SHERRY.
R. L. GALBREATH. B. KNOEPFEL.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS,
WILLIAM WARNER. HIRAM SMITH, JR.
W. F. CHAMBERLAIN. *JOHN E. PHELPS.
*NELSON COLE. *LEO RASSIEUR.
†E. E. KIMBALL. *GEORGE W. MARTIN.
*CHARLES W. WHITEHEAD.

†Deceased.

Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, St. Louis.

Post Commander, J. B. Pachall.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. B. Rodgers, Nelson Cole, Eugene F. Weigel, John B. Gandolfo, James McClure, Wm. H. Scott.

Representatives, Arthur Dreifus, Adam Fischer, A. O. Engelman, W. T. Menaugh, P. C. Sommers, Louis Koop, V. J. Mathews, Fred. Flammger, Ferd. Schueddig, Michael Fritz, S. Kehrman, Chas. T. Ridgeway, Fred. Wulfing, C. D. Bush, B. A. Suppan.

Gen. Lyon Post No. 2, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Chas. Niedringhaus.

Past Post Commanders, Jacob M. Gruen, Henry Evers.

Representatives, John C. Bensiek, Henry Pins, Adam Wenzel, Louis Reidling, Caspar Stolle.

Admiral Farragut Post No. 3, Kansas City.

Past Post Commander, Wilbur F. Henry.

Representative, O. H. Guffin.

McPherson Post No. 4, Kansas City.

Representatives, C. A. Day, Alfred Brant.

A. Lincoln Post No. 5, Moberly.

Past Post Commanders, J. B. Cotty, John W. Scott.

Representatives, R. T. McCaskey, N. Mathias.

Jas. A. Garfield Post No. 6, Jefferson City.

Past Post Commander, W. H. Lusk.

Representatives, L. V. Dix, A. J. Davis, Phil. Schmidt.

Custer Post No. 7, St. Joseph.

Representatives, C. A. Mosman, T. J. Ferrel.

George H. Thomas Post No. 8, Kansas City.

Past Post Commander, C. W. Whitehead.

Representatives, Henry Goss, C. M. Crouse, D. S. Harriman.

Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, St. Louis.

Post Commander, George Neubert.

Past Post Commanders, John A. Goeb, Louis Grund, Ernest Kretschmar, Ignatz Hartman, Louis Young, J. G. Zimmerer, Peter Bobe.

Representatives, Francis P. Becker, Wm. Hahn, Louis C. Hesse, V. Barth, Jacob Kaemmerer, Wm. E. Schubert, Jos. A. Beck, Phil W. Schneider, Geo. Weissenburger, C. F. Knoll, A. Demuth, Louis Hunt, J. C. Mann, H. Angermueller.

O. P. Morton Post No. 14, Joplin.

Post Commander, H. W. Davison.
 Past Post Commander, J. L. Briggs.
 Representatives, W. C. Williams, J. R. Hallibaugh.

Stanton Post No. 16, Carthage.

Past Post Commanders, J. L. Moore, W. Woodward.
 Representatives, Geo. C. Howenstein, L. J. Mathews.

Joe Hooker Post No. 17, Cameron.

Post Commander, R. C. Packard.

F. A. Jones Post No. 23, Macon.

Representative, E. F. McMurphy.

Gen. Jos. Bailey Post No. 26, Nevada.

Past Post Commanders, John T. Birdseye, Chas. G. Burton.
 Representative, M. T. Hill.

Tindall Post No. 29, Chillicothe.

Representative, James Burch.

S. A. Hurlburt Post No. 32, Hamilton.

Representative, Jeff. Van Note.

McCook Post No. 34, Lamar.

Past Post Commander, C. M. Miller.
 Representative, David Fast.

Paddy Shields Post No. 36, Clarence.

Representative, A. Langenback.

McCullough Post No. 44, Milan.

Past Post Commander, Geo. W. Riffin.

Christian Meyer Post No. 45, Oregon.

Representative, Daniel Kunkel.

Gen. Geo. G. Meade Post No. 48, Lebanon.

Post Commander, E. R. Clough.
 Past Post Commanders, R. C. Barrows, C. W. Rubey, J. B. Hickman, C. G. Manchester, A. C. Gavan, W. H. Turner, F. E. Lumbar.
 Representatives, James T. Moore, A. Fayant.

Gen. Geo. R. Smith Post No. 53, Sedalia.

Post Commander, Daniel Grow.
 Past Post Commanders, E. J. Smith, W. A. Fast, Ira T. Bronson, Wm. Campbell, T. P. Berry.

O. H. Wood Post No. 57, Brookfield.

Past Post Commander, Geo. W. Martin.

Gen. E. D. Baker Post No. 68, Green Ridge.

Past Post Commander, Chas. E. Woodleigh.

Capt. John Matthews Post No. 69, Springfield.

Post Commander, John P. Tracy.

Past Post Commander, James R. Milner.

Representative, E. D. Johnson, Geo. H. Sease.

Col. Jacob Smith Post No. 72, Trenton.

Representative, George Hall.

John A. Dix Post No. 76, Kidder

Past Post Commanders, Addison McKee, James Wilson, Andrew Sornberger.

Representative, Chas. D. Englehart.

Col. Grover Post No. 78, Warrensburg.

Representatives, Geo. S. Brinkerhoff, Joseph Rittman.

Harry P. Harding Post No. 107, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Wm. Niehaus.

Representatives, Chas. T. Keris, E. W. Evert, Geo. Schubert, Fred. Linsin, Albert Wippo.

Miles Carroll Post No. 111, Iberia.

Post Commander, John Ferguson.

Representatives, Chas. P. Myers, Jno. W. Waite.

Cameron Garrett Post No. 115, Carl Junction.

Past Post Commanders, John Riffin, W. E. Evans.

Jewel Post No. 118, Mt. Vernon.

Post Commander, Euphrates Boucher.

Lieut. T. D. Neal Post No. 124, Bethany.

Post Commander, Jacob Noll.

Past Post Commander, W. H. Skinner.

Representative, David Goucher.

Salem Post No. 128, Salem.

Past Post Commanders, Louis Fischer, H. C. Sankey.

Representative, F. O. Tennison.

Ransom Post No. 131, St. Louis.

Past Post Commander, A. E. Cook.

Representatives, N. W. Taylor, T. H. Hagerty, W. G. Hills, C. W. Barstow, T. S. Hawley, S. M. Sparklin, G. E. Smith, R. R. Scott, Wm. Godfrey, A. J. Bromwell, H. Fairback, W. F. Conners.

Marionville Post No. 141, Marionville.

Past Post Commanders, C. P. Woodruff, A. J. Ragsdale.

Representative, J. W. Rogers.

Liberty Post No. 150, Spickardsville.

Representatives, G. A. Spickard, J. C. Nichols.

D. N. Keeler Post No. 152, Melrose.

Representative, Wm. Rettker.

Justi Post No. 173, Cape Girardeau.

Representative, August Bierwirth.

W. H. L. Wallace Post No. 177, Moundville.

Representative, M. R. Landon.

Mansfield Post No. 181, Powersville.

Post Commander, D. W. Pollock.

John A. Rawlins Post No. 187, Pierce City.

Past Post Commander, Geo. A. Purdy.

Representative, W. O. Corbett.

Henry Wilson Post No. 189, Rolla.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. D. Smith, J. W. Guild, Henry Wood, J. M. Hoggett.

Representative, H. H. Davis.

W. B. Goodrich Post No. 190, Webb City.

Past Post Commander, R. B. Dodge.

McCroskey Post No. 210, Springfield.

Past Post Commander, Francis Hall.

Representative, David B. Wood.

Isaac Clevenger Post No. 211, Excelsior Springs.

Post Commander, W. N. Perkins.

Representatives, J. L. Tucker, J. T. Odell.

Picket Post No. 215, Farmington.

Past Post Commander, Thos. Lang.

Republic Post No. 219, Republic.

Post Commander, T. F. Cresswell.

Past Post Commanders, J. E. Decker, J. A. Kerr, James Watson,
J. W. Houtz.

Representative, C. R. Pickering.

Thos. J. Brouster Post No. 233, Clayton.

Representative, Henry Seibel.

Ash Grove Post No. 234, Ash Grove.

Representative, J. M. Norris.

Gen. Fred. D. Steele Post No. 235, Montrose.

Representative, H. W. Fenimore.

Andy Smith Post No. 243, Willow Springs.

Representative, W. B. Hatchett.

John Boon Post No. 257, Licking.

Post Commander, Josiah Bradford.

Cuba Post No. 263, Cuba.

Past Post Commander, J. R. Myers.

Representative, Wm. Martin.

Difani Post No. 273, Perryville.

Post Commander, A. H. Cashion.

Representatives, J. J. Pannier, John Deitrich.

Norwood Post No. 274, Norwood.

Representative, S. F. Slemmons.

Henry Brown Post No. 276, Clarksburg.

Past Post Commanders, D. K. Steele, Jacob Hott, David Stanaway,
W. H. Mengel, J. M. Wilson, James S. Roth.

Representatives, G. H. Fountain, C. M. Gordon, A. Dick.

Capt. Blandowsky Post No. 296, New Haven.

Representative, August Altheide.

John S. Phelps Post No. 297, St. James.

Post Commander, John Livingston.

Past Post Commander, Adolph Muller.

Representatives, R. M. Anderson, G. W. Barrett.

Chester A. Arthur Post No. 299, Mansfield.

Post Commander, A. G. Rhoads.

Past Post Commander, N. A. Crippen.

Representatives, F. M. Kittrell, H. C. Slate.

Chas. Demny Post No. 301, St. Louis.

Post Commander, August Meyer.
Representative, Peter Kuehner.

John A. Logan Post No. 304, St. Louis.

Past Post Commander, David Murphy.

Freeport Post No. 307, Roy.

Post Commander, Giles Andrews.

W. F. Lane Post No. 313, Strafford.

Past Post Commander, John McCabe.
Representative, H. W. Parsley.

Capt. Manwaring Post No. 320, Hermann.

Representative, Christian Dauser.

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Representatives, T. J. Carter, Wm. Lambert.

Galena Post No. 323, Galena.

Past Post Commander, T. Hodge Jones.

Gordon Granger Post No. 329, Clinton.

Representative, E. D. Canan.

Jonah W. Reser Post No. 330, Urbana.

Past Post Commanders, J. M. Reser, I. N. Reser, J. M. Depew.

James W. Owens Post No. 332, Washington.

Past Post Commander, J. C. Kiskaddon.

James Ward Post No. 337, Jasper.

Representative, J. Y. Byers.

Houston Post No. 339, Houston.

Past Post Commander, John T. Lynch.

Evans Post No. 340, Economy.

Representative, H. T. Farmer.

Lieut. L. J. Roach Post No. 342, Auglaize.

Post Commander, Wm. T. Monday.
Representative, W. P. Watson, Geo. Stein.

Col. Shaw Post No. 343, St. Louis.

Past Post Commander, Wm. G. Davis.

Levi F. Pennington Post No. 347, Truxton.

Representative, W. S. Goshorn.

Henry C. Beckett Post No. 348, Mineral Point.

Post Commander, Wm. H. Evens.

Dixon Post No. 355, Dixon.

Post Commander, H. C. Houk.

Past Post Commanders, J. S. Rhea, R. D. Rhea, F. S. Huckins.

Representative, J. D. Thompson.

Harwood Post No. 375, Harwood.

Representative, A. J. Jarvis.

Commerce Post No. 382, Commerce.

Representative, Thos. J. Pool.

Albert Harrison Post No. 386, Climax Springs.

Past Post Commander, S. W. Crocker.

Southwest City Post, No. 392, Southwest City.

Representative, Joseph C. Seabourn.

Andrew Chester Post No. 395, Oronogo.

Representative, John J. Watson.

Conway Post No. 407, Conway.

Post Commander, Thos. Anderson.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. Shockley, Joseph Cunningham.

Representative, John M. Terry.

John H. Kendall Post No. 410, Brazito.

Past Post Commander, P. M. Musick.

Representative, Geo. Holtzer.

Capt. Bradway Post No. 421, Crocker.

Past Post Commander, Hiram Haines.

Lieut. Wm. Hawkins Post No. 425, Brumley.

Post Commander, Daniel Robinett.

Past Post Commanders, W. L. Dial, J. M. Hawkins.

Representative, W. F. Karr.

Hunnewell Post No. 426, Hunnewell.

Representative, Benj. Van Dyke.

J. B. Wicker Post No. 434, Richland.

Past Post Commander, J. E. Harrison.

Representative, G. B. Shubert.

E. E. Kimball Post No. 453, Middletown.

Representative, W. H. Graham.

John Whaling Post No. 459, St. Joseph.

Past Post Commander, Henry Debell.

Lieut. Ephraim Gaither Post No. 462, Aurora.

Representative, L. G. Hillhouse.

Louis Duemler Post No. 465, St. Clair.

Post Commander, Joseph R. Moore.

Vandalia Post No. 466, Vandalia.

Post Commander, W. F. Pritchett.

E. D. Brown Post No. 495, Lead Mine.

Past Post Commmander, Geo. W. McPheeters.

Col. Meumann Post No. 496, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Jos. Litteneker.

Past Post Commanders, Chas. Bieger, Chas. Totsch, C. V. Bisser.
Representatives, John Stupp, Chas. A. Rosenberger, Andrew Uhri.

Col. P. Cornyn Post No. 505, Chamois.

Representative, John Thompson.

Isaac Smith Post No. 509, Brunswick.

Past Post Commander, Minor Peery.

Liberal Post No. 515, Liberal.

Representative, Wm. M. Hefton.

F. M. Slagle Post No. 520, Exeter.

Past Post Commander, J. W. Daniel.

Aldrich Post No. 536, Aldrich.

Representative, J. H. Dickerson.

W. H. Harrison Post No. 542, Bland.

Post Commander, Lindon Marts.

Representative, S. R. Atkins.

JNO. P. TRACY, Post 69,
LOUIS FISCHER, Post 128,
LOUIS C. HESSE, Post 13,
C. G. MANCHESTER, Post 48,
F. S. HUCKINS, Post 355,

Committee on Credentials.

PROCEEDINGS

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THIRTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

— OF THE —

DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

— HELD AT —

LEBANON, MISSOURI, APRIL 11TH AND 12TH, 1894.

FIRST DAY, 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Thirteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, in pursuance of General Orders No. 10, convened at the Opera House, Lebanon, Mo., April 11th, 1894, at ten o'clock, A. M., and was called to order by Department Commander Charles G. Burton.

The Encampment was formally opened with prayer by Department Chaplain, Rev. W. C. Calland:

Oh God, we thank Thee for that providence that has permitted us to assemble again at this annual gathering under such favorable auspices. We thank Thee for Thy kind providential hand that has been over us, and has given us life and health, and permitted such a number of us to gather together. We would not forget that many of our comrades who have been wont to gather with us on these annual occasions have been called to the Grand Encampment above. We would not forget in our presence of Thee and their families the gratitude we feel to God to-day, and we pray Thee that their memory also shall be true to our hearts. We pray Thee our Father, that the great cardinal principles of this Grand Army of the Republic may grow dearer to our hearts as the years shall

pass. That deeper feeling of fellowship for each other; with growing love in each others needs; with hearts panting for our comrades good will, and common good; for the spirit of helpfulness to the widows and orphans of deceased comrades in their needs. We pray Thee that the spirit of helpfulness may ever be permanent in our minds, and be accompanied by a true spirit of allegiance to this great country which may ever grow stronger in our hearts. Let these great cardinal principles be realized more and more by us in our annual gatherings; that we may have a little more the spirit of fellowship; a little truer spirit of helpfulness; a truer spirit of fidelity and allegiance to this government. Let Thy blessing be upon our order we pray Thee. We pray Thee, our Father, that the Council of Administration and the Commander, may be guided by wisdom from above in all their plans and deliberations; that they may be so guided and directed as to advise the best necessary for the promotion of the interests and prosperity of this organization. Let Thy benedictions be upon our comrades who are sick, and those who are maimed in the service of our country. We thank Thee for the spirit of cheerfulness with which they have borne their wounds through the years that are past, and for their devotion to the cause of humanity, and the good fight they have fought. We pray for Thy choicest benedictions to rest upon them, wherever they may be. Let Thy blessings rest upon this beautiful little city that has so beneficently opened up its gates and so generously thrown open its doors and demonstrated its cordial welcome to the Grand Army of the Republic. We pray Thee that our hearts may warm towards them, and that when we shall leave this city they may feel that we have left some blessings behind us. Oh Lord, now bless us in the transaction of business before us; give us wisdom in all our actions and deliberations that we may act wisely. Let Thy blessings rest upon our Commander and all the comrades here assembled, and everywhere, and we ask that the spirit of fellowship and loyalty may be manifested towards each other. Lighten our hearts as we take up the business of our Department, and may Thy blessings follow us to our homes, we ask for Jesus' sake—Amen.

The Department Commander: Comrades of Missouri, I observe in the hall of this convention a comrade from a sister Department, comrade Blodgett, Department Commander of the Department of Illinois. (Applause.) We shall tender to him a right royal Missouri greeting, and I will ask Past Department Commanders Cole and Martin to escort Commander Blodgett to the platform.

Commander Cole: We have performed the duty assigned us, and now present Commander Blodgett to the Encampment.

The Department Commander: Comrades, rise and welcome the Department Commander of Illinois.

The delegates arose and gave three cheers to Comrade Blodgett.

Comrade Blodgett: Mr. Commander and comrades of the Department of Missouri: Now, I feel a good deal at home in this Encampment, because I lived in Missouri for ten years after the war, and among my good friends in Missouri are a number of comrades who served in Missouri regiments, and from there clear back to the Atlantic coast. Boys from Vermont, from New York, from Ohio and Pennsylvania, were all mingled together here in this then "woolly" west. Now, the Grand Army of the Republic is the grandest organization on earth; no man, however poor or however rich, need blush because he wears the badge. (Applause.) There are men living in our State, and in our community, that are worth half a million or a million of dollars, that, in my opinion, if they could honestly put on that little bronze button and say "I stood for my country at Shiloh; I was with the boys at Vicksburg; I stood at Gettysburg," they would be willing to divide their fortune to-day. This organization is different from any other organization on earth. Now, I will guarantee that there is not a comrade in a Post in this Department that would not be absolutely safe to be blindfolded in his Post and turned five times around until he could not tell east from west, and, whatever his fortune may be, he will say, I will take this comrade, or this one, or this one, to administer upon his estate, without bond, and he would be as sure that his wife and children would get the last penny as he would be of eternal life. (Applause.) Now, that is not true of any other organization on earth; no man would be safe in the Masonic fraternity to do that; no man would be safe among the Odd Fellows to do that; no man would be safe in any church organization to do that. Now, it is not because there are not good men in all these organizations, but they keep taking in new blood all the time—young men—and that loosens the bond that holds the Grand Army.

Now, I am not going to detain you long, but I want to state that we are going to present to the next National Encampment Comrade Tom Lawler, of Rockford, Ills., for Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. He is one of the grandest Grand Army men on the continent, and if we can

get the support of our sister Department of Missouri we will feel that we have gone a long way towards success. He has been for twenty-six years in succession Commander of Post No. 1, in Department No. 1, of the Grand Army of the Republic. Now, this ought to be a sufficient endorsement for all the comrades who go to the National Encampment. Now, I am not going to detain you but a moment. God bless you and keep you; may you live a thousand years; I say a thousand years from now, and I believe I am not overstating it when I say a thousand years, one thousand years from now, the influence of the Grand Army of this country, the influence of the Grand Army of the Republic, will be felt even more than it is to-day. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: We have received information that the east bound train which is due here at 11:10—it is about that hour now—will bring to us quite an addition to our numbers. We will, however, start in in rather an informal way and do some things that can just as well be done at this time, among which is the distribution, for your convenience and information, of the reports of the various officers, which reports have been published and bound. Will some comrades please step forward and distribute these reports.

Comrade Cole: Department Commander, I desire to make a motion. As the reports of all the Department officers are printed, I would make the motion that we dispense with the reading of all except that of the Department Commander.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

Junior Vice Department Commander Phelps took the chair and the Department Commander read his address, as follows:

ADDRESS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, }
NEVADA, Mo., April 10, 1894.

Comrades :

I bid you greeting to the Thirteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri. We meet in the beautiful City of Lebanon, the Pride of the Ozarks. During the rebellion her streets frequently resounded to the tread of marching columns; the smoke of the camp fires ascended from her neighboring valleys; the call of the bugle and the stirring roll of the drum echoed among her adjacent hills; from the summits of her overlooking mountains some of you helped to unfurl the "banner of the free;" and in the village of her silent, sleep some of our dead, who, in the unforgotten days of long ago, died that a Nation might live.

The shrill scream of the eagle has long since given place to the gentle cooing of the dove; the marching column to the civic parade; and no harsher sound now disturbs her peace and quiet than the hum of her active industries and the shouts and hurrahs of her boys at school.

She has opened wide her gates to our coming and going, and the hands and hearts of her people welcome us with royal grace and good will. We accept that welcome, we enjoy and appreciate that hospitality, and in the temple of our remembrance we shall canonize and crown the City of Lebanon.

Assembled at a place so replete with memories of the past, so pregnant with inspiration of the present and for the future, let us enter upon the discharge of our duties in the name and spirit of that fraternity, that charity and that loyalty, which constitute not only the foundation, but are the pride and glory of our order.

NUMERICAL CONDITION.

On the thirty-first day of December, 1892, the members in good standing in this Department, numbered	20,353
During the year 1893 we gained by muster	977
" " " transfer	275
" " " reinstatement.....	673
" " " delinquent reports	43
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Total	22,321

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

During that year we lost by death	350	
“ “ honorable discharge	84	
“ “ dishonorable discharge	2	
“ “ transfer	376	
“ “ <i>delinquent reports</i>	533	
“ “ <i>suspension</i>	2,365	3,710
Total number in good standing December 31, 1893..		18,611
Total loss during 1893	3,710	
Total gain during 1893.....	1,968	
Net loss during 1893	1,742	

I invite you to an analysis of these figures. Let us endeavor to observe their import; to ascertain their meaning; to so study them, that our conclusions shall be just and accurate, to the end that we may congratulate ourselves where congratulations are due, better that which is good, and remedy that which is, or seems to be, wrong.

First: We gained by muster 977. When we take into consideration the facts, that the source from which we gather our recruits is constantly and continuously growing less; that by reason of time and opportunity, almost every one, who worthily wore the blue, should long ago have learned to know and appreciate the aims and objects of our order, and therefore, if he be not of us, there is little hopes that he ever will be; the exceeding hard times that have so heavily borne not only upon business and industry, but upon the progress and prosperity of all social, benevolent and charitable organizations; to say nothing of those things which are peculiar and incident to the individual; we certainly have reason to be proud of mustering in so many recruits.

It truly evidences a zeal and devotion, an activity and energy, at once inspiring and prophetic of labors and results in the future.

Second: We lost 376 and gained 275 (net loss 101) by transfer.

As the 101 hold transfer cards, it is reasonable to suppose that they took them out with the intention of joining other Posts, and even though they become members of some other Department, still our loss is apparent, not real, because Department lines are but matters of convenience, and the Grand Army of the Republic is National in every sense of the word.

Third: Eighty-four went out by honorable discharge. It is impossible to know what motives prompted these comrades to withdraw from the order. Some of them may have been moved by the disputes and contentions, the disappointments and mistakes, incident to every human organization. Others by inconveniences and inability to attend the meetings of the Post. Let us hope that they may, one and all, return to the order, but whether they do or not, their number is comparatively so inconsiderable that it is needless to spend further time upon that element of depletion.

Fourth: It is with feelings of great pride that I announce to you that out of a membership of twenty thousand, but two were so forgetful of their obligation and of their duties to their comrades and the order, as to merit a dishonorable discharge. I confidently challenge any and every other organization to make a better showing. What an indisputable argument that the Grand Army of the Republic inculcates good citizenship, morality, honor and virtue among men.

Fifth: During the year, three hundred and fifty of our comrades, soldiers and sailors of the Union, pitched their tents upon the eternal camping ground and furled their sails in the harbor of the great beyond.

This loss was inexorable, and it is a sad reflection that each coming year will witness still larger details from our ranks by the grim and untiring adjutant, whose name is Death.

Sixth: From the suspended list, 673 were reinstated, and forty-three were gained from the delinquent reports. Stopping here and considering these and those mentioned in the foregoing analysis, which legitimately and logically constitute our gain and loss, we would show a net gain during the year of 1,156, But unfortunately 533 disappeared through delinquent reports and 2,365 were suspended for non-payment of dues.

Why should we have lost a man by delinquent reports? The comrade who accepts an office in the Post, and more particularly the position of Commander, Adjutant or Quartermaster, assumes a confidence and a trust. He should neither violate the one, nor prove unfaithful to the other. He should discharge the duties of his office faithfully, promptly and punctually. If he is unable, let him decline; if he finds that he cannot, let him resign. Comrades, put none in office unless competent and qualified to serve; officers, do your duty and there will be no delinquent reports.

The suspended list has been an object of much solicitude on the part of the Grand Army of the Republic. It is large and constantly increasing. Although the subject of suggestion and discussion at nearly every National and Department Encampment, no adequate remedy has ever been discovered.

On the thirty-first of December last, there were 6,053 suspended members in this Department and 705 were dropped from the rolls during the year. Pardon a few suggestions. The Grand Army of the Republic is not organized nor maintained for the making of money; yet certain expenses are necessary, and the demands upon it for relief and charity are great, constant and imperative. To meet these, money is absolutely required. Its chief source of revenue is, and must ever be, from the dues of its members. Every comrade who can, *ought* to pay his dues promptly. A comrade financially able ought not to wear its badge and enjoy its rights and privileges, unless he bear his proportion of its burdens. Let me urge upon you the constant need, wherefore be not thoughtless, careless nor negligent. If a comrade can, but will not pay his dues, let him be suspended. If he still neglects or refuses to pay,

notify him and drop him from the rolls. Such are the Rules and Regulations both in letter and spirit. Such is right and justice. "The laborer is worthy of his hire; he who works must eat;" but he who labors not, is not entitled to wages, and he who works not, should go without food. On the other hand, my comrades, remember that many of the boys are poor, very poor, and that it is not only our privilege, but our duty to remit the dues of every comrade who can not pay, or who, by paying may occasion hurt either to himself or those dependent upon him.

Remember also, that there is many a one, who had the courage to face death upon the battle field or the quarter deck, who has not the courage to display his poverty before his Post and ask his comrades to release him from his obligations. Call it pride if you will, but it is the pride that stormed Fort Donaldson, the heights at Fredericksburg, scaled Missionary Ridge and brought victory to the flag at Appomattox. Most of us know or ought to know, the financial ability of our comrades in our respective Posts. Let us act promptly, voluntarily, not waiting to be asked. The hand of fraternity should never be clothed in the glove of humiliation.

Comrades, I have been somewhat lengthy in my analysis, and the thoughts I have uttered may appear bold, if not crude. They are the result of much reflection. Take them to yourselves, to your Post-rooms. If acted upon in the spirit in which they are spoken, I believe that our delinquent and suspended lists will disappear, and that there will be no comrades in the Department of Missouri, save those who are in good standing.

For a detailed statement of the condition of the Department, financial and otherwise, and of the several Posts, I respectfully refer you to the very able and carefully prepared reports of the Assistant Adjutant General and Quartermaster General, Department Inspector and other Department officers. I have nothing to add to the recommendations therein contained.

INQUIRIES, OPINIONS AND DECISIONS.

I have received many letters of inquiry, all of which I have promptly answered. In many instances the information desired could have been readily obtained by reading the Rules and Regulations and the Opinions and Decisions, as published in the Blue Book. The Grand Army Blue Book by Past Commander-in-Chief, R. B. Beath, has been adopted as a standard of reference and authority by the order, and every Post should procure for the use of its officers and members, a copy of the latest edition of this valuable and indispensable work.

I have received the Proceedings of several Courts-Martial, which I have been compelled to disapprove on account of glaring irregularities. Every comrade charged with the commission of an offense cognizable by the Grand Army of the Republic is entitled to a fair and speedy trial, to be conducted decently and in order, and in conformity to the Rules and Regulations and the Code of Procedure.

In but two instances have I had occasion to call upon the Judge Advocate of the Department for his opinion. Each time he responded promptly. His opinions are on file with the Assistant Adjutant General, and as neither of them involved any new principle of law, but rather the application of well established rules to certain ascertained facts, I shall content myself with saying that I readily concurred with the Judge Advocate and rendered my decisions accordingly.

RE-UNIONS AND OFFICIAL VISITS.

Quite a number of re-unions were held during the year. Several of them were attended, respectively, by the Senior and Junior Vice-Department Commanders, as will appear from their reports. It was my pleasure to be present at several. Others I was unable to attend. Some of them conflicted, and from others I was detained by press of business and professional engagements. I have visited quite a number of the Posts, as many as was possible. In every instance, whether at re-union or Post-room, I was heartily welcomed, cordially received and hospitably entertained. Re-unions are of great benefit. In this connection I heartily re-echo the sentiments of my immediate predecessor, Comrade Whitehead, as expressed in his address one year ago: "At these re-unions the old soldiers and sailors meet with us, are brought into contact with their old comrades and feel with them, the glow, fervor and enthusiasm that stirred them in youth to join in the grand work of saving the Union, and leads them to the Post-room and membership."

Make your Post meetings as interesting and attractive as possible. No doubt, the novelty of "a muster-in" has worn off and at times may grow monotonous. Introduce literary, musical and any other entertaining features that may suggest themselves. Occasionally hold an open meeting. Celebrate Washington's and Lincoln's birth-days and other days of historic importance in the life of the Republic. Invite in your wives, sons and daughters, your neighbors and friends, and good citizens generally, that they as well as you may be impressed with the virtue of our cardinal principles.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The Twenty-seventh National Encampment at Indianapolis in September last was largely attended. Its proceedings have been published and you are, no doubt, familiar therewith. The parade on the fifth was a grand object lesson. Owing to a miscalculation of the Grand Marshal there were several "magnificent intervals" in the line of parade. Everybody was in too good humor to complain and the vast crowd patiently awaited and enthusiastically received the next division. The "boys" from Missouri, neatly uniformed, bearing upon their breasts no decoration nor adornment, save the ribbon of the State and the badge of the order, by their general appearance, correct alignment and soldierly marching, carried off the honors and maintained the high standing of the Department.

MILITARY INSTRUCTION IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The National Encampment, upon the recommendation of Lafayette Post 140, Department of New York, adopted certain resolutions in regard to military instruction in the public schools. The Commander-in-Chief by General Order No. 4 and Circular No. 3 has recommended the matter to the careful consideration of Departments, Posts and Comrades.

The difficulty consists in adopting some method that is practical and that will be productive of results. In the country schools and in those of the smaller towns and villages, military instruction cannot be had. The teachers of such schools are not only not qualified to instruct in military training, but the necessary arms and equipments can not be procured. In the larger towns and cities it is otherwise; many of them already have their cadet corps, and there is no good reason why some system of military training should not be adopted in the others. I submit the matter to the Encampment for such action as it may deem best.

PENSIONS.

The report of the Committee on Pensions, unanimously adopted by the National Encampment, so correctly and completely sets forth the sentiments of the order upon the matter of pensions, that it is hardly necessary to refer to the subject.

Suffice it to say, that the Grand Army of the Republic believes, asserts and maintains, that the Pension Roll is and ought to be, a Roll of Honor; that if the name of any one has been placed thereon through false representations, fraud or perjury, it ought to be stricken off. The fact that some, possibly many, have falsely and fraudulently obtained pension certificates, does not justify, nor does it even excuse or palliate the indiscriminate charge, which many thoughtless persons, and some political demagogues, make and reiterate against the "boys in blue" and more particularly, the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic.

We demand that the pension laws shall be construed fairly and justly, to the end that that may be accomplished, which was intended in their enactment, namely, that the Nation in the hour of its power and opulence shall be so mindful of those, who wore its uniform and preserved it in the days of its peril, that it shall not permit one of them, either by reason of misfortune or disease, save and except when brought about by his own vice or crime, to live beneath the roof of the Alms house, or to sleep, unmarked and within the limits of the Potter's field: and that the widow and orphan of him who bore the battle, shall not go uncared for and unprotected.

THE NEXT ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

The Twenty-eighth Annual Encampment will meet early in September at the City of Pittsburgh, in Pennsylvania, that grand old commonwealth, whose soldiers of the Union won imperishable honor upon almost every battle field of the rebellion, and whose hills at Gettysburg, mark where the hosts of the Confederacy were stayed in their Northern advance, and driven back to their intrenchments beyond the waters of the Rappahannock.

It is to be hoped that this Department will be represented in the councils of the Encampment by a full delegation, and that many of its comrades shall be present and participate in the grand parade.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

The Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Missouri is in a reasonably prosperous and flourishing condition. Its objects and purposes are well known to every comrade, and that which it has accomplished merits and receive our earnest consideration. The good women composing it have been untiring in their labors and efforts to aid the needy, comfort the distressed and console the afflicted. As a charitable organization it has no superior. In the name of and on behalf of this Department, I thank it for its noble work and bid it God speed.

LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

In November last I received a letter from Mrs. L. O. Elliott, President of Gen'l Lyon Circle No. 3, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Hannibal, Missouri, setting forth the objects of the organization, and that a Department for Missouri was about to be formed, and asking recognition by this Encampment. I immediately replied that I had no doubt that an accredited delegation would be respectfully received.

SONS OF VETERANS.

The Sons of Veterans of Missouri Division will meet in State Encampment at Sedalia, Missouri, on the twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth of June next. The Division is in a healthy and growing condition. Its officers are active and energetic. The boys expect and are entitled to your presence and counsel at their Camps and Encampments. Encourage them in their efforts to build up and maintain their organization.

THE SHERMAN MONUMENT.

I deem it unnecessary to say anything concerning the desire of the comrades to erect a suitable monument in Missouri, to the memory of General Sherman, nor of his services to his country, and his love for his comrades, which merits such recognition.

Soon after entering upon the discharge of my duties, I accepted the resignation of Comrade Theo. S. Case as a member of the Monument Committee and appointed Comrade William Warner in his place. The committee will report progress and recommend such action, if any, as in its judgment shall seem meet and proper.

THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

At the last Encampment of this Department, we were informed by a committee from the Woman's Relief Corps, that that organization was trying to build a soldiers' home in Missouri, and the committee presented to the Encampment certain resolutions, which had been previously adopted in convention by the Woman's Relief Corps, among which was the following:

Resolved, Fourth—That the Department Commander of Missouri be requested to appoint a committee of ten comrades to advise with the Home Board in the furtherance of their work, from the members of the present Encampment.

The resolutions were referred to the Council of Administration with power to act.

No further action in the premises having been taken by the Encampment, on the twentieth day of May, 1893, I appointed the following named comrades as such committee: Geo. W. Martin, C. W. Whitehead, Ira T. Bronson, Arnold Beck, Christ. Neidringhaus, Francis P. Becker, W. G. Hills, J. R. Milner, J. W. Beach and Geo. Hall, and as such they were empowered to advise with the Home Board of the Woman's Relief Corps in the furtherance of the work. That committee will report the result of its action.

MUSTERED OUT.

Memorial Day was generally observed throughout the Department. Six and twenty years ago, the Grand Army of the Republic, in keeping with its aim, object and purpose, and in response to a sentiment humane and patriotic, set apart the thirtieth day of May and dedicated it to the soldiers and sailors of the Union, who sleep the sleep of the silent. That dedication has met with recognition and approval at the hands and hearts of a people, grateful for a Nation preserved. The memorial address; the singing of the National anthem; the flag at half mast; the decoration of the graves of our dead with the rose and the lily, the myrtle and the ivy, tokens of our affection, symbols of our hope; the Divine invocation, and the funeral salute, all teach man's duty to man, his country and his God.

During the past year, more than fifteen thousand of the "boys who wore the blue" (three hundred and fifty of them comrades of this Department), were detailed for service beyond the mystic river, whose waters, though silent, yet constantly flow. Tears to their memories.

Their places can not be filled. Wherefore, let us take warning of the inevitable, and as each comrade is "mustered out," close up our ranks with renewed devotion to the principles of our order.

The frost that never melts is whitening the locks of our youngest, and in a few years at the most, the last one of us shall have answered the bugle call. The grim Adjutant shall write "Closed" over the portals of our Post-rooms, and the swords shall rust upon the altars. But the truths for which we fought are as immutable as the everlasting hills. The Republic shall stand, and beneath its Stars and Stripes, countless thousands yet unborn, shall sing the anthem of the free.

CONCLUSION.

One year ago you placed upon my breast the badge of the Department Commander. In assuming its honors, I accepted the trust and pledged myself to the faithful discharge of the duties and responsibilities of the office. To the best of my humble ability I have endeavored to observe the trust and fulfil the pledge. How well I have succeeded is for you to say.

To the Staff I acknowledge my obligations and tender my thanks. They have faithfully and ably performed their duties. They have been kind and courteous. Without their aid and assistance I should have accomplished nothing.

I also thank you, and through you, the comrades of the Department for honors conferred, for generous, constant and loyal support.

With the deliberations of this Encampment my term of office will end; but my term of gratitude shall not then end. Nor can it end so long as the fires of life shall light up the chamber of my memory. Upon its walls some portraits and pictures hang, traced upon the canvass of confidence bestowed, painted in the colors of love and affection, and framed in fraternal comradeship. There they shall ever hang, undimmed by age, unsoiled by time.

CHARLES G. BURTON,
Department Commander.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER, }
KINGSTON, Mo., March 6th, 1894.

CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander.

Comrade : The report of the duties of the Senior Vice Department Commander not being very burdensome, must necessarily be brief.

But I am happy to make known to you and also the comrades of the Department that I am still able, although nearly knocked out, to take my rations, and sing that grand old song "marching through Georgia," and that I can stand on my crutches and advocate the cardinal principles of our noble order, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, with the same devotion to duty, the same courage and comradeship that marked my life in time of the war. In spite of its detractors the Grand Army of the Republic is at the height of its splendid usefulness as the most remarkable patriotic organization ever known. Its loyalty, its increasing efforts to inculcate the lessons of patriotism and of duty to government, and its pervasive deeds of charity entitle the G. A. R. to the unbounded gratitude of the American people. This is forcibly demonstrated to us at our National and Department Encampments, by the people who loyally and graciously entertain us at these great gatherings. I attended the National Encampment at Indianapolis and took part in the great parade; being disabled so that I could not ride a horse, I secured a horse and buggy and brought up the rear of our Department, which was grandly represented, the old boys of yore holding their place in the grand parade, among the first in discipline and appearance, if not in numbers. During the year I have visited several Posts in the Department, and also attended several re-unions. One at Mirabile, Mo., of the Caldwell County Batallion, held under the auspices of Ulysses Post No. 250; and also the Third District Re-union, held under the auspices of the Harrison County Brigade at Mt. Moriah, Mo. Thousands attended these encampments and attested their loyalty to the old flag, that was convincing to every one present that every Post is a teacher of law and order and patriotism. I will say to my comrades, stand firm, always be found at your post of duty. Many of you are getting old and infirm and your days are but few and our ranks at this time breaking fast. Be true to yourselves, true to each other, and ever true to the old flag until the final sounding of the bugle, when we will cross the river and join the old comrades that have gone before. Thanking the comrades for the honor conferred upon me during the last encampment, and also you Commander and our Assistant Adjutant General, and all my comrades for the many courtesies shown me during the year, I am,

Respectfully yours, in F., C. and L.,

JOHN P. PLATT,
Senior Vice Department Commander.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
OFFICE OF JUNIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER, }
JOPLIN, Mo., March 15, 1894.

CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander.

Comrade: According to custom of our order, I beg leave to make the following report: I have been prevented by various reasons from visiting the different Posts, which I so much desired to visit, but I have taken some pains to help the lukewarm Posts of southwest Missouri, by giving them as much of my time as my business would admit. I spent one week at the Inter-State Re-union at Baxter Springs, Kansas, and as an officer of the Association, did what I could to make it pleasant and profitable for our boys from Missouri. While this re-union is held in Kansas, it is not a Kansas institution entirely. Southwest Missouri has done, and is doing much to place it in the front ranks of re-unions.

Hoping that I have done what was required of me during the past year, and thanking you for courtesies, and the comrades of the Department for favors, and congratulating you upon your able management of the office you hold,

I am yours in F., C. and L.,

H. PHELPS,
Junior Vice Department Commander.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL
AND ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER
GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
St. Louis, Mo., April 9, 1894. }

CHAS. G. BURTON, Department Commander:

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit my report of the business of this office, and the condition of the Department for the year 1893.

The number of Posts, December 31, 1892, was 457; of which number, one Post, 448, was remaining suspended.

The charters of four Posts, 256, 399, 401 and 503, were annulled by the Department Commander, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, at the meeting of the last Department Encampment. Four Posts, 246, 403, 438 and 474 have surrendered their charters during the year. Making a loss of eight Posts. Most of the comrades of the disbanded Posts have taken transfers and joined other Posts, so that the loss is one of Posts and not of comrades.

The number of new Posts mustered during the year 1893, was four, being a loss of four Posts. Making the total number of Posts, December 31, 1893, 453, of which six are remaining suspended, viz.: Posts 52, 99, 114, 167, 448 and 486.

Two new Posts have been mustered since January 1, 1894. Making five new Posts mustered since the last Department Encampment. A more particular account of which will be found in the report of the Chief Mustering Officer.

The following is an abstract of the consolidated reports as made to National Headquarters for the year 1893:

FIRST TERM, SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 1893.			
Number in good standing, December 31, 1892.....			20,353
Gain by muster	534		
“ transfer.....	154		
“ reinstatement	352	1,040	
			21,393
Loss by death	169		
“ honorable discharge	33		
“ transfer	209		
“ suspension	1,150		
“ dishonorable discharge	2		
“ delinquent reports.....	439	2,002	
Number in good standing, June 30, 1893.....			19,391

SECOND TERM, SIX MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1893.

Gain by muster.....	443	
“ transfer	121	
“ reinstatement	321	
“ delinquent reports.....	43	928
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		20,319
Loss by death	181	
“ honorable discharge	51	
“ transfer	167	
“ suspension	1,215	
“ delinquent reports	94	1,708
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Number in good standing, December 31, 1893.....		18,611

RECAPITULATION.

Number in good standing, December 31, 1892.....		20,358
Gain during year by muster.....	977	
“ “ transfer	275	
“ “ reinstatement	673	
“ “ delinquent reports	43	1,968
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		22,321
Loss during year by death	350	
“ “ honorable discharge	84	
“ “ transfer	376	
“ “ suspension	2,365	
“ “ dishonorable discharge.....	2	
“ “ delinquent reports.....	533	2,710
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Number in good standing, December 31, 1893.....		18,611
Number remaining suspended, December 31, 1893....		6,053
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Total number on rolls, December 31, 1893.....		24,664
Number dropped during the year.....		705
Number of comrades relieved during the year.....		444
Number of others not comrades relieved during year		218
Amount expended for relief during the year	\$4,449	83
Total amount of Post funds and property.....		68,110 29
Of which the amount in the relief fund of the		
Posts was		10,077 70
Loss in amount of Post funds, etc.....		74 32
Loss in amount of relief funds		112 77

Considering the financial stringency which prevailed last year all over the country, with its consequent “hard times,” it was to be expected that our membership would show a considerable falling off. This has been the experience of all other Departments, with the single exception of Indiana, where the National Encampment was held and furnished a stimulus that aroused and maintained the zeal of the comrades.

As will be seen from the foregoing statement, our total gains were 1,968, and total losses 3,710, leaving a net loss of 1,742. As the losses include 533 from delinquent reports, it would show an actual loss of 1,209. The number of recruits mustered was 977, which shows well for the zeal and activity of the comrades under such adverse circumstances. Some of the Posts have done well, and two of them deserve especial mention: Col. Grover Post No. 78, of Warrensburg, having mustered 38, and Elwood Miller Post No. 444, of St. Louis, having mustered 46; the latter Post having more than doubled its membership.

The number of new Posts mustered is of course decreasing each year. We have reached a point where we can expect but little gain in this way, the State having been well covered, and there being but few localities left where there are enough old soldiers to form a Post.

As heretofore, our greatest loss is from suspensions, many Posts having more comrades on the suspended list than the number in good standing. Comrades have been carried for years as suspended, many of whom have removed and been lost sight of. In this connection I can only repeat what was said in my report of last year, and urge upon the Posts the importance and necessity of dropping all suspended comrades when there is no reasonable prospect of reinstating them. The longer suspended comrades are carried, the more difficult becomes their reinstatement. Under the Rules and Regulations, it is easier to reinstate a "dropped" comrade than one who is suspended and is several years in arrears. In the latter case he must pay up his arrearages unless remitted by the Post, which should always be done when he is unable to pay. In the former he can be reinstated by his own, or *any other Post*, on payment of an amount *not exceeding* one year's dues, or it may be made less. It is therefore better for all concerned that they be dropped.

The increasing age and infirmities of the comrades which is yearly increasing our death roll, also operates to increase our suspensions. In many sparsely settled localities where comrades live at considerable distance from the Post, they are often unable to attend its meetings, and consequently lose the interest they would otherwise have, and allow themselves to be suspended. To counteract this to some extent, especial efforts should be made to make the Post meetings interesting and attractive. To this end, the relation of personal experiences of comrades during the war, either orally or in writing, would prove highly interesting, and any papers contributed, after being read might be filed with the Post papers and be of value hereafter. There is no comrade, however humble, who saw service in the field during the war of the rebellion, who cannot relate something in this way that would be interesting to his comrades, more interesting from the fact that it is part of a history that is seldom found in books.

Capt. Wagoner Post No. 31, of Independence, which was mustered during the year, is the successor of a Post of the same name and num-

ber, which surrendered its charter in 1891. A new charter was issued, and the Post was given its old name and number, on account of its having title to some real estate—a lot in the cemetery.

Our Department, as shown by the report of the Adjutant General, June 30, 1893, ranked eighth in point of membership, and is entitled to nineteen representatives to the National Encampment, in addition to the one at large.

I have the honor to report that with your sanction and approval the office of the headquarters of the Department was last week removed from the Granite Building, Fourth and Market Streets, St. Louis, Mo., to the Laclede Building, southwest corner Fourth and Olive Streets, Room 24, on the third floor. This removal was very reluctantly made, as our headquarters had been so long in the Granite Building, but was rendered necessary by the fact that the building is about to undergo a very considerable reconstruction. The new office is commodious and centrally located, in a fire-proof building, and will fully meet the wants of the Department, at a lower rent.

The usual exhibits, "A," "B," "C," "D," "E" and "F" are attached to and form part of this report.

In conclusion, Commander, I desire to thank you for the honor conferred upon me. Our year of official intercourse has served to cement more firmly the ties of personal friendship formed years before. To the other Department Officers and the comrades generally I return my thanks for their courtesy and kindness.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

EXHIBIT "A."

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 1893.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, December 31, 1892.....		\$2,197 45
Received from per capita tax	\$3,871 18	
" " charter fees	75 00	
" " requisitions	869 16	
" " interest on loans.....	560 00	
" " payment on loans.....	500 00	5,875 29
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		\$8,072 74

EXPENDITURES.

Supplies:

Membership badges	\$ 315 00	
Buttoniers	90 00	
Rank straps.....	36 72	
Books, blanks, etc.....	66 44	
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		\$ 508 16

Expenses:

Rent of office, thirteen months.....		549 00
Printing and stationery.....		278 80
Printing Department Encampment Pro- ceedings		378 55
Salary of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.....		2,000 00
Salary of Department Inspector.....		200 00
Postage.....		349 78
Per capita tax		445 92
Relief.....		82 70
Inspection		24 25
Engrossing charters and commissions.....		9 80
Badges for Department Encampment		48 00
National Encampment expenses		157 75
Stenographer at Department Encampment		71 65
Insurance.....		15 50
Remington typewriter.....		125 00
Flags and guidons for prizes to Posts.....		75 00
Money refunded.....		1 70
Office desk.....		23 50
Book binding		6 00
Water cooler and rugs.....		4 00
Office boy		156 00
Incidentals		88 75

Traveling Expenses:

Department Commander Whitehead	\$ 102 75	
Assistant Adjutant General Rodgers.....	30 60	133 35
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Balance on hand December 31, 1893.....		\$5,683 76
		2,389 58
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		\$8,072 74

EXHIBIT "B."

STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES PURCHASED, ISSUED AND ON HAND FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1893.

	On Hand Dec. 31, 1892.	Purchased.	Total.	Issued.	On Hand Dec. 31, 1893.	Value of Supplies on Hand.
Membership badges.....	132	900	1,032	932	100	\$ 50 00
Buttoniers.....	113	1,500	1,613	1,405	208	20 80
Rank straps.....	254	216	470	220	250	87 50
Official ribbons.....		252	252	252		
Rules and regulations.....	63	450	513	401	112	5 60
Applications.....	383	2,000	2,383	1,843	540	3 24
Order and record books.....	12		12	11	1	75
Cash books.....	12		12	9	3	2 25
Descriptive books.....	4	10	14	10	4	3 00
Quartermasters' receipt books..	28	100	128	36	92	46 00
Quartermasters' warrant books	20		20	12	8	6 00
Roll books.....	40		40	5	35	26 25
Black books.....		5	5	5		
Charters.....	18		18	10	8	2 00
Discharges.....	135	100	235	137	98	4 90
Transfers.....	91	400	491	426	65	3 25
Leaves of absence.....	138	72	210	202	8	32
Odes.....	73	70	143	110	33	66
Service books.....	14	70	84	84		
Rituals.....		36	36	36		
Electrotypes.....	4	1	5	2	3	1 50
Certificates of membership.....	333		333	1	332	83 00
Blue books.....	8		8	8		
Department badges.....	341		341	38	303	166 65
Department badges, silver tops..	50		50	1	49	49 00
						\$562 67

EXHIBIT "C."

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY ON HAND.

Desks	2	Pair stirrups.....	1
Chairs.....	8	Packing trunk	1
Tables.....	2	Flag	1
Book case	1	Sword belts.....	11
Case for blanks	1	Letter scale	1
Case for supplies.....	1	Letter files.....	24
Chest of drawers	1	Gavels	5
Cases for pigeon-holes.....	3	Charter, framed	1
Typewriter	1	Map of Missouri	1
Letter press	1	Adjutant General's report of	
Official seal.....	1	Illinois, volumes	8
Cuspidor	1	Roster Wisconsin Volunteers,	
Waste basket	1	volumes	2
Carpets.....	2	Journals, National Encampment	3
Rugs	3	Journals, Department of Mis-	
Set of books	3	souri	2
Water cooler	1	History, G. A. R.....	1
Scissors	1	Gazetteer of Missouri	1
Slide boxes	512	Portrait, General Grant	1
Letter books	2	Portrait, Past Department Com-	
Dating stamp.....	1	mander Kimball	1
Die for Department badge.....	1	Portrait, Past Department Com-	
Ink stands	3	mander Phelps.....	1
Department banner and case....	1	Other pictures, framed.....	4

EXHIBIT "D."

DEPARTMENT ASSETS.

Cash balance, December 31, 1893	\$ 2,389 58
Amount invested with accrued interest	6,823 33
Office furniture, etc	800 00
Supplies on hand	562 67
Ledger balances	59 86
	\$10,635 44

EXHIBIT "E."

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF SUCH POSTS AS HAVE OVERPAID OR WERE
IN ARREARS, DECEMBER 31, 1893.

No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
4	\$ 65 20	\$ 64 95	\$ 0 25	\$	120	\$ 5 80	\$ 5 65	\$ 0 15	\$
5	25 20	25 10	10	.....	130	7 68	6 30	1 38	.....
7	32 80	33 30	.....	50	134	19 40	19 45	.....	05
14	38 85	38 75	10	.....	141	9 25	8 40	85	.....
16	14 20	14 33	.....	13	142	3 90	4 65	.....	75
17	18 20	18 10	10	.....	145	9 20	9 30	.....	10
20	10 00	10 10	.....	10	146	12 73	9 63	3 10	.....
21	36 95	36 80	15	.....	150	10 30	9 70	60	.....
25	7 24	7 49	.....	25	154	4 43	3 75	68	.....
29	23 40	23 50	.....	10	158	10 55	10 35	20	.....
32	9 10	8 90	20	.....	162	8 00	7 60	40	.....
34	13 25	13 20	05	.....	164	12 10	12 22	.....	12
36	18 45	18 50	.....	05	166	5 45	5 35	10	.....
38	10 30	10 10	20	.....	168	13 00	12 90	10	.....
39	7 15	6 95	20	.....	175	13 20	13 60	.....	40
42	7 30	7 37	.....	07	178	11 70	9 30	2 40	.....
48	23 70	23 60	10	.....	180	8 70	8 85	.....	15
49	8 60	8 94	.....	34	181	6 90	6 80	10	.....
51	5 90	6 83	.....	93	186	7 22	5 50	1 72	.....
54	18 50	18 40	10	.....	187	12 75	12 65	10	.....
56	9 80	9 40	40	.....	188	5 30	6 40	.....	1 10
57	17 30	17 35	.....	05	190	8 60	7 00	1 60	.....
58	20 40	20 55	.....	15	194	9 20	9 44	.....	24
59	5 06	5 35	.....	29	197	10 10	10 70	.....	60
72	25 00	25 05	.....	05	201	10 60	10 50	10	.....
73	5 30	5 50	.....	20	203	7 27	6 50	77	.....
75	10 25	8 40	1 85	.....	207	6 02	3 20	2 82	.....
76	16 68	16 88	.....	20	209	11 50	3 40	8 10	.....
79	3 80	3 90	.....	10	210	12 58	10 18	2 40	.....
81	3 30	3 20	10	.....	211	6 35	6 30	05	.....
84	7 60	6 50	1 10	.....	212	3 80	3 75	05	.....
85	3 70	3 80	.....	10	216	7 10	7 15	.....	05
90	2 70	3 10	.....	40	218	4 95	4 10	85	.....
96	16 10	11 20	4 90	.....	225	6 30	4 20	2 10	.....
97	20 72	21 62	.....	90	229	6 10	4 90	1 20	.....
101	5 70	5 90	.....	20	231	4 10	4 52	.....	42
102	7 00	6 90	10	.....	232	18 42	18 52	.....	10
104	13 20	9 90	3 30	.....	233	18 15	18 10	05	.....
106	8 60	4 30	4 30	.....	237	5 80	3 40	2 40	.....
115	7 09	6 63	46	.....	239	11 35	10 95	40	.....

NOTE.—This statement does not include the *per capita* tax for the second term of 1893, except where it was paid before January 1, 1894. Posts not having reported for the first term of 1893, or prior, are not included.

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
241	\$ 5 70	\$ 4 90	\$ 0 80	\$.....	362	\$ 3 60	\$ 3 70	\$.....	\$ 10
243	17 20	17 50	.....	30	365	7 40	7 70	.....	30
249	4 40	4 90	.....	50	367	4 40	4 60	.....	20
251	15 57	15 53	04	.....	374	7 40	7 45	.....	05
254	5 50	5 60	.....	10	375	14 25	14 30	.....	05
257	20 60	20 70	.....	10	377	9 90	9 70	20	.....
258	4 65	4 05	60	.....	382	6 53	6 43	10	.....
260	10 35	10 15	20	.....	383	3 40	3 30	10	.....
262	3 40	3 00	40	.....	385	5 30	4 45	85	.....
263	18 15	18 05	10	.....	386	9 30	9 59	.....	29
264	17 60	17 84	.....	24	391	13 50	13 40	10	.....
269	8 00	8 95	.....	95	392	8 00	8 60	.....	60
271	2 90	2 80	10	.....	393	8 65	8 15	50	.....
272	2 17	2 00	17	.....	397	2 40	2 30	10	.....
273	23 15	22 80	35	.....	398	3 30	3 70	.....	40
279	4 30	4 20	10	.....	406	5 90	5 60	30	.....
279	4 60	4 80	.....	20	407	7 30	7 00	30	.....
286	9 30	8 50	80	.....	408	8 70	8 80	.....	10
293	8 30	8 20	10	.....	410	3 40	3 45	.....	05
294	14 45	13 60	85	.....	412	5 50	5 40	10	.....
296	3 90	4 10	.....	20	414	3 70	4 00	.....	30
298	3 30	3 50	.....	20	417	7 30	7 35	.....	05
301	14 20	14 00	.....	20	423	5 10	4 95	15	.....
302	2 75	3 45	.....	70	424	7 45	7 32	13	.....
303	4 20	4 47	.....	27	426	8 00	8 20	.....	20
305	5 70	5 60	10	.....	427	5 30	5 70	.....	40
311	5 45	4 85	60	.....	429	15 80	16 00	.....	20
312	12 80	11 00	1 80	.....	430	5 10	5 00	10	.....
314	8 90	10 15	.....	1 25	431	8 00	7 90	10	.....
318	5 20	5 30	.....	10	432	5 95	6 45	.....	50
319	6 75	6 45	30	.....	433	7 90	7 87	03	.....
322	13 30	13 20	10	.....	436	8 10	8 52	.....	42
323	7 90	7 70	20	.....	440	3 20	3 20	.....	.....
324	3 00	3 70	.....	70	441	6 70	6 90	.....	20
330	14 15	14 48	.....	33	446	3 00	1 25	1 75	.....
331	15 80	16 00	.....	20	450	4 05	3 10	95	.....
332	18 80	18 50	30	.....	452	2 40	2 45	.....	05
334	4 25	5 52	.....	1 27	454	5 70	5 60	10	.....
335	8 10	7 80	30	.....	457	11 70	11 85	.....	15
337	4 40	4 30	10	.....	458	4 00	4 30	.....	30
338	13 15	9 10	4 05	.....	459	8 30	8 40	.....	10
339	11 87	11 77	10	.....	462	12 90	12 70	20	.....
342	8 73	5 20	3 53	.....	463	8 60	8 50	10	.....
345	21 65	21 45	20	.....	465	7 60	7 50	10	.....
347	8 50	8 40	10	.....	468	2 10	2 42	.....	32
351	2 60	65	1 95	.....	469	17 60	17 50	10	.....
354	1 90	1 80	10	.....	472	3 50	1 70	1 80	.....
356	5 29	5 20	09	.....	474	5 70	5 75	.....	05
358	7 75	8 17	.....	42	475	6 20	6 10	10	.....
359	5 90	6 10	.....	20	478	8 35	8 25	10	.....
360	7 00	6 60	40	.....	479	3 70	3 75	.....	05
361	5 00	5 10	.....	10	481	10 00	9 90	10	.....

No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
485	\$ 5 30	\$ 5 10	\$ 0 20	\$	519	\$ 6 90	\$ 6 80	\$ 0 10	\$
488	4 50	4 90	.....	40	521	1 40	2 00	.....	60
489	6 40	7 30	.....	90	526	17 15	18 25	.....	1 10
490	5 00	4 90	10	.....	527	5 90	5 80	10	.....
492	90	2 40	.....	1 50	531	8 95	8 90	05	.....
495	11 60	11 80	.....	20	533	4 90	5 80	.....	10
504	4 00	3 80	20	.....	534	10 60	11 35	.....	75
505	13 35	12 45	90	.....	536	14 60	14 30	30	.....
506	11 25	12 00	.....	75	537	9 50	9 30	20	.....
514	10 70	10 30	40	.....	538	6 80	4 80	2 00	.....
515	6 15	4 90	1 20	.....	540	15 30	15 22	08	.....
516	7 70	7 50	20	.....				

EXHIBIT "F."

STATEMENT SHOWING MEMBERSHIP IN GOOD STANDING OF EACH
POST, WITH GAINS AND LOSSES.

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1892	1893		
Frank P. Blair.....	1	St. Louis.....	745	722		23
General Lyon.....	2	St. Louis.....	306	239		67
Admiral Farragut.....	3	Kansas City.....	172	172		
McPherson.....	4	Kansas City.....	244	238		6
A. Lincoln.....	5	Moberly.....	110	103		7
James A. Garfield.....	6	Jefferson City.....	128	125		3
Custer.....	7	St. Joseph.....	193	176		17
Geo. H. Thomas.....	8	Kansas City.....	244	240		4
General Canby.....	10	Rich Hill.....	76	78	2	
James A. Mulligan.....	11	Lexington.....	39	35		4
Ellsworth.....	12	Grant City.....	78	82	4	
Col. Hassendeubel.....	13	St. Louis.....	714	643		71
O. P. Morton.....	14	Joplin.....	96	132	36	
Stanton.....	16	Carthage.....	137	120		17
Joe Hooker.....	17	Cameron.....	118	106		12
Phil. Kearney.....	19	Laclede.....	54	46		8
Maj. James Wilson.....	20	Louisiana.....	63	28		35
Sedgwick.....	21	Maryville.....	175	140		35
Corporal Dix.....	22	Kirksville.....	101	138	37	
F. A. Jones.....	23	Macon City.....	76	53		23
David A. Roberts.....	25	Glenwood.....	29	31	2	
Gen. Jos. Bailey.....	26	Nevada.....	72	68		4
Tindall.....	29	Chillicothe.....	103	76		27
Nodaway.....	30	Burlington Junction.....	14	16	2	
Capt. Wagoner.....	31	Independence.....	29	33	4	
S. A. Hurlburt.....	32	Hamilton.....	56	51		5
Ben. Loan.....	33	Kingston.....	52	40		12
McCook.....	34	Lamar.....	57	59	2	
Paddy Shields.....	36	Clarence.....	47	47		
Col. Forbes.....	38	La Plata.....	53	52		1
Roderick Rockwood.....	39	Xenia.....	31	32	1	
Peabody.....	41	Savannah.....	38	42	4	
Albert Chandler.....	42	Macon.....	37	35		2
Wm. T. Sherman.....	43	Hannibal.....	152	143		9
McCullough.....	44	Milan.....	47	45		2
Christian Meyer.....	45	Oregon.....	82	50		32
Perry V. Fletcher.....	46	De Soto.....	22	20		2
Capt. J. L. Clark.....	47	Green City.....	35	30		5
Gen. Geo. G. Meade.....	48	Lebanon.....	99	111	12	
Capt. D. M. Birch.....	49	Edgerton.....	17	16		1

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1892	1893		
Harrisonville	50	Harrisonville	32	30		2
Col. F. Schaefer.....	51	Concordia	26	28	2	
Gen. Geo. R. Smith.....	53	Sedalia	185	173		12
Thos. G. Wade	54	Unionville	92	93	1	
Reynolds	56	Graham	33	30		3
O. H. Wood	57	Brookfield	78	64		14
Bates County	58	Butler.....	97	92		5
Gen. H. Blunt	59	Pollock	23	28	5	
Gen. Wadsworth.....	60	Dawn	57	38		19
Valentine Peters.....	61	Maitland	32	31		1
Winfield Scott.....	63	Holden	71	57		14
Golden City	64	Golden City.....	24	21		3
Mound City	65	Mound City.....	37	40	3	
Kilpatrick	66	Winston	38	26		12
Tarkio	67	Tarkio	18	17		1
Gen. E. D. Baker	68	Green Ridge	36	36		
Capt. John Mathews.....	69	Springfield.....	81	67		14
B. B. King	70	Canton	35	34		1
Col. Jacob Smith	72	Trenton	125	128	3	
Johnson Downen	73	Sticklerville.....	26	27	1	
Greenfield	75	Greenfield	36	37	1	
John A. Dix	76	Kidder	45	48	3	
Col. Grover	78	Warrensburg.....	109	132	23	
Capt. Stanley.....	79	Princeton	23			
Rousseau	80	Ravanna	36	31		5
L. W. Cooper	81	Lathrop	34	33		1
Yeager-Sharp	82	Wellsville	50	45		5
Curtis	84	Sarcoxie	22	20		2
Lookout	85	Shelbina	20	17		3
King City	86	King City	56	57	1	
C. G. Harker	88	Meadville	27	26		1
Capt. J. H. Paynter.....	90	Jericho	14	16	2	
T. H. Richardson.....	92	Lancaster	24	21		3
Capt. C. C. Harvey	96	Maysville	56	57	1	
Gen. G. B. Boomer	97	Linn	60	57		3
Franklin Shanks.....	100	Lutesville.....	52	34		18
William E. Wood.....	101	Lindersville.....	19	19		
Shelbyville	102	Shelbyville.....	24	23		1
Chilhowee.....	103	Chilhowee	16	15		1
Nichols	104	Gallatin	41	31		10
Arthur Crockett	106	Marshall	43	39		4
Harry P. Harding	107	St. Louis	218	187		31
Jeff. C. Davis	108	Versailles	43	37		6
B. K. Davis	109	Hopkins	41	40		1
Wm. McKee	110	Kahoka	139	108		31
Miles Carroll	111	Iberia	109	113	4	
Cameron Garrett	115	Carl Junction	21	29	8	
Hardy Smith	117	Quitman	23	23		
Jewell	118	Mt. Vernon	45	45		
Marion	119	Stanberry	84	82		2

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1892	1893		
Maple Grove.....	120	Maple Grove	23	22		1
Webster.....	121	Cora.....	14			
Virgil Rogers.....	122	Martinstown	23	23		
Lieut. T. D. Neal.....	124	Bethany	117	122	5	
Jas. Marquess.....	127	Edina.....	15			
Salem.....	128	Salem.....	80	79		1
Capt. J. H. Little.....	129	Denver.....	20	17		3
Fred. Miller.....	130	Tina.....	47	15		32
Ransom.....	131	St. Louis.....	543	520		23
Gardner.....	132	Utica.....	15	15		
Gentry.....	134	Albany.....	64	48		16
Sergeant B. H. Porch.....	135	Olean.....	23	16		7
Gen. J. G. Foster.....	137	Neosho.....	23	23		
Marionville.....	141	Marionville	40	44	4	
Stephen Decatur.....	142	Medoc.....	23	23		
Samuel McClure.....	145	Eldon.....	63	63		
Avalon.....	146	Avalon.....	34	31		3
Akron.....	147	Akron.....	10			
J. J. Gravely.....	149	Bolivar.....	59	70	11	
Liberty.....	150	Spickardsville	56	45		11
D. N. Keeler.....	152	Melrose.....	60	61	1	
Thos. Weber.....	154	Arbela.....	17	16		1
Loyalty.....	155	Creighton.....	39	38		1
Geo. Miller.....	158	Bethel.....	40	43	3	
Alex. D. Hickman.....	159	Shibley's Point.....	18			
Col. Henry E. Gilbert.....	160	Wheeling.....	32	33	1	
Gen. Frank J. Herron.....	161	Buffalo.....	52	21		31
Marshall.....	162	Elmo.....	22	25	3	
Col. Islam Keith.....	164	Breckenridge.....	46	31		15
Menke.....	166	La Grange.....	23	17		6
Jesse H. Moore.....	168	Elk Grove.....	34	30		4
Fillmore.....	170	Fillmore.....	36	35		1
J. N. Whitehead.....	171	Victoria.....	28	23		5
Gen. J. B. Steadman.....	172	Appleton City.....	37	41	4	
Justi.....	173	Cape Girardeau.....	93	90		3
Maj. Hiram Gavitt.....	174	Fredericktown.....	20	21	1	
Seneca.....	175	Seneca.....	39	46	7	
Indian Springs.....	176	Indian Springs.....	27	13		14
W. H. L. Wallace.....	177	Moundville.....	24	18		6
Stephen Estle.....	178	De Witt.....	51	36		15
Capt. W. G. Murray.....	179	Memphis.....	87	79		8
Stambaugh.....	180	Austin.....	26	28	2	
Mansfield.....	181	Powersville.....	30	37	7	
Gen. Chester Harding.....	182	St. Joseph.....	92	88		4
Erich Pape.....	184	Bollinger Mills.....	45	35		10
Major Hunt.....	185	New London.....	44	36		8
Windsor.....	186	Windsor.....	24	27	3	
John A. Rawlins.....	187	Pierce City.....	32	31		1
John D. Mullins.....	188	Linneus.....	20	26	6	
Gen. Henry Wilson.....	189	Rolla.....	64	46		18

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing		GAIN.	Loss.
			1892-1893	Dec. 31.		
Webb City	190	Webb City	23	25	2	
Austin Hubbard	194	Stockton	46	46		
Col. Morsey	197	Warrenton	50	54	4	
Rogersville	200	Rogersville	26	26		
Bradshaw	201	Mt. Moriah	23	31	8	
W. S. Thomas	202	Muscle Fork	17	16		1
Aaron Brokaw	203	Luray	41			
George N. McGee	206	Richmond	45			
Col. Brooks	207	Hannibal	16			
Edward Wray	209	Linn Creek	17			
McCroskey	210	North Springfield	40	24		16
Isaac Clevenger	211	Excelsior Springs	31			
Geo. Taylor	212	Richmond	21	20		1
Jas. A. K. Dillon	213	Lindley	21	13		8
Sergeant Ryan	214	Brashear	55	55		
Picket	215	Farmington	90	94	4	
Cainsville	216	Cainsville	35	39	4	
Bennett Ford	217	Williamstown	11	10		1
John Williams	218	Fairport	21	21		
Republic	219	Republic	39	39		
Jamesport	220	Jamesport	35	37	2	
Norcross	221	Novelty	36	39	3	
S. L. Turley	222	Bancroft	56	43		13
Reuben Dale	223	Eagleville	76	75		1
Guy Ward	224	Hale	27	20		7
Marshfield	225	Marshfield	21	21		
Col. Almstaedt	227	Fenton	23	21		2
Union	229	Ladonia	36	25		11
And. Hightower	231	Kansas City	21	20		1
Lieut. S. A. M. George	232	Humansville	50	55	5	
Thos. J. Brouster	233	Clayton	63	58		5
Ash Grove	234	Ash Grove	34	40	6	
Gen. Fred. D. Steele	235	Montrose	31	29		2
U. S. Grant	236	Lincoln	22	12		10
Farnsworth	237	Warsaw	34	23		11
W. S. Hancock	239	Mexico	43	44	1	
John A. Hayn	240	Boonville	177	149		28
Galt	241	Galt	28	25		3
Pattonsburg	242	Pattonsburg	25			
Andy Smith	243	Willow Springs	40	29		11
Fred. Steele	244	Cole Camp	29	25		4
Jack Grant	245	Knox City	40	24		16
John W. Rollins	247	West Plains	50	33		17
Guthrie	248	North Salem	25			
Fordland	249	Fordland	22	22		
Ulysses	250	Mirabile	21	16		5
Col. Leonard	251	Eldorado Springs	34	46	12	
Mt. McGregor	252	Sprague	11	10		1
Mt. Pleasant	253	Belton	26			
J. N. Hilton	254	Forsyth	26	29	3	

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1892	1893		
Jno. Boon	257	Licking	51	58	7	.....
Mitchell	258	Gatewood	23	23	.....	.....
Blanchard	260	S. Blanchard	28	20	.....	8
Sergeant-Major McIntosh.....	261	Hermitage	103	95	.....	8
Johnson	262	Centralia	26	17	.....	9
Cuba	263	Cuba	44	48	4	.....
Morgan L. Smith.....	264	Deepwater	80	60	.....	20
Billings	266	Billings	42	23	.....	19
Pinhart	268	Brunswick	75	71	.....	4
Sergeant Plummer.....	269	Sparta	50	10	.....	40
Baker	271	Pineville	13	13	.....	.....
Vidette	272	Malden	10	24	14	.....
Difani	273	Perryville	110	103	.....	7
Norwood	274	Norwood	24	21	.....	3
Albert Thompson	275	Gainesville	17	.....	.....	.....
Henry Brown	276	Clarksburg	160	156	.....	4
Seymour	277	Seymour	21	31	10	.....
Jno. Kelsey	278	Cosby	21	22	1	.....
Edinburgh	279	Edinburgh	19	26	7	.....
A. S. Norton	280	Modena	33	31	.....	2
David Slake	281	Omaha	14	14	.....	.....
Wakefield Standley	282	Carrollton	56	46	.....	10
Wakefield	283	Fair Play	51	41	.....	10
Geo. G. Bryan	284	Belgrade	52	50	.....	2
Jim Carnes	285	Rock Port	29	29	.....	.....
Chas. Sumner	286	Boonville	43	32	.....	11
Warren	287	Rockville	30	21	.....	9
Thos. S. Staples	288	Fairmont	18	17	.....	1
Major Bartlett	289	Troy	48	41	.....	7
Fred. Hecker	290	Pacific	45	33	.....	12
Robt. McElroy	291	Clarksville	24	.....	.....	.....
Thos. A. Read	292	Ebenezer	34	40	6	.....
Geo. Gamble	293	Hemker	39	34	.....	5
Col. Geiger	294	Highlandville	63	41	.....	22
Capt. Blandowsky	296	New Haven	20	19	.....	1
Jno. S. Phelps	297	St. James	49	53	4	.....
Stewartsville.....	298	Stewartsville	15	10	.....	5
C. A. Arthur	299	Mansfield	83	78	.....	5
Chas. Demny	301	St. Louis	48	43	.....	5
Negley	302	Ottomer	8	9	1	.....
Bob Ford	303	Coffeysburg	22	20	.....	2
Jno. A. Logan	304	St. Louis	51	50	.....	1
Ben. Grigsby	305	Roads	27	26	.....	1
Freeport	307	Roy	39	17	.....	22
Franklin	308	Stoutsville	13	14	1	.....
Major A. B. Carroll.....	310	Jackson	32	22	.....	10
Geo. W. Tyler	311	Ford	24	23	.....	1
Dan McCook	312	Leesville	40	43	3	.....
Wm. F. Lane	313	Strafford	24	24	.....	.....
John D. Rohye	314	Cedar Hill	30	28	.....	2

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1892	1893		
Gen. Hunter.....	317	Lamonte.....	19	14	.....	5
Jesse M. Harbin.....	318	Puxico.....	26	27	1	.....
Capt. Mack.....	319	Green Ridge.....	17	.....	.....	.....
Capt. Manwaring.....	320	Hermann.....	74	64	.....	10
Capt. J. M. Baird.....	322	Verona.....	34	35	1	.....
Galena.....	323	Galena.....	31	32	1	.....
Geo. V. Pitts.....	324	Sullivan.....	15	15	.....	.....
Lockwood.....	325	Lockwood.....	17	.....	.....	.....
J. Felix St. James.....	326	Ste. Genevieve.....	76	69	.....	7
Adrian.....	327	Adrian.....	22	22	.....	.....
Simp. Mason.....	328	Bakersfield.....	25	.....	.....	.....
Gordon Granger.....	329	Clinton.....	82	70	.....	12
Jonah W. Reser.....	330	Urbana.....	48	53	5	.....
John P. McCluney.....	331	Higginsville.....	43	45	2	.....
Jas. W. Owens.....	332	Washington.....	90	85	.....	5
J. H. Hart.....	333	Piedmont.....	16	20	4	.....
Gen. Washburn.....	334	O'Day.....	22	19	.....	3
H. G. Blake.....	335	Panacea.....	27	27	.....	.....
James Ward.....	337	Jasper.....	40	43	3	.....
Lieut. Jno. Baxter.....	338	Purdy.....	48	.....	.....	.....
Houston.....	339	Houston.....	67	67	.....	.....
Evans.....	340	Economy.....	37	38	1	.....
Sergt. L. J. Roach.....	342	Montreal.....	30	26	.....	4
Col. Shaw.....	343	St. Louis.....	116	103	.....	13
Franz Wilhelmi.....	344	Union.....	32	.....	.....	.....
Jesse Owens.....	345	Bear Creek.....	48	51	3	.....
Iron.....	346	Ironton.....	41	38	.....	3
Levi F. Pennington.....	347	Truxton.....	24	30	6	.....
Henry C. Beckett.....	348	Mineral Point.....	76	54	.....	22
Capt. James Johnson.....	350	Arnsberg.....	27	25	.....	2
Joseph Martin.....	351	Norborne.....	26	26	.....	.....
Pardee.....	352	Cabool.....	26	18	.....	8
Sergt. P. P. Mabrey.....	354	Center Ridge.....	13	13	.....	.....
Dixon.....	355	Dixon.....	32	36	4	.....
Zincite.....	356	Zincite.....	13	11	.....	2
R. L. Ferguson.....	358	Sweet Springs.....	36	36	.....	.....
Splitlog.....	359	Splitlog.....	25	26	1	.....
Daniel Miles.....	360	Iantha.....	15	18	3	.....
Fulton.....	361	Fulton.....	28	.....	.....	.....
Sac River.....	362	Seybert.....	18	17	.....	1
Capt. McFarland.....	364	New Florence.....	12	10	.....	2
Appleton.....	365	Appleton.....	37	36	.....	1
Upton.....	366	Sheridan.....	31	30	.....	1
Roscoe.....	367	Roscoe.....	21	23	2	.....
John V. Wilson.....	368	Mack's Creek.....	20	.....	.....	.....
Sam'l Lewis.....	370	Cunningham.....	22	21	.....	1
Rocky Comfort.....	371	Rocky Comfort.....	36	42	6	.....
Col. Putnam.....	373	Allendale.....	35	34	.....	1
R. P. Carnes.....	374	Dunlap.....	23	26	3	.....
Harwood.....	375	Harwood.....	52	46	.....	6

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1892	1893		
Capt. J. W. Robertson	377	Ozark	27	31	4	
Iuka	378	Johnson City	22	20		2
Capt. Tom Walker	379	Leora	46	54	8	
Commerce	382	Commerce	28	28		
Jas. A. Dollans	383	Mountain View	33	33		
Dawn	384	Osceola	61	54		7
Long Lane	385	Long Lane	17			
Albert Harrison	386	Climax Springs	48	38		10
Marceline	387	Marceline	58	61	3	
Geo. E. Wells	389	Lucerne	16			
Jacob Yount	390	Younts	44	51	7	
Pike	391	Bowling Green	59	59		
South West City	392	South West City	44	18		26
Capt. J. A. Bowers	393	Milford	33	37	4	
Lieut. Wm. Brawner	394	Patton	28	17		11
Andrew Chester	395	Oronogo	31	32	1	
Brookline	397	Brookline	14	12		2
Phil. Sheridan	398	Walnut Grove	33	36	3	
Capt. Louis F. Bierwirth	402	Cape Girardeau	15	14		1
George Long	403	Cave Spring	22			
Cavalry	404	Clarksdale	21			
Durbin A. Ward	405	Pickering	32	32		
Corporal Doke	406	Garrison	18	22	4	
Conway	407	Conway	38	42	4	
Col. Kregel	408	St. Peters	41	38		3
Jno. Shelton	409	Palace	19	19		
Jno. H. Kendall	410	Brazito	24	14		10
Capt. Kelsoe	411	Astoria	45	45		
Jno. R. Downing	412	Newark	20	17		3
Richland	413	Dora	24			
David Hewitt	414	Louisburg	40	36		4
Tiff City	416	Tiff City	16	14		2
Smithton	417	Smithton	25	24		1
Sergeant Clay Shaw	418	Sedalia	33	33		
Walden Emory	419	Decaturville	13			
Fred. Roether	420	Montgomery City	39	34		5
Capt. Bradway	421	Crocker	28	21		7
J. B. Dorr	422	Newtown	21			
Florence	423	Florence	25			
Col. A. J. Webber	424	Wakenda	36	34		2
Lieut. Wm. Hawkins	425	Brumley	62	48		14
Hunnewell	426	Hunnewell	24	24		
Jno C. Culver	427	Sue City	21	19		2
Thos. Gordon	428	Polo	28	33	5	
Jno. V. Hoover	429	Elkland	57	50		7
Holt	430	Craig	23	23		
Jos. L. Wray	431	Egypt Mills	18	17		1
Columbia	432	Columbia	29	16		13
David D. Porter	433	Mountain Grove	28	22		6
J. B. Wicker	434	Richland	49	37		12

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31		GAIN.	Loss.
			1892	1893		
Thos. Shelton.....	435	Gehm.....	21	21		
Jos. A. Mower.....	436	Hartville.....	31	50	19	
Simon Cameron.....	437	Cross Timbers.....	35	28		7
C. M. Anderson.....	439	Advance.....	18	20	2	
Gen. Hazen.....	440	Foster.....	16	16		
Alton.....	441	Alton.....	33	35	2	
Hume.....	442	Hume.....	21	22	1	
Elwood Miller.....	444	St. Louis.....	28	60	32	
Gideon T. Potter.....	445	Steelville.....	27			
Obediah Gray.....	446	Moody.....	14	14		
Capt. Bauer.....	447	Berger.....	18	21	3	
Fair Grove.....	449	Fair Grove.....	29	24		5
David Reeves.....	450	Smithville.....	10	13	3	
Tipton.....	452	Tipton.....	13	12		1
E. E. Kimball.....	453	Middletown.....	56	52		4
Calhoun.....	454	Calhoun.....	34	18		16
McClain.....	455	Centretown.....	29	23		6
DeKalb.....	456	DeKalb.....	42	39		3
Warren T. Stewart.....	457	Benton.....	43	34		9
Col. J. P. Brownlow.....	458	Plew.....	17	13		4
John Whaling.....	459	St. Joseph.....	30	27		3
Capt. J. S. Robb.....	461	Jenkins.....	31	30		1
Ephraim Gaither.....	462	Aurora.....	26	35	9	
Robt. Taylor.....	463	Odessa.....	50	36		14
Capt. Mace.....	464	Logan's Creek.....	27	23		4
Louis Duemler.....	465	St. Clair.....	35	39	4	
Vandalia.....	466	Vandalia.....	28	29	1	
Maj. Leonard.....	468	Higbee.....	24	20		4
Lieut. Brooks.....	469	Ashland.....	43	33		10
Gen. Geo. Crook.....	470	Slater.....	21			
Ethel.....	471	Ethel.....	16	17	1	
Callaway.....	472	Fulton.....	22	18		4
L. A. Weathermon.....	473	Clyde.....	22	23	1	
Gov. Andrew.....	475	Birch Tree.....	30	23		7
Col. Parkinson.....	476	Springfield.....	13	13		
Sumner.....	477	New Cambria.....	36			
New Union.....	478	New Union Church.....	37	35		2
T. R. Lane.....	479	Montreal.....	18	20	2	
Green Hampton.....	480	Protem.....	38	40	2	
Goulding.....	481	Buckhart.....	50	31	1	
Jno. C. Fremont.....	482	Norris.....	27	25		2
W. D. Porter.....	484	Hendrickson.....	16	16		
Geo. B. McClellan.....	485	Washington.....	24	27	3	
Dillard Bell.....	487	Elmer.....	20	23	3	
L. Stevenson.....	488	Pocahontas.....	26	21		5
Maj. Ennis.....	489	Greentop.....	34	32		2
W. W. Leggett.....	490	Duncan's Bridge.....	26	24		2
Eagle.....	492	Monett.....	9	7		2
Freeland.....	493	Hardin.....	21	15		6
Jas. H. Fort.....	494	Greencastle.....	16	15		1

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1892	1893		
E. D. Brown	495	Lead Mine	36	40	4	
Col. Meumann	496	St. Louis	167	165		2
Maj. Montgomery	498	Ardeola	15	11		4
Jno. S. Miller	499	Guilford	12	10		2
Kinney Lucas	500	Ardmore	38			
Savon Parker	501	Chillicothe	15	14		1
Daniel Dawson	502	Salisbury	12			
Monroe Lee	504	Golden	21	16		5
Col. P. Cornyn	505	Chamois	32	38	6	
Jno. Tietjens	506	Indian Grove	25	31	6	
Maj. Worthington	507	Shell Knob	12	15	3	
Jno. Brown	508	Salisbury	12			
Isaac Smith	509	Brunswick	23	23		
Whitesville	510	Whitesville	29	26		3
Gen. Buford	511	Louisiana	21	15		6
Harrison A. Gleim	512	Tipton	57	59	2	
Wm. Burris	513	Glasgow	15	11		4
Jesse Turnage	514	Rayville	28	26		2
Liberal	515	Liberal	25	18		7
J. H. Crenshaw	516	Cartersville	46	31		15
Parnell City	517	Parnell	28	18		10
Jno. Martin	519	Tuscumbia	34	38	4	
F. M. Slagle	520	Exeter	18	17		1
Papinsville	521	Papinsville	14	14		
Duncan	522	Bowling Green	13	13		
Thos. L. Bounds	523	Gorin	15			
Drexel	524	Drexel	28	30	2	
Geo. W. Murphy	525	Cowgill	25	30	5	
Geo. W. Walker	526	Darlington	19	15		4
Boone	527	Columbia	27	31	4	
Max Latimer	528	Downing	18			
Ben. Lewis	529	Glasgow	21	19		2
Adjutant Pratt	530	Mexico	17			
Belmont	531	Bolckow	43	25		18
Flag Springs	532	Flag Springs	19	17		2
Capt. Jno. Turney	533	Plattsburg	25	17		8
Sergeant Welch	534	Ponce de Leon	35	35		
Sam'l Warner	535	Laredo	27	29	2	
Aldrich	536	Aldrich	29	31	2	
Tecumseh	537	Blackwater	23	18		5
Isabella	538	Isabella	17	33	16	
Tilman Smith	539	Moberly	13	17	4	
J. H. Weirich	540	Spring Bluff	19	23	4	
Sewell W. Smith	541	Edwards	14	18	4	
W. H. Harrison	542	Bland		27	27	
S. S. Bell	543	Festus		18	18	
Gen. Jere M. Rusk	544	St. Charles		21	21	
Ridgeway	545	Ridgeway		14	14	
T. L. Hampton	546	Newport				

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE, }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., March 30, 1894. }

CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander of Missouri.

Comrade: For the information of the Department Encampment I have to report, as Judge Advocate of the Department, that as illustrative of the general harmony, and freedom from serious friction, in the Department during the present administration of its affairs, my duties have been comparatively light. Many matters, however, have been passed upon by yourself as Department Commander, whose knowledge and experience, as past Judge Advocate of the Department rendered any reference of the same to another a useless formality. There were, therefore, but two separate matters involving, perhaps, more careful investigation and research than you could be expected, in view of your other official and professional duties, to bestow upon them, in the first instance, which were by you referred to me, as Judge Advocate, for my opinion as to all of the questions and principles therein, respectively, involved.

I.

The first was a matter coming up from Post No. . . . involving a question of eligibility to membership in the G. A. R.

The only evidence presented to the Post committee in support of the statements contained in the application of the applicant to the effect that the applicant was in the service of the United States, and was honorably discharged therefrom, as required by the Rules and Regulations, was a mere *recitation* of the alleged fact of being in the United States service, appearing upon the face of an alleged rebel parole purporting to have been issued by some "Officer commanding Confederate forces."

It not appearing from what source the alleged rebel officer obtained his information, thus recited, it seems fair to presume that he obtained it from his captive—the applicant. Hence to accept the recitation contained in the rebel parole as evidence of the *fact* of such service, would be equivalent to accepting the mere *ipse dixit*,—the verbal statement,—of the applicant himself, as to his having been in the United States service. Moreover, there was no evidence whatever that the applicant had ever been honorably discharged from the service of the United States, or that his regiment of Missouri Militia had ever been subject to the orders of a United States officer. I therefore rendered my

opinion that from all the evidence presented to me with the application *it did not appear* that the applicant was eligible to membership in the G. A. R.

The Department Commander approved the opinion and rendered his decision in accordance therewith, and the Post acted accordingly.

II.

The second matter submitted to me was more difficult and complicated. It was the voluminous record of the proceedings of a court-martial instituted in Post No. 243.

In this matter there were many questions, and principles, directly involved, as well as several which are incidental and collateral to the main issues. It is only necessary, here, to notice the former.

It was my original purpose in this matter to merely set forth the main questions and principles applicable thereto, and the opinion and decision rendered, but in view of the severe criticisms which the subject-matter, my opinion, and the approving decision of the Department Commander have elicited, coupled with the declared purpose, in behalf of the accused, to "carry the matter beyond the *final* decision of the tribunal of *last* resort,"—wherever that may be,—I deem it advisable to present the Department Encampment,—through you,—with a more extended report than would otherwise be deemed necessary.

The threshold question presented by the record was as to the sufficiency of the alleged charges and specifications. While the papers were inartistically drawn, and very irregular,—several charges being blended into one, and but one specification to all of them,—still as the accused, by appearing for trial thereunder, and pleading "not guilty" thereto, and making no objection whatever to the same, clearly *waived* the objection as to *irregularities*,—but not as to *substance*,—it was my expressed opinion that if enough could be reasonably gathered from the irregular mass called "charges and specifications" to respond, substantially, to the requirements of the Rules and Regulations, then the "pleadings" were good. That in view of the waiver of the accused it was too late for him to raise the objection as to mere irregularity for the first time upon an appeal, or before the final reviewing officer, and that if, by liberal construction and reasonable intendment a substantial case could be fairly made out from the papers, it should be so held, and that no technicality which had been *waived*, or which is harmless, should be permitted to interfere with substantial justice.

I think this is the well recognized rule of construction, in similar cases, which has obtained, and ought to obtain, in the G. A. R.

Adopting this rule, I found in this record, among others, the following charge: "Conduct unbecoming a soldier and a gentleman in his relation with members of this Post." Supplying, by reasonable intendment, the additional words, *as such*, the rule would necessarily establish a charge of "relationship" to the G. A. R., required by the Rules and

Regulations. The specification is, "in this, that the said comrade (A. B.) did defraud comrade (C. D.) out of \$255.00 under false pretences and misrepresentations."

The evidence adduced to sustain the other charges, without specifications, may be disregarded. The case stands or falls upon the above charge and specification, and the evidence. The triers of fact,—the members of the court-martial,—found the accused guilty of *all* the charges, and as specified, and imposed a sentence of dishonorable dismissal from the G. A. R. The Post, upon a rehearing, affirmed the finding and sentence of the court-martial. Appeal was made to the Department Commander, as the final reviewing officer, and by him referred to me for my opinion as to all the questions involved.

Both the prosecution and the accused were ably represented, both at the trial and rehearing before the Post, below, and also by elaborate briefs and arguments above. Upon a careful examination of the record, and the authorities cited, I found no substantial error of which the accused was in a position to justly complain, hence recommended to the Department Commander that the finding and sentence be approved—setting forth my reasons, and what I conceived to be the law of the case, in a lengthy written opinion. Thereupon the finding and sentence were by the Department Commander approved and his decision rendered accordingly.

It was my expressed opinion that there was ample competent testimony to sustain the finding of *facts*, and the triers of *fact*, having not only the matter of the testimony, but the *manner* of its rendition, also, before them, were the best judges of its *weight*, and that in the absence of evidence of partiality, prejudice, or malice, or unfairness, their verdict should not be disturbed.

Both below, and upon appeal, counsel for the accused laid great stress upon what was considered a *controlling* point, and which it may be well here to notice.

The evidence discloses and the fact was found, that the accused was appointed by the Post to act as a member of a Post committee in behalf of another comrade of the Post who was in misfortune and imprisoned. The triers of fact also found that while acting as such committeeman he improperly obtained, by false pretences and misrepresentations, from the wife of the unfortunate comrade, the sum of \$255.00. The false pretence was that he was to assist, with such fund, the comrade in distress. At the trial the accused testified in his own behalf as far as he deemed his interests required, and then *declined to be cross-examined*, pleading a "professional privilege" as a lawyer, and then claiming that he acted in the matter entirely in his professional capacity, and was, therefore, "not subject to be *further* catechised."

He also urged, with unusual vigor, both below and above, that as he acted entirely in his professional capacity in this matter, his offense, if any, was beyond the jurisdiction of the G. A. R.

If it were not sufficient to respond to this claim that upon competent evidence the *fact* had been found that he *acted* as a committeeman, then a complete answer may be found in the testimony of the accused, himself, that he accepted service as member of the committee while he *also* acted as an attorney as to the same subject-matter.

In my judgment it was immaterial whether he exercised his authority derived from the Post independently, or as "an attachment in aid" of his professional employment. I took the broad ground that having received and accepted the power and confidence implied by accepting service on a G. A. R. committee, the accused ought to be held accountable to the G. A. R. for any fraudulent conduct as to the same subject-matter, perpetrated by him in *any* capacity. That he owed a duty to the G. A. R. to protect that subject-matter from fraudulent treatment from *any* source—much more so from *himself*, acting, forsooth, in some other capacity.

By any other construction, if called to account by a court of justice for unprofessional conduct he could successfully plead that he acted in his capacity as a committeeman of the G. A. R., or, if court-martialed by the G. A. R. he could successfully plead that he acted in his professional capacity, as an attorney, and thus, by acting in *both* capacities, escape punishment for misconduct in either.

I believe that the fidelity, dignity, integrity and honor of the G. A. R. demand that no such *makeshift* should be permitted to prevail, and that any other construction would tend to inextricable confusion, encourage wrong doing in the name of the G. A. R., and subvert the ends of plain justice.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. W. BAILEY,

Judge Advocate.

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 OFFICE OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.
 BRUNSWICK, Mo., March 26, 1894.

CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:

Comrade: I have the honor, as Chief Mustering Officer of the Department of Missouri, G. A. R., to submit the following report:

POSTS MUSTERED AS FOLLOWS:

Post No.	Name of Post.	Location.	Date of Charter.	By Whom Must'd.
31	Capt. Wagoner	Independence	May 5, '93	C. M. Crandall.
543	Stewart S. Bell	Festus	July 22, "	D. B. Veazey.
544	Gen'l Jere M. Rusk	St. Charles	Nov. 21, "	Thos. B. Rodgers.
545	Ridgeway	Ridgeway	Dec. 19, "	W. H. Skinner.
546	T. L. Hampton	Newport	Mar. 1, '94	C. M. Miller.

I regret that it has not been my privilege, owing to great distance away, to personally muster them, but herewith return my thanks to Special Mustering Officers for the services rendered by them.

Fraternally,

J. E. LEWIS,
 Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR, }
 CLINTON, MO., March 29, 1894. }

CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:

Comrade: I have the honor to submit herewith my report of the inspection of the Posts of this Department for the year ending December 31.

A careful consideration of the consolidated report will show that the older and stronger Posts are in excellent condition. That a spirit of confidence as well as fraternity, charity and loyalty pervade such Posts—particularly in the cities.

Such report, will, on the other hand, show that the new and weaker Posts are struggling for existence, and need the fostering care and sympathy of the Department. Yet, even they, in their weakness, make a remarkable showing of devotion to the principles of our order, as may be seen from the liberal sum devoted to charity by them, much of which, must of necessity have been contributed by comrades, as the membership and dues could not have provided for such a sum expended. It appears that while only sixty-six Posts maintain relief funds, yet 165 of those not having such fund have contributed to charity the large sum of \$3,886.72.

While from the reports of the Assistant Inspectors it will be seen that comparatively a large number of the Posts express a gloomy feeling. I discover that such a condition is, in many instances, the result of a lack of financial management of the business of the Post; in others, it appears to be the result of the personal feelings of the Assistant Inspector, rather than the condition of the Post.

On December 31, there were in the Department, 435 Posts in good standing. I have received reports from 348. From those reports I obtain the following facts in relation to the Posts inspected:

They had, December 31, a total membership	16,510
Total number of muskets owned by them	908
Number of Posts having relief funds	66
Total amount in the relief funds	\$10,474 98
Total amount expended for charity	5,648 60
Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermasters..	14,941 10
Total value of all other property owned by the Posts.....	85,261 27
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported excellent	1
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported splendid.....	1
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported the very best...	1
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported flattering	6
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported very good	7
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported good	181
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported fair	84

Number of Posts whose prospects are reported encouraging....	11
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported medium	12
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported not very good..	8
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported not good	17
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported poor	6
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported very poor.....	2
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported gloomy.....	3
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported bad	7
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported death	1

I am inclined to the opinion that the Past Post Commander acting as Installing Officer should make the inspection, and that it should at all times be made before the Installation, thereby insuring an inspection. If there be any virtue in such inspection, and it is conceded by all members of the order that there is, then inspection should be regularly and completely made. It is important, also, that such report of inspection should be promptly forwarded to headquarters, as a delay in this respect causes much annoyance and extra work to the Department Inspector. There has been some few Posts who have been behind in this particular this year. Generally, however, I am pleased to say that the Assistant Inspectors have been prompt and very efficient in the performance of their duties, for which they are commended to the Department. I regret to say, however, that eighty-seven of the Posts have failed to forward their report of inspection to these headquarters for the year just closing. Fifty-five of those same Posts did not report inspection for the year ending December 31, 1892; eighteen of them did report inspection for the year ending December 31, 1891; six of them did not report inspection for the year ending December 31, 1890, and three of them did not report inspection for the year ending December 31, 1889. I especially commend such Posts to your consideration.

I beg to say that I very much appreciated the honor of the appointment to this position and have endeavored to fully perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability, and regret that I am not able to show a fuller inspection of the Department, yet think the present plan brings as full results as any that have been tried. It appears by comparison of the reports for the last several years that a greater proportion of the Posts have reported inspection under this, than former plans.

My especial thanks are due to Col. Thos. B. Rodgers, Assistant Adjutant General, for his assistance, kindness and courtesy, extended to me through the year, and I shall ever hold him in high esteem for the same, as without which the business of the office would have been greatly hindered and delayed. I have the honor to be, sir,

Very respectfully yours in F., C. and L.,

ALVIN HAYNIE.

Department Inspector.

No. of Post.	NAME OF POST INSPECTED.	Number of members in good standing?	Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory and properly performed?	Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped?	Are the members uniformed and equipped?	How many muskets are owned by the Post?	Are the officers regular in their attendance?	Are the members regular in their attendance?	Do they exhibit an interest in the Post.	Are all the records complete and well kept?
1	Frank P. Blair	722	yes	yes	yes	13	yes	yes	yes	yes
2	Gen. Lyon	238	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	fair	fair	yes
3	Admiral Farragut	172	fine	yes	partly	15	fair	yes	yes	yes
4	McPherson	238	yes	no	no	4	yes	m'dium	yes	yes
5	A. Lincoln	104	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	fair	yes	yes
6	James A. Garfield	128	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
7	Custer	148	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
8	George H. Thomas	241	yes	yes	no	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
10	Gen. Canby	79	partly	yes	half	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
11	James A. Mulligan	85	yes	no	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes
12	Ellsworth	82	fair	yes	yes	14	no	fair	no	yes
13	Col. Hassendeubel	643	yes	yes	yes	47	yes	yes	yes	yes
14	O. P. Morton	182	partly	no	no	4	partly	partly	yes	yes
16	Stanton	120	yes	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
17	Jos. Hooker	127	yes	yes	yes	7	yes	yes	yes	yes
19	Phil. Kearney	46	yes	no	no	4	yes	yes ½	yes	yes
20	Maj. Jas. Wilson	28	no	no	no	8	yes	fair	yes	yes
21	Sedgwick	141	yes	yes	no	13	yes	yes	yes	yes
22	Corporal Dix	138	yes	yes	partly	20	yes	yes	yes	yes
23	F. A. Jones	60	yes	partly	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
25	David A. Roberts	30	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
26	Gen. Jos. Bailey	70	no	no	partly	8	yes	fair	yes	yes
29	Tindall	76	yes	yes	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
30	Nodaway	15	partly	no	no	.....	good	yes	yes	no
31	Captain Wagoner	33	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
32	S. A. Hurlburt	51	yes	partly	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
33	Ben. Loan	40	yes	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
34	McCook	59	yes	no	no	20	yes	yes	yes	yes
36	Paddy Shields	47	no	yes	partly	6	fair	yes	yes	yes
38	Col. Forbes	50	no	no	no	.....	fair	yes	yes	yes
39	Roderick Rockwood	32	partly	partly	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
41	Peabody	42	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
42	Albert Chandler	35	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes
43	W. T. Sherman	144	no	no	partly	12	yes	yes	yes	yes
44	McCullough	45	no	partly	partly	18	yes	no	fair	fair
45	Christian Meyer	58	no	yes	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
46	Perry V. Fletcher	20	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes
47	Capt. J. L. Clark	80	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
48	Gen. Geo. G. Meade	111	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	fair	fair	yes
50	Harrisonville	30	partly	partly	partly	14	yes	no	yes	yes
51	Col. F. Schaefer	28	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	av'rage	yes	yes
53	Gen. Geo. R. Smith	173	yes	yes	yes	20	yes	fair	yes	yes
54	Thos. G. Wade	93	yes	no	no	8	fair	fair	fair	yes
56	Reynolds	81	yes	partly	no	4	no	no	yes	yes
57	O. H. Wood	64	yes	yes	partly	9	yes	no	yes	yes
58	Bates County	92	yes	yes	partly	6	yes	fair	yes	yes
59	Gen. H. Blount	28	mod'r'te	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
60	Gen. Wadsworth	38	no	no	no	.....	fair	no	yes	yes
61	Valentine Peters	31	partly	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
63	Winfield Scott	57	partly	partly	partly	9	yes	yes	yes	yes
65	Mound City	32	no	no	partly	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes
66	Kilpatrick	26	yes	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
67	Tarkio	17	fair	no	yes	6	no	no	yes	yes
68	Gen. E. D. Baker	25	yes	no	no	.....	yes	partly	partly	yes
69	Capt. Jno. Mathews	77	partly	partly	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes
70	B. B. King	37	partly	partly	partly	4	fair	fair	fair	yes
72	Col. Jacob Smith	128	yes	no	no	yes	no	no	yes

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yes	yes	yes	45 00	\$ 1 00	yes	\$7.97 31	\$ 690 24	\$ 433 71	\$3,648 10	yes	no	excellent	1
yes	yes	yes	00 00	1 00	no		400 00	1,041 78	200 00	yes	no	good	2
yes	yes	yes	00 00	37 75	no		86 00	171 00		no	yes	good	3
yes	yes	yes	00 00	50 00	no		252 55	108 83		no	no	good	4
yes	yes	yes	1 50	60 00	yes	300 00	50 00	19 32	100 00	yes	no	good	5
yes	yes	yes	1 50	50 00	yes	32 42	44 40	30 37	200 00	no	no	good	6
yes	yes	yes	1 00	30 00	yes	87 04	112 92	135 21	500 00	yes	yes	good	7
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		25 50	35 28	100 00	yes	yes	good	8
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		6 50	21 80	33 50	no	no	good	10
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		7 45	24 97	100 00	no	no	fair	11
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes		130 83	101 92	3,000 00	yes	yes	good	12
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	189 37	101 92	471 81	160 00	yes	yes	good	13
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	24 88	31 35	165 00	160 00	yes	yes	good	14
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	147 24	63 50	205 31		yes	yes	fair	16
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	37 90	5 05	141 13	139 00	no	yes	flattering	17
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	1 10	1 10	7 63	63 94	no	yes	good	19
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	19 80	30 00	24 30	40 01	no	no	fair	20
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	713 67	99 85	772 47	250 00	yes	no	good	21
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes		27 50	8 15	100 00	yes	yes	good	22
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		2 00	129 66	50 00	yes	no	good	23
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		40 30			yes	no	good	25
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		52 00	55 00		yes	no	good	26
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes		11 00	8 50	392 70	no	no	good	29
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		6 35	95 16	120 00	no	no	encouraging	30
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		7 00	1 45	100 00	no	yes	very bright	31
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		7 00	18 00	126 00	yes	yes	good	32
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes		9 75	12 00	40 00	yes	no	good	34
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no	10 42	2 00	16 00	51 48	yes	no	good	36
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		2 00	28 00	5 00	no	no	better	38
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	7 50	34 45	15 00	300 00	yes	no	good	39
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		19 35	15 75	60 00	yes	no	good	41
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		25 00	250 00		yes	no	good	42
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		20 00	20 00		no	no	good	43
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	20 00	38 00	129 00	129 00	yes	yes	good	44
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		12 75	221 00	221 00	yes	yes	good	45
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	8 78	16 00	25 00		yes	yes	good	46
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		19 80	50 00	50 00	yes	no	good	47
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		26 50	187 50		no	no	good	48
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		36 95	202 35	250 00	yes	yes	good	50
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		155 23	18 31	25 00	yes	yes	good	51
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		4 75	25 00		no	no	fair	53
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	19 80	19 80	150 00		yes	no	fair	54
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		13 50	126 56	20 50	no	no	good	55
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		2 50	16 45	5 00	no	no	good	56
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		2 00	6 67		no	no	not flatt'r'g	58
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		6 50	8 65	100 00	no	no	fair	60
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		27 50	10 40	35 60	no	no	good	61
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		7 00	27 93	500 00	no	no	fair	63
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no			43 25	50 00	no	no	good	65
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no			3 45		no	no	fair	67
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	yes	9 30	10 70	76 30	200 00	yes	no	fair	68
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no		126 95	326 06	25 00	yes	no	fair	69
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 00	no					no	no	good	72

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76	Ino. A. Dix	48	yes	no	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
78	Col. Grover	180	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes
80	Rousseau	33	yes	partly	partly	12	partly	partly	yes	yes
81	L. W. Cooper	33	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
82	Yeager-Sharp	48	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
84	Curtis	20	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
85	Lookout	17	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes
86	King City	57	no	partly	no	3	no	no	no	yes
88	C. G. Harker	26	no	no	no		no	no	yes	yes
96	Capt. C. C. Harvey	57	no	no	no		yes	partly	fair	yes
97	Gen. G. B. Boomer	58	no	yes	yes		yes	no	yes	yes
100	Franklin Shanks	34	partly	partly	partly	6	medi'm	medi'm	n't'str'g	yes
101	William E. Wood	19	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes
102	Shelbyville	23	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
104	Chilhowee	15	partly	no	half		yes	yes	yes	yes
104	Nichols	31	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
107	Harry P. Harding	185	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
108	Jefferson C. Davis	36	yes	partly	partly		yes	no	yes	yes
109	B. K. Davis	40	yes	partly	partly	13	yes	yes	yes	yes
110	William McKee	110	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
111	Miles Carroll	110	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
115	Cameron Garrett	29	no	partly	partly		partly	partly	partly	yes
117	Hardy Smith	23	no	no	no	6	yes	fair	yes	yes
118	Jewell	44	yes	partly	partly	9	yes	no	yes	yes
119	Marion	87	yes	no	no	8	yes			yes
120	Maple Grove	22	no	no	partly		no	no	no	yes
122	Virgil Rogers	24	yes	no	no		fair	yes	yes	yes
124	Lieut. L. D. Neal	127	yes	yes	partly	30	yes	yes	yes	yes
128	Salem	79	yes	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
129	Capt. J. H. Little	17	partly	partly	partly		partly	partly	partly	yes
131	Ransom	519	yes	yes	yes	13	yes	yes	yes	yes
134	Gentry	48	no	yes	partly	10	yes	partly	yes	yes
135	Sergt. R. H. Porch	16	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes
141	Marionville	44	yes	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
142	Stephen Decatur	23	yes	no	no		no	no	yes	yes
145	S. uel McClure	60	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
146	Avalon	31	no	no	yes		no	yes	yes	yes
149	J. G. Gravely	70	yes	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
150	Liberty	44	partly	partly	partly	12	yes	no	yes	yes
152	D. N. Keeler	61	partly	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
154	Thos. Weber	16	yes	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes
155	Loyalty	38	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
158	George Miller	43	yes	yes	partly	6	yes		yes	yes
160	Col. Henry E. Gilbert	32	no	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
161	Gen. Frank J. Herron	21	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes
162	Marshall	25	partly	no	no		yes	partly	yes	yes
164	Col. Islam Keith	31	no	no	no	12	yes	no	yes	yes
165	Menke	18	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
168	Jesse H. Moore	30	yes	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
171	J. N. Whitehead	23	no	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
172	Gen. J. B. Steadman	42	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
173	Justi	99	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes
175	Seneca	46	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
176	Indian Springs	11	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
177	W. H. L. Wallace	20	yes	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
178	Stephen Estle	36	no	no	no		no	no	yes	yes
179	Capt. W. G. Murray	73	no	no	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes

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yes	yes	yes	\$ 1 50	\$ 0 50	yes		\$ 7 00	\$ 10 00	\$1,681 60	no	yes	good	76
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	yes		10 10	6 34	685 00	yes	no	good	78
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		15 10	5 42	85 00	no	no	fair	80
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		12 00	1 30	10 00	no	no	good	81
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50	yes	\$ 42 24	42 91	40 00	40 00	yes	no	fair	82
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no			60 00	60 00	no	no	fair	84
yes	yes	yes	2 00	30	no		23 80			yes	no	not good	85
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	yes	20 32	18 80	94 57	4 00	no	no	fair	86
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no			5 29	6 00	no	no	fair	86
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no			19 80	100 00	no	no	better	97
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no		15 00	5 00	50 00	no	yes	medium	100
no	no	no	1 00	10	no					no	no	bad	101
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		6 00	1 40	40 00	no	no	good	102
yes	yes	yes	1 40	25	no		2 40	4 04		no	no	good	103
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no		15 10	7 00	75 00	no	no	good	104
yes	yes	yes	3 00	1 00	yes	241 2	30 00	842 17	810 10	yes	yes	good	117
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no			12 33	25 00	no	no	fair	108
yes	yes	yes	2 40	25	no		17 25	54 58	175 00	no	no	dull	109
yes	yes	yes	2 40	25	yes	29 35	60 00	50 00	200 00	yes	no	good	111
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no		50 00	25 00	1,000 00	yes	yes	splendid	111
yes	yes	yes	1 00	32	no			12 34	7 85	no	no	reasonable	115
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		50 00	11 65	100 00	no	no	good	117
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50	no		84 25	48 38	82 00	no	no	fair	118
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no			86	120 46	no	no	good	119
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	yes	10 00	8 00	19 00	10 00	no	no	very poor	121
yes	yes	yes	1 00	15	yes	4 5	8 0		15 00	no	no	fair	122
yes	yes	yes	1 65	37	yes	76 95		157 82	460 00	yes	yes	good	124
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50	no		14 85	107 90	215 00	no	no	fair	128
yes	yes	yes	1 00	12	no			10 00	5 00	no	no	not good	129
yes	yes	yes	5 00	1 10	yes	26 96	824 26	36 61	1,961 65	yes	no	not good	131
yes	yes	yes	1 00	45	no			38 16	60 00	yes	no	good	134
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no		2 05	121 63	20 00	no	yes	good	135
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	no			66	600 00	yes	no	good	141
yes	yes	yes	1 50	15	no				620 00	yes	yes	fair	142
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no		27 00	37 14	50 00	yes	no	good	145
yes	yes	yes	1 50	10	no					no	no	not good	146
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		10 60		50 00	no	yes	good	149
yes	yes	yes	2 00	30	yes	16 07	7 50	126 91	50 00	no	no	good	150
yes	yes	yes	2 00	10	no		43 00	214 18	110 00	no	yes	very good	152
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no			2 80	25 00	no	no	not good	154
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no			7 50		no	no	good	155
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no		5 00	3 16	50 00	yes	no	good	158
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no		1 25	18 73	50 00	no	no	good	160
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		15 00	6 66	25 00	no	no	good	161
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	no			15 00	15 00	no	no	favorable	162
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50	no		4 30	6 90	50 00	yes	no	good	164
yes	yes	yes	1 00	15	no		1 25		25 00	no	no	moderate	166
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	no		16 20	6 80	10 00	no	no	good	168
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no			95 34	600 00	no	yes	good	171
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	no		11 2	10 92	50 00	yes	no	good	172
yes	yes	yes	5 00	50	no		65 25	154 96	300 00	no	no	good	173
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50	no		30 00	30 04	26 93	no	no	good	175
yes	yes	yes	1 00	15	no			2 55	75 00	no	no	fairly good	176
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no			27 35		no	no	fair	177
yes	yes	yes	1 40	25	no		1 50		400 17	no	no	not good	178
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	yes	28 43	15 00	264 75	55 00	no	no	fairly good	179

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180	Stambaugh	28	partly	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
181	Mansfield	37	no	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
182	Gen. Chester Harding	88	yes	partly	partly	8	partly	no	yes	yes
184	Erich Pape	35	partly	partly	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes
185	Maj. Hunt	33	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
186	Windsor	27	no	no	no	.....	yes	partly	yes	partly
187	John A. Rawlings	32	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
188	John D. Mullins	46	no	partly	partly	6	no	no	yes	yes
190	W. B. Goodrich	10	partly	no	no	.....	yes	no	no	yes
197	Col. Morsey	54	no	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes
200	Rogersville	26	partly	partly	no	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
201	Bradshaw	31	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
202	W. S. Thomas	15	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
210	McCroskey	24	.....	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
212	George Taylor	17	yes	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
214	Sergt. Ryan	55	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
215	Picket	94	yes	no	partly	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
216	Cainsville	39	partly	yes	yes	21	yes	yes	yes	yes
217	Bennett Ford	10	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
218	John Williams	21	no	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes
219	Republic	39	no	partly	no	6	yes	no	yes	yes
220	Jamesport	39	yes	partly	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
221	Norcross	39	yes	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
222	S. L. Turley	43	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
223	Reuben Dale	75	partly	yes	partly	15	yes	yes	yes	yes
224	Guy Ward	20	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
225	Marshfield	21	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
227	Col. Almstaedt	21	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
229	Union	23	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
231	Andrew Hightower	20	fair	partly	partly	2	yes	yes	yes	yes
232	Lieut. S. A. M. George	55	no	partly	partly	12	yes	yes	yes	yes
233	Thos. J. Brouster	58	partly	partly	partly	8	no	no	yes	yes
234	Ash Grove	33	no	yes	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
235	Gen. Fred. D. Steele	29	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
237	Farnsworth	23	yes	no	no	20	yes	yes	yes	yes
239	W. S. Hancock	43	yes	yes	yes	4	yes	yes	yes	yes
240	Jno. A. Hayn	149	yes	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
241	Galt	24	no	no	no	.....	m'dium	m'dium	yes	yes
243	Andy Smith	29	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
244	Fred. Steele	24	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
249	Fordland	22	partly	no	no	.....	no	no	no	yes
250	Ulysses	15	partly	partly	partly	8	fair	fair	yes	yes
251	Col. Leonard	46	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
252	Mt. McGregor	10	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
254	J. N. Hilton	30	fair	no	no	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes
257	John Boon	58	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
258	Mitchell	23	yes	partly	no	.....	yes	no	no	yes
260	Blanchard	20	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
261	Sergt. Maj. McIntosh	95	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
262	Johnson	16	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
263	Cuba	48	no	partly	partly	4	no	no	yes	yes
264	Morgan L. Smith	57	partly	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
266	Billings	23	partly	no	no	6	yes	yes	no	yes
268	Pinhart	71	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
269	Sergt. Plummer	13	partly	no	no	.....	no	partly	partly	yes
273	Difani	102	no	no	no	33	yes	no	no	yes
274	Norwood	23	yes	partly	no	1	no	no	yes	yes

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$ 1 50	\$ 0 25	no		\$ 8 57	\$ 20 00	\$ 500 00	yes	yes	good	180
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no		1 50	8 45	18 00	no	no	good	181
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no		24 30	13 81	250 00	yes	no	flattering	182
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 75	50	no			7 06	209 16	no	no	fair	184
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 25	50	yes	\$ 1 00		1 75	20 00	no	no	fairly good	185
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no			5 00	5 00	no	no	good	186
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no		5 00		35 00	no	no	very good	187
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no		10 00	4 25	25 00	yes	yes	bad	188
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	50	no		8 00	15 00		no	no	hopeful	190
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	25	no				8 50	no	no	good	197
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no		25 00	10 00	100 00	no	no	good	200
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	12 00	30	yes	37 74	18 20	38 74	168 65	yes	yes	fair	201
Yes	Yes	no	1 00	15	no	no					no	no	good	202
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	50	no	no			9 00	5 00	yes	no	fairly good	210
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	40	yes	no		36 00		25 00	no	no	good	212
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	25	yes	no	2 35		25 85	500 00	no	yes	good	214
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	50	no	no		3 00	16 50	66 58	yes	no	good	215
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	25	no	no		18 05	208 68	75 75	no	yes	good	216
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	12 1/2	50	no			3 95	10 00	no	yes	poor	217
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	15	no	no		29 00	15 00	8 00	no	yes	fair	218
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	50	yes	no	19 15	3 75	19 11	45 36	no	no	good	220
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no		1 75	8 33	37 05	no	no	good	221
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	25	no	no				40 00	yes	no	good	222
Yes	fair	Yes	1 65	35	no	no			96 11	75 00	no	no	good	223
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	35	no	no			7 00	10 00	no	no	favorable	224
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no				22 50	no	no	medium	225
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	25	no	no			12 70	15 00	no	yes	fair	227
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	25	no	no		3 15	3 70	40 00	yes	no	good	229
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no		3 00	7 60	5 00	no	no	fair	231
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 14	25	no	no		4 50	13 25	50 00	no	no	good	232
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	6 1/2	no	no		12 45	58 23	92 00	no	no	fair	233
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no			6 45	20 00	no	no	good	234
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	25	no	no		1 00	18 78		no	no	fair	235
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	25	no	no				100 00	yes	no	fair	237
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	60	yes	no	43 60	67 22	150 00	no	no	no	good	239
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	50	no	no	56 85	350 00	25 60	no	no	no	good	240
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no		20 00	4 15	75 00	yes	no	good	241
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	1 00	no	no		3 00		600 00	yes	no	good	243
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no			7 75	20 00	no	yes	gloomy	244
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no		3 10	16 28	12 25	no	no	not good	249
Yes	Yes	Yes	n'h'g	25	no	no			32 22	50 00	no	no	fair	250
Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	25	no	no		15 00		50 00	no	no	good	251
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 25	25	no	no			24 37	7 47	no	no	good	252
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no		3 00	85 00	25 00	no	yes	fair	254
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no		10 55	6 82	246 00	no	no	good	257
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	20	no	no		10 00	25 00	75 00	no	no	not very g'd	258
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no			2 60	30 00	no	no	good	260
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	25	yes	no	2 50		43 77	30 00	yes	yes	good	261
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	25	yes	no	2 90	5 50	7 75	4 00	no	no	gloomy	262
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no		3 00	7 17	40 00	no	no	good	263
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	50	yes	no	18 46	100 00	18 76	200 00	yes	no	very good	264
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	50	yes	no	30 00	15 00	6 00	25 00	yes	no	flattering	266
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	25	no	no		21 00	2 30	511 00	no	yes	good	268
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	no	no		2 50		25 00	no	no	bad	269
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	30	yes	no	93 07		50 87	116 20	no	yes	not flatt'g	273
Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	15	no	no			5 00	300 00	no	yes	good	274

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276	Henry Brown.....	156	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
277	Seymour.....	33	no	no	no	6	partly	partly	yes	fair
278	John Kelsey.....	22	no	no	no	.....	partly	partly	yes	no
279	Edinburgh.....	27	yes	no	yes	.....	partly	partly	yes	yes
280	A. J. Norton.....	31	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
281	David Slake.....	14	partly	partly	partly	6	partly	no	yes	partly
282	Wakefield Standley.....	46	partly	no	no	.....	fair	yes	yes	yes
283	Wakefield.....	41	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	no	yes
284	Geo. G. Bryan.....	50	partly	partly	partly	6	partly	no	partly	yes
285	Jim Carnes.....	29	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	no	yes
286	Chas. Sumner.....	82	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
287	Warren.....	21	yes	no	no	6	fair	no	medi'm	yes
288	Thos. S. Staples.....	16	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
290	Fred. Hecker.....	33	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	no	yes
293	Geo. Gamble.....	34	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
294	Col. Geiger.....	42	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
296	Capt. Blandowsky.....	19	no	no	no	.....	no	no	partly	yes
297	Jno. S. Phelps.....	52	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
299	C. A. Arthur.....	78	no	no	no	6	no	no	no	no
301	Capt. Chas. Demny.....	43	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes
302	Neglev.....	8	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
304	John A. Logan.....	50	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
307	Freeport.....	17	no	no	no	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
308	Franklin.....	14	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
310	Maj. A. B. Carroll.....	22	yes	yes	no	8	yes	no	yes	yes
311	Geo. W. Tyler.....	21	yes	partly	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes
312	Dan McCook.....	43	partly	partly	partly	.....	partly	partly	partly	yes
313	William F. Lane.....	24	partly	partly	partly	.....	partly	no	partly	yes
314	John D. Rohye.....	26	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
318	Jesse M. Harbin.....	26	no	no	no	.....	partly	no	no	yes
320	Capt. Manwaring.....	64	yes	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
322	Capt. J. M. Baird.....	35	yes	partly	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes
323	Galena.....	32	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	yes
324	Geo. V. Pitts.....	15	fair	no	no	.....	fair	no	yes	yes
326	J. Felix St. James.....	69	yes	yes	yes	9	yes	fair	yes	yes
327	Adrian.....	22	partly	no	no	.....	yes	partly	fair	yes
329	Gordon Granger.....	77	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
330	Jonah W. Reser.....	53	no	yes	yes	.....	yes	partly	fair	yes
331	John P. McCluney.....	44	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	fair	yes
332	James W. Owens.....	85	yes	no	no	3	yes	yes	yes	yes
333	Gen. James H. Hart.....	20	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
334	Gen. Washburn.....	16	yes	no	no	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
335	H. G. Blake.....	27	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
337	James Ward.....	43	partly	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes
339	Houston.....	67	yes	no	partly	3	yes	fair	fair	yes
340	Evans.....	38	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
342	Sergt. L. J. Roach.....	26	partly	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
343	Col. Shaw.....	101	yes	yes	partly	3	yes	yes	yes	yes
345	Jesse Owens.....	51	no	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes
347	Levi F. Pennington.....	26	no	no	no	.....	no	no	partly	yes
348	Henry C. Beckett.....	54	yes	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
350	Capt. Jas. Johnson.....	25	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
351	Sergt. P. P. Mabrey.....	13	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
355	Dixon.....	38	partly	yes	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes
356	Zincite.....	10	no	no	no	1	yes	yes	yes	yes
358	R. L. Ferguson.....	36	no	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
360	Daniel Miles.....	17	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes

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yes	yes	yes	\$ 1 00	\$ 0 25	yes	\$ 6 0	\$ 25 00	\$ 63 84	\$ 5 00	no	no	good	276
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no		12 40	33 00	10 00	no	no	sure	277
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 yes	no		35 00	10 00	10 00	no	no	good	278
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 yes	no	24 30		34 55	479 00	no	yes	good	279
yes	yes	yes	1 00	29 no	no		7 00	19 70		no	yes	fair	280
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no			25 03		no	no	doubtful	281
yes	yes	yes	1 00	31 1/2 yes	yes	15 80	14 00	25 65	50 00	no	yes	fair	282
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no			3 80	20 00	no	no	not very g'd	283
yes	yes	yes	1 75	25 no	no		15 00	20 00	40 00	no	no	fair	284
yes	yes	yes	1 00	10 no	no					no	no	bad	285
yes	yes	yes	2 00	40 no	no		44 25	12 88	9 50	yes	no	good	286
yes	yes	yes	2 00	40 no	no			8 00		yes	no	fair	287
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 yes	no	12 50	6 00	5 00	20 00	no	no	good	288
yes	yes	yes	1 75	25 no	no		25 00	10 00	10 00	no	yes	not good	289
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no		4 00		200 00	no	yes	good	290
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no				6 15	no	no	fair	291
yes	yes	yes	1 00				1 35	6 98		no	no	not good	292
yes	yes	yes	2 00	37 1/2 no	no		15 15	27 15	50 00	no	no	extra good	293
yes	no	yes	1 50	25 no	no				11 25	no	no	good	294
yes	yes	yes	3 00	75 no	no		25 00	103 80	93 00	no	yes	good	295
yes	yes	yes	1 50	15 no	no		1 20	1 90		no	no	good	296
yes	yes	yes	3 00	1 00 yes	no	16 18	25 50	117 76	100 00	yes	no	fair	297
yes	ptly	yes	1 00	30 no	no			19 10	10 00	no	yes	unfavorable	298
yes	yes	yes	2 50	25 no	no			2 00	10 00	no	no	fair	299
yes	yes	yes	2 00	37 1/2 no	no			2 26	27 25	no	no	fair	300
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no		16 16	1 75	50 00	no	no	good	301
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no		19 75	11 55	20 00	no	no	good	302
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no		4 00	6 00		no	no	good	303
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no		15 00	53 05	25 00	no	yes	good	304
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no			70	3 70	no	no	good	305
yes	yes	yes	1 00	45 yes	no	84 85	16 75	89 75	35 00	no	no	good	320
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no		8 25		45 00	no	yes	encourag'g	322
yes	yes	yes	1 00	15 no	no			2 28		no	no	very poor	323
yes	ptly	yes	1 00	15 no	no			4 90	9 00	no	no	fair	324
yes	yes	yes	1 50	50 yes	no	126 00	37 30	90 00	125 00	no	no	good	326
yes	yes	yes	1 00	80 yes	no	7 06	4 95	7 83	15 00	no	no	fair	327
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50 yes	no	8 65	39 00	39 97	42 75	no	no	good	329
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no		2 65	1 05	4 00	no	no	fa r	330
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50 no	no		6 00	2 00		no	no	dull	331
yes	yes	yes	1 50	50 yes	no	68 96	8 10	174 45	40 00	no	no	good	332
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50 no	no		1 00	3 75	10 00	no	no	middling	333
yes	yes	no	1 00	15 no	no			25	10 00	no	no	unfavorable	334
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no			28 09	57 00	no	yes	fair	335
yes	yes	yes	1 00	75 yes	no	1 92	1 00	5 63	80 86	no	no	good	337
yes	fair	yes	1 00	25 no	no				600 00	no	no	good	339
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no			4 82	20 00	no	no	good	340
yes	ptly	yes	1 00	12 1/2 yes	no			1 0		no	yes	good	342
yes	yes	yes	3 00	1 00 no	no		48 50	48 78	215 70	yes	yes	good	343
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 yes	no	10 00		31 80	12 00	no	yes	medium	345
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no		15 40	26 90	5 00	no	no	fair	347
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no		20 00	14 66	40 00	yes	no	good	348
yes	yes	yes	1 00	20 no	no		2 50	35 25		no	yes	good	350
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no		3 00	14 22	9 20	no	no	favorable	354
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no				20 00	no	no	fair	355
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no		50	4 00	29 00	no	no	gloomy	356
yes	yes	yes	2 50	50 no	no		7 40	4 00	10 00	no	no	good	358
yes	yes	yes	50	25 no	no		4 00	8 75		no	no	good	360

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362	Sac River	17	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
364	Capt. McFarland	36	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
365	Upton	29	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
367	Roscoe	23	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
370	Samuel Lewis	21	yes	yes	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
371	Rocky Comfort	42	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
373	Col. Putnam	34	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	yes
374	R. P. Carnes	26	no	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes
375	Harwood	47	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
377	Capt. J. W. Robertson	81	no	no	no	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes
378	Iuka	20	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	fair	yes
379	Capt. Tom Walker	54	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
382	Commerce	28	partly	no	no	6	yes	partly	yes	yes
383	Jas. A. Dollans	33	yes	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	fair	yes
384	Dawn	51	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	no	yes
386	Albert Harrison	30	no	no	partly	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
387	Marceline	61	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
389	Geo. E. Wells	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
390	Jacob Yount	51	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
391	Pike	60	partly	yes	partly	7	yes	fair	yes	yes
392	South West City	18	partly	no	no	.....	yes	no	fair	yes
393	Capt. J. A. Bowers	32	yes	partly	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
394	Lieut. Wm. Brawner	17	no	no	no	.....	no	no	partly	no
395	Andrew Chester	32	partly	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes
397	Brookline	11	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
398	Phil. Sheridan	37	no	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes
402	Capt. L. F. Bierwirth	14	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
405	Durbin A. Ward	32	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
406	Corporal Doke	21	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
407	Conway	39	yes	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
408	Col. Krekel	38	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
409	John Shelton	19	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
410	John H. Kendall	11	yes	no	partly	.....	no	no	no	yes
411	Capt. Kelsoe	45	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
412	Downing	17	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
414	David Hewitt	35	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
416	Tiff City	14	partly	no	no	.....	fair	no	partly	yes
417	Smithton	21	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
418	Sergt. Clay Shaw	22	no	partly	partly	.....	fair	no	yes	fair
420	Fred. Roether	18	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	no	yes
421	Capt. Bradway	21	yes	partly	partly	.....	partly	partly	partly	yes
424	Col. A. J. Webber	34	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
425	Wm. Hawkins	48	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
426	Hunnewell	24	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
427	Jno. C. Culver	19	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	.....	yes
428	Thos. Gordon	31	no	partly	partly	.....	no	no	yes	yes
429	John V. Hoover	50	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
430	Holt	23	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
431	Jos. S. Wray	16	partly	yes	partly	.....	no	no	yes	yes
432	Columbia	14	yes	no	yes	.....	no	no	no	yes
433	David D. Porter	21	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	fair
435	Thos. Shelton	21	yes	no	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
436	Jos. A. Mower	52	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
437	Simon Cameron	28	partly	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	partly	yes
439	C. M. Anderson	19	partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
441	Alton	20	yes	no	no	yes	partly	yes	yes

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yes	yes	yes	\$ 1 00	\$ 0 25	no	\$ 2 50	\$ 1 55	\$ 15 00	no	no	good	362
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	2 10	8 00	no	yes	good	364
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	.....	9 50	850 00	no	yes	fair	365
yes	yes	yes	1 00	30 no	no	.....	5 00	.....	.....	no	no	not good	367
yes	yes	yes	2 00	30 no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	no	no	fair	370
yes	yes	yes	1 00	15 no	no	.....	75	.....	.....	no	no	good	371
yes	yes	yes	1 10	25 no	no	.....	.....	20 00	10 00	no	no	poor	373
yes	yes	yes	1 50	50 no	no	.....	.....	12 24	500 00	yes	yes	fair	374
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	25 50	9 25	25 00	yes	no	good	375
yes	yes	yes	1 60	25 no	no	.....	3 85	4 00	22 00	no	no	good	377
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	5 50	41	30 00	no	no	good	378
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25 no	no	.....	10 00	18 00	90 00	no	no	good	379
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	5 50	30 80	35 00	no	no	good	382
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	25 00	3 50	15 00	no	no	fair	384
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	.....	.....	35 00	yes	no	poor	384
yes	yes	yes	1 00	20 no	no	.....	25 00	8 50	50 00	no	no	good	386
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50 no	no	.....	50 00	.....	.....	yes	no	good	387
yes	yes	yes	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	389
yes	yes	yes	1 00	10 no	no	.....	14 72	37 78	.....	no	yes	fair	390
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	4 50	45	42 25	no	no	good	391
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	50	129 12	9 20	no	no	fair	392
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	2 80	54	.....	no	no	fair	393
yes	ply	yes	1 00	15 no	no	.....	5 00	24 74	21 75	no	no	not good	394
yes	yes	yes	2 00	60 no	no	.....	.....	3 30	20 00	no	no	fair	395
yes	yes	yes	1 50	10 no	no	.....	.....	3 26	0 00	no	no	death	397
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 yes	\$ 1 25	.....	.....	5 50	1 30	no	yes	good	398
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50 no	no	.....	.....	4 35	4 00	no	no	good	402
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25 no	no	.....	25 00	.....	25 00	yes	no	good	405
yes	yes	yes	1 00	12 1/2 no	no	.....	3 15	25 00	107 37	no	no	good	406
yes	yes	yes	1 50	37 1/2 no	no	.....	.....	12 05	30 00	no	no	good	407
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50 no	no	.....	10 00	21 02	10 00	no	no	very good	408
yes	yes	yes	1 50	15 no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	no	no	good	409
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	no	no	medium	410
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 yes	.....	.....	4 25	4 20	25 00	no	no	fair	411
yes	yes	yes	1 00	30 no	no	.....	.....	2 80	25 00	no	no	good	412
yes	yes	yes	1 00	10 no	no	.....	9 50	4 51	10 35	no	no	good	414
yes	yes	yes	1 00	15 no	no	.....	.....	2 50	6 00	no	no	fair	416
yes	yes	yes	2 00	81 1/2 no	no	.....	.....	05	.....	no	no	fair	417
yes	fair	yes	1 50	37 1/2 yes	1 50	.....	5 60	7 00	10 00	yes	no	fair	418
yes	yes	yes	1 00	30 no	no	.....	5 00	3 00	.....	no	no	not good	420
yes	ply	yes	1 10	25 no	no	.....	.....	15 22	.....	no	no	good	421
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	73 00	26 00	50 00	no	no	fair	424
yes	yes	yes	1 50	15 no	no	.....	25 00	17 85	315 00	yes	yes	good	425
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	.....	.....	50 00	no	no	good	426
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	1 00	.....	.....	no	no	fair	427
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50 no	no	.....	.....	.....	25 00	no	no	fair	428
yes	yes	yes	50	25 no	no	.....	17 10	19 19	7 60	no	no	fair	429
yes	yes	yes	1 50	08 no	no	.....	.....	.....	.....	no	no	not good	430
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50 no	no	.....	1 40	90	27 00	no	no	fair	431
yes	yes	yes	1 50	10 no	no	.....	47 00	.....	8 00	no	no	bad	432
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	14 50	2 26	.....	yes	no	fair	433
yes	yes	yes	1 00	20 no	no	.....	5 00	.....	.....	no	no	fair	435
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	.....	.....	5 00	25 00	no	no	not good	436
yes	yes	yes	1 00	12 1/2 yes	2 50	.....	10 00	13 00	83 50	no	no	very good	437
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25 no	no	25 30	no	no	good	439
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25 no	no	7 60	no	no	good	441

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442	Hume	52	no	no	no		yes	yes	fair	yes
444	Elwood Miller	60	yes	yes	yes	15	yes	yes	yes	yes
446	Obediah Gray	14	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
447	Capt. Bauer	20	yes	yes	yes		yes	partly	yes	yes
452	Tipton	12	yes	yes	no		yes	yes	yes	
453	E. E. Kimball	53	no	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
454	Calhoun	18	no	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
456	McCain	23	yes	yes	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
456	DeKalb	37	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
457	Warren T. Stewart	83	no	no	partly		partly	partly	partly	
458	Col. J. P. Brownlow	12	no	no	no		partly	yes	yes	fair
459	John Whaling	27	yes	yes	partly		yes	yes	yes	fair
461	Capt. J. S. Robb	50	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	fair
462	Ephraim Gaither	34		no	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes
463	Robert Taylor	36	partly	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes
464	Capt. Mace	23	partly	no	yes		partly	partly	partly	yes
465	Louis Duemler	39	partly	yes	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
466	Vandalia	29	partly	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
468	Maj. Leonard	20	no	no	partly		no	no	no	yes
469	Lieut. Brooks	29	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
471	Ethel	17	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes
473	L. A. Weathermon	23	partly	yes	yes		no	yes	yes	yes
475	Gov. Andrew	22	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
478	New Union	35	partly	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes
479	T. R. Lane	20	partly	partly	partly		yes	no	yes	yes
481	Goulding	29	partly	partly	partly		yes	no	partly	yes
482	John C. Fremont	25	yes	no	partly		yes	no	yes	yes
484	W. D. Porter	17	yes	no	no		no	no	no	yes
485	Geo. B. McClellan	27	partly	no	no		yes	no	fair	yes
487	Dillard Bell	23	no	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	no
488	L. Stevenson	24	no	partly	partly	1	no	no	no	yes
489	Maj. Ennis	32	yes	no	no		no	yes	yes	yes
490	W. W. Leggett	24	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
492	Eagle	11	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
495	E. D. Brown	40	yes	partly	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes
496	Col. Meumann	165	yes	yes	yes	5	yes	yes	yes	yes
498	Maj. Montgomery	11	no	partly	partly		no	no	yes	yes
505	Col. P. Cornyn	37	no	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
506	Jno. Tietjens	81	yes	yes	yes		yes	fair	yes	yes
507	Maj. Worthington	18		no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
509	Isaac Smith	15	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
510	Whiteville	26	yes	no	no		no	no	yes	no
511	Maj. Buford	15		yes	yes		no	partly		fair
512	Harrison A. Gleim	60	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
513	Wm. Burris	11	no	yes	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
514	Jesse Turnage	26		no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes
515	Liberal	18	no	no	no		yes	no	partly	yes
516	J. H. Crenshaw	31	yes	no	no		yes	no	no	yes
520	F. M. Slagle	17	yes	partly	partly		yes	no	yes	no
521	Papinsville	14	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes
522	Duncan	13	partly	partly	partly		no	no	no	yes
524	Drexel	30	no	no	no		partly	partly	yes	yes
525	Geo. W. Murphy	30	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes
526	Geo. W. Walker	15	yes	no	no		fair	no	fair	fair
531	Belmont	37	no	no	no		yes	no	no	yes
532	Flag Springs	17	no	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes
533	Capt. John Turney	17	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes

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yes	yes	yes	\$ 1 50	\$ 0 25	no			\$ 10 05	\$ 7 50	no	no	fair	442
yes	yes	yes	1 50	50	yes	\$ 9 13	\$ 14 00	42 51	250 00	no	no	very best	444
yes	yes	yes	1 00	10	no					no	no	fair	446
yes	yes	yes	1 50	30	no		1 85	26 41	42 00	no	no	good	447
yes	yes	yes	1 50	10	no					no	no	good	452
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		44 90	25 52		no	no	good	453
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50	no			5 25	12 00	no	no	fair	454
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	no			6 25	13 00	no	no	good	455
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	n		5 00	5 00	50 00	no	no	good	456
yes	no	yes	2 00	50	no		20 00	1 30	340 00	no	no	fair	457
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	yes	8 75		8 16	17 25	no	no	fair	458
yes	yes	yes	1 50	75	no		11 00	50 20	160 00	yes	no	good	459
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no		2 45	5 87	14 70	no	yes	good	461
yes	yes	yes	25	25	no		14 00	175 00	50 00	no	no	hopeful	462
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	no		35 00	1 75	50 00	no	no	fair	463
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		10 00	15 00	5 78	no	no	fair	464
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		10 00	15 40	25 00	no	yes	good	466
yes	yes	yes	2 00	50	no		5 00	39 30	20 00	no	no	good	466
yes	pty	yes	1 00	25	no					no	no	good	468
yes	yes	yes	1 50	30	no		1 50	3 55	3 00	no	no	good	469
yes	yes	yes	1 00	10	no			10 63		no	no	bad	471
yes	yes	yes	2 00	30	no			8 60	20 00	no	no	far	473
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		13 75	15 15		no	no	fair	475
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		53 53	16 21	35 00	no	no	good	478
yes	yes	yes	1 00	30	no				5 00	no	yes	good	479
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		1 00	9 50	80 00	no	no	fair	481
yes	yes	no	2 00	25	no		5 45	13 10	25 00	no	no	good	482
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no				15 00	no	no	bad	484
yes	yes	yes	1 50	20	no		17 30	13 15	10 50	yes	no	fine	485
yes	yes	yes	1 00	35	yes	20 00		24 35	25 00	yes	no	good	487
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	yes	8 95	8 20	19 80	10 00	no	no	good	488
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no			4 50		no	no	good	489
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	no		5 00	9 35	15 00	no	no	dull	490
yes	pty	yes	1 00	25	no			4 05		no	yes	good	492
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		20 00		20 00	no	yes	good	495
yes	yes	yes	3 00	75	no		58 70	574 04	200 00	yes	no	very good	496
yes	yes	yes	2 00	25	no				20 00	no	no	poor	498
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		12 00	65 65	25 00	no	yes	good	505
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	yes	4 65		6 10	20 00	no	yes	good	508
yes	yes	yes	1 00	10	no		3 00	3 00	36 00	no	yes	very good	507
yes	yes	yes		75	no			3 00	33 00	no	no	good	509
yes	yes	yes	2 00	15	no		2 50	14 83	125 00	no	no	good	510
yes	yes	yes	1 00	75	no					yes	no		511
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	yes	4 00	9 50	10 00	17 00	no	no	good	513
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50	no		8 00	4 83	22 25	no	no	good	513
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no		50 00		40 00	no	no	good	514
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no			3 20	15 00	no	no	good	515
yes	yes	yes	1 00	35	no				25 00	yes	no	good	516
no	no	yes	1 00	25	no		6 50	4 60		no	no	good	520
yes	yes	yes	1 50	25	no			2 50	12 00	no	no	good	521
yes	yes	yes	1 50	35	no		3 00		3 00	no	no	not good	522
yes	yes	yes	1 00	35	no		1 00	12 57		no	no	fair	524
yes	yes	yes	1 50	50	yes	7 92	9 00	27 13	25 00	no	no	good	525
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no			1 17	52 00	yes	no	improving	526
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50	no			4 53	20 00	no	no	not good	531
yes	yes	yes	1 00	50	no				12 00	no	no	fair	532
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	yes	1 75	1 10	1 7	16 00	no	no	fair	533

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

No. of Post.	NAME OF POST INSPECTED.	Number of members in good standing?	Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory and properly performed?	Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped?	Are the members uniformed and equipped?	How many muskets are owned by the Post?	Are the officers regular in their attendance?	Are the members regular in their attendance?	Do they exhibit an interest in the Post.	Are all the records complete and well kept?
534	Sergt. Welch.....	35	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
536	Aldrich.....	31	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes
537	Tecumseh.....	19	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
538	Isabella.....	31	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
539	Tilman Smith.....	17	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	fair	fair	fair
540	J. H. Weirich.....	23	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes
541	Sewell W. Smith.....	18	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
542	W. H. Harrison.....	26	partly	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes

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yes	yes	yes	\$ 1 50	\$ 0 25	no	\$14 10	5 00	no	no	favorable	534
yes	yes	yes	1 00	25	no	3 50	15 00	no	no	fair	536
yes	yes	yes	1 50	50	12 0	good	537
yes	yes	no	1 00	15	3 35	12 00	no	yes	good	538
yes	yes	yes	1 00	75	31 00	4 00	yes	no	fair	539
yes	yes	yes	1 00	15	no	1 00	8 15	16 85	no	no	good	540
yes	yes	yes	1 00	20	no	2 60	no	no	not good	541
yes	yes	1 50	no	15 95	25 00	no	yes	good	542

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR, }
 OWASCO, MO., March 22, 1894. }

Department Commander and Comrades:

I have the honor to submit to you my annual report as Medical Director of Missouri for the year ending December 31, 1893.

Reports have been received from 329 Post Surgeons.

Number of deaths during the year 279, and as only a part of the Posts were furnished Form F., it would be unjust to report the gratuitous medical treatment.

I would recommend the Post Surgeons' blank have added to it: first, medical treatment for all ex-soldiers; second, for the families of all ex-soldiers; third, number, if any, of ex-soldiers that are a charge to the County or State.

We should adopt some plan to have the Posts report to Medical Director more promptly, for the time may come when the records will be a benefit to the dependent ones of our comrades.

I desire, in conclusion, to thank you and all Department officers for their kind and courteous treatment during my association with them.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

E. F. LANE, M. D.,
 Medical Director.

DEATH ROLL, DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
G. A. R., 1893.

NO. POST.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1	Bauer, G	58	Private	B	4th U. S. R. C.	
1	Berger, Jos	70	Private	F	10th Ill. Inf.	
1	Carney, Jno	53	Private	E	19th Pa. Inf.	
1	Dean, Geo	61	Private	A	42d Ohio Inf.	
1	Eynatten, Fran	50	Sergeant	I	178th N. Y.	
1	Greiner, Aug	51	Private	A	1st Mo. Lt. Art.	
1	Kohlhauff, Jos	54	Corporal	A	1st Mo. Lt. Art.	
1	McClintock, D	63	Private	D	108th Ill. Inf.	
1	Meyer, Fred	70	Private	B	144th Ill. Inf.	
1	Nelson, Jos	50	Corporal	F	169th N. Y. Inf.	
1	Rammelkamp, R	66	Private	A	5th U. S. R. C.	
1	Saylor, Fred	57	Private	A	3d Penn. Res.	
				D	54th Penn. Inf.	
1	Scheuble, Seb	61	Private	H	4th Mo. Cav.	
1	Schuster, Geo	58	Captain	E	3d Mo. Inf.	
1	Sharp, W. C	45	Private	B	49th Mo. Inf.	
1	Smith, Thos	62	Private	I	4th Mo. Cav.	
					U. S. Navy	
1	Tirrell, C. D	48	Private	G	4th Mass. H. Art	
1	Trauernicht, Wm	54	Private	B	4th U. S. R. C.	
1	Winkler, Louis	52	Private		1st Ill. Art	
2	Barnholst, Nic	59	Private	E	43d Ill. Inf.	
2	Brown, D	63	Private	C	2d Ill. Lt. Art.	
2	Goabatz, Fred	64	Private	H	4th U. S. C.	
2	Hocomb, S. B	75	Lieut	I	1st Tex. Cav.	
2	Lenartz, C. H	55	Private	C	5th Mo. Cav.	
2	Stepheson, W	62	Private	A	23d Penn. Inf.	
2	Weber, Peter	68	Private	M	4th U. S. R. C.	
3	Nugent, A. G		Colonel		2d Bat. Mo.	Pneumonia.
3	Smith, A. C	50	Private	K	8th Maine	Cancer.
4	Brown, Aaron	70	Private	E	2d Mass. Inf.	
4	Cardell, W. B	57	Private	A	122d N. Y. Inf.	
4	Fry, Geo. B	73	Captain		82d Ohio Inf.	General debility.
4	Fox, Martin	55	Private	B	1st Ill.	
4	Jacobs, P. S	55	Lieut	A	50th U. S. Cav.	
4	Pardee, J. H	53	Private	D	20th N. Y. Inf.	
4	Reedy, Jas	50	Sergeant	K	44th Ohio Inf.	
4	Pulman, David	51	Sergeant		U. S. Navy	Pneumonia.
4	Tray, J. L	53	Private	I	42d Ohio Inf.	
4	Weaver, H. C	63	Lieut	I	149th Penn. Inf.	Chr. constipation.
5	Harding, Al	48	Private	D	1st Ill. Cav.	Dropsy.
6	Carter, Wm	59	Private	B	43d Wis. Inf.	Pneumonia.
6	Rice, R. V	57	Private	D	26th Mo.	Heart disease.
7	Henry, Rob. F	55	Private	D	2d U. S. Inf.	
7	Kraft, Emil	49	Private	C	20th N. Y. Inf.	
8	Chase, H. D	59	Lieut	B	15th Ill. Cav.	
8	Felkin, N. W	59	Major		10th Ohio Cav.	
8	McArdle, Jos	59	Sergeant	E	51st Mo. Inf.	

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
8	Thorne, Josh.	61	Ass. Serg.		U. S. A.	
12	Stachan, Wm.	49	Private.	A	32d Ill.	Congestion brain.
13	Assmann, Chas.	58	Private.	A	3d U. S. R. C.	Heart disease.
13	Bertz, Henry.	53	Private.	G	4th Mo. Cav.	Consumption.
13	Bertz, H.	53	Private.	G	4th Mo. Cav.	Pneumonia.
13	Fitz-Patrick, Thos.	52	Private.	B	90th Ill. Inf.	Pectoral abscess.
13	Frank, Chas.	60	Private.	A	2d Mo. Inf.	Pneumonia.
13	Fritsch, F.	72	Private.	A	U. S. R. C.	Debility.
13	Fox, Jno.	49	Gunner.		U. S. Navy.	Senile debility.
13	Heger, Lewis.	57	Private.	C	4th Wis. Inf.	Tubercular meningitis.
13	Heger, Jno.	61	Private.	H	3d Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.
13	Hopp, John.	61	Private.	G	1st Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.
13	Kehrt, M.	72	Private.	B	149th Ill. Inf.	Apoplexy.
13	Kraft, Frank.	50	Private.	G	12th Mo. Inf.	Rheumatism.
13	Mack, Jno.	60	Private.	D	5th Mo. Inf.	Marasmus.
13	McGinnes, J. C.	63	Captain.	I	6th Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.
13	Mueller, Geo.	49	Private.	F	5th U. S. Cav.	
				A	41st Mo. Inf.	Marasmus.
13	Dauernheim, C.	73	Sergeant.	C	3d U. S. R. C.	
13	Rees, T.	65	Private.	C	30th Ill. Inf.	Pneumonia.
13	Reuss, Wm.	61	Sergeant.	C	1st U. S. R. C.	Bronchitis.
13	Roeth, F.	68	Private.	I	1st U. S. R. C.	Consumption.
13	Scheffer, Aug.	54	Private.	F	41st Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
13	Schmitz, A.	49	Private.	A	11th Mo. Inf.	Remittent fever.
13	Spitz, V.	54	Private.	G	43d Ill. Inf.	Consumption.
13	Tesor, Jos.	55	Private.	C	5th Mo. Inf.	Accident.
13	Noack, Aug.	57	Private.	B	37th Ohio.	Consumption.
13	Zimmerman, T.	50	Musician.	D	1st Mo. Inf.	Dropsy.
13	Zimmerman, F.	63	Private.	F E	2d U. S. R. C.	Consumption.
13	Helperrich, J. A.	56	Private.	E	9th Ill. Inf.	Asthma.
13	Zehnbauser, M.	52	Private.	D	4th Mo. Cav.	Bronchitis.
13	Watman, F.	64	Private.	B	2d U. S. R. C.	La grippe.
16	Amsden, N. C.			C	13th Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.
16	Ransom, A.	73	Private.	H	10th Wis. Inf.	Cancer.
16	Young, J. W.	53	1st Lieut.		1st Mo. Cav.	Tuberculosis.
17	Reynolds, J. F.	52	Private.	F	4th Ohio Inf.	Asthma.
17	Osman, Jno.	72	Private.	G	6th Mo. Cav.	Diabetes.
17	Provolt, Z.	62	Sergeant.	C	43d Mo.	Pneumonia.
21	Lahr, Peter.	75	Private.	C	4th M. S. M. Cav.	Heart failure.
21	Kary, Michael.	56	Private.	B	90th Ill. Inf.	La grippe.
21	Parcher, Lyman.	47	Captain.	B	179th O. V. I.	Consumption.
22	Jacobs, D. G.	49	Corporal.	I	44th O. V. I.	Heart disease.
23	Riley, F. J.	62	2d Lieut.	G	9th M. S. M.	Consumption.
23	O'Brian, M.	65	Private.	D	9th M. S. M.	Chronic diarrhœa.
26	Mitchell, H. L.	74	1st Lieut.		8th Mo. Cav.	Kidney disease.
29	Raulic, V.	50	Private.	G	97th O. V.	Erysipelas.
29	Brown, W. M.	53	Private.	H	50th Wis.	Cong. of lungs.
29	Dewey, H. S.	62	Sergeant.	I	202d Penn.	General debility.
42	Perkins, S.	55	Private.	G	U. S. C. T.	Accident.
44	Puneo, Jas.	61	Private.	F	27th Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
44	Montgomery, R.	49	Private	A	23d Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.
44	Marquis, Robt	64	Private	C	1st M. S. M.	Heart disease.
50	Wagoner, H. W.	50	Sergeant	I	86th N. Y.	
53	Butterbaugh, D	56	Private	G	46th Penn. Inf.	Disease of lungs.
53	Weiss, Wm	69	Sergeant	G	10th Mo. Cav.	Apoplexy.
54	Douglas, Wm	59	Corporal	D	1st M. S. M.	
					42d Mo.	Dropsy.
54	Gray, A. L.	67	Sergeant		2d M. S. M.	Softening of brain.
58	Davis, T. J.	48	Private	K	176th Ohio Inf.	Blood poisoning.
58	Dickson, H.					Pneumonia.
60	Jones, Thos	50	Private	G	76th Ohio.	Cancer of stomach
61	Carver, H. M.		Private	H	65th O. V. I	Lung disease.
63	Elliott, W. H.	48	Private	B	13th Mo. Cav.	
63	Halsey, T. J.	60	Major		11th N. J.	
65	Williams, E	71				Bright's disease.
66	Garrison, A	50	Private	C	43d Mo	Liver complaint.
66	Smith, J. W.	45	Private	H	43d Mo	Pneumonia.
66	Shanks, M.	70	Private	B	1st M. S. M.	Paralysis.
66	Hollis, J. N.					Rupture.
69	Clark, J. H.	55	Private	K	1st Mo. Art.	Pneumonia.
69	Frazy, J. D.	47	Private	C	12th Ind. Inf.	Lock jaw.
69	Folley, Jno	49	Private	F	38th Ill. Inf.	Bright's disease.
69	Lyman, W. D.	70	Vet. Surg.	C	4th Tenn. Cav.	Pneumonia.
69	Reitz, Jno. H.	55	Private	K	1st Mo. Art.	Pneumonia.
69	Robberson, E. T.	62	Surgeon		24th Mo. Inf.	
69	Schumaker, C. D.	48	Private	K	200th Penn. Inf.	Pneumonia.
69	Tracy, M. L.	58	Private			Suicide.
70	Bandhauer, J.	79	Sergeant	A	21st Mo. Inf.	Tumor of liver.
70	Flisher, A.	79	Captain	A	43d Mo	Blood poisoning.
70	Weibke, R.	63	Com. Serg.		1st M. S. M. Cav.	Softening of brain.
81	Elloge, Jas. A.	71	2d Lieut.	B	99th Ill.	
82	Ellicott, G. M.		Major		15th N. Y. Cav.	Bright's disease.
85	Staley, F. M.	47	Private	B	7th Kan. Cav.	Consumption.
92	Mallott, Geo. W.		Private		51st Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
92	Primm, A. P.		Private	C	36th Ohio Inf.	Not known.
97	Flanigan, Jas.	71	Private	B	33d Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
102	Stone, Jno	62	Private	I	2d M. S. M.	Chronic diarrhœa.
103	Brooks, J. W.	71	Private		110th Penn. Inf.	Chronic diarrhœa.
104	Rogers, A.	82	Private	E	2d Tenn.	Disability.
107	Atthoff, C.	51	Private	K	2d Mo. Inf.	Concussion of brain.
107	Grote, A. W.	50	Private	D	5th U. S. R. C.	Rheumatism.
107	Kreuter, F.	66	Lieut.	F	5th U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
107	Kulkvetter, H. W.	52	Private	C	5th U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
107	Water, Jacob	57	Private	M	1st U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
107	Withoft, Wm.	72	Corporal	B	5th U. S. R. C.	Accident.
108	Huff, Jeff.					
111	Carlton, J. D.	79	Corporal	A	8th Mo. Cav.	Cong. of stomach.
111	Martain, C. D.	67	1st Lieut.	H	6th Mo. Cav.	Paralysis.
111	Slavens, H.	57	Private	I	6th Mo. Cav.	Gun shot wound.
118	Russell, A.	62	Private	I	14th Ill. Inf.	

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
129	Dillon, Isaac	58	Private	G	2d Kan. Cav.	Kidney disease.
181	Benson, Wm	53	Seaman		U. S. M	
131	Faulhauber, V	62	Private	A	17th Mo. Inf	Rheumatism.
131	Fisher, H	50	3d Ass. Eng.		U. S. S. Harvest Moon	Heart disease.
131	Lullmann, J. C	58	Private	K	3d Mo. R. C	Suicide.
131	Ralston, Wm	50	Private	B	47th Ill. Inf.	Typhoid Pneum.
131	Willis, M. W	74	Chaplain.		4th N. H. Inf.	
152	Stuhsbery, Wm	72	Captain	C		Old age.
154	Thomas, D	76	Private	A	2d R. M. S. M.	Chronic diarrhœa.
155	Hogen, Pat	66	Private	A	82d Ohio Inf.	Typhoid fever.
155	Housee, D	54	Private	A	2d U. S. M	
				G	16th R. C	Heart disease.
168	Hays, M	52	Private	E	33d Mo. E. S. M	Consumption.
168	Schaffer, Wm	52	Private	H	44th Mo. Inf	Paralysis.
172	Morse, E. R	50	Private	G	183d O. V. I	Pneumonia.
173	Frank, J	68	Private	A	Mo. Home Guard	Disease of chest.
181	Nelis, Elias	49	Private	F	12th Mo. Cav.	Internal injury.
182	Erhardt, Krott	54	Private	G	32d Maryland	Congestion brain.
184	Gaines, W. H	67	Artificer	F	2d Ill. Lt. Art.	Fever.
185	Osterham, G. W	53	Private	E	39th Mo. Inf	Pneumonia.
189	Hilrick, J. A	64	Sergeant		5th Mo.	
				I	5th U. S. A. C	Dropsy.
189	Sea, Alex	57	Sergeant	I	1st Wis.	Paralysis.
202	Cowser, Jos	64	Private	K	47th Ill.	Rheumatism.
202	Kinzler, Thos	50	Private	G	5th Penn. Art.	Congestive chill.
202	Kyes, F. B	58	Private	I	4th Ill. Cav.	
212	Smith, Jno	75	Private	H	65th U. S. C	Old wound.
213	Allen, Jas. G	76	Captain	C	18th Mo	Paralysis.
214	Wagoner, Ed	64	Private	E	9th W. Va	Pneumonia.
217	Brown, C. C	58	Corporal	H	39th Mo. Inf	Rheumatism.
218	Smith, Thos	86	Private	C	43d Mo. Inf.	Congestive chill.
220	Lumpkin, L. H	53	Private	D	33d Wis. Inf.	Congestive liver.
221	McClintick, S. A	71	Private	E	M. E. M	Pneumonia.
232	Cherington, M	49	Private	K	33d Ill	Kidney and heart disease.
233	Danster, A. W	62	Private	C	1st M. S. M.	Accident.
239	Armstrong, Thos	61	Private	G	E. M. M	Accident.
240	Bail, M	63	Private		Bonville Home G	Pneumonia.
241	McCall, Sam	64	Private		H. C. 8th Ohio	Pneumonia.
244	Fellmann, H	68	Private	K	8th U. S. M.	General debility.
251	Williams, Wm. D	55	Private	I	5th Kan. Cav.	Pneumonia.
254	Wright, L	57	Private	K	144th Ill	Fever.
273	Endres, M	49	Sergeant	B	30th Mo	
273	Gebhart, A	49	Private	B	2d M. S. M.	
276	Heald, Ira	69	Private	F	23d Mo	Pneumonia.
282	Ault, R. B	46	Private	D	18th Mo	Bright's disease.
282	Brown, S. W	57	Private	D	6th Mich Inf	
283	Fisher, J. R	51		B	1st M. S. M.	
290	Rady, Jno	69	Corporal	G	11th Ill	
290	Thompson, Wm	68	Private	E	20th Mass	
290	Wooten, Wm. A	70	Corporal	C	2d Tenn	

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Insl.	NAME.	Age	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
290	Gollfered, W.	61	Private.	C	Pacific B.	
294	Regsodt, V.	62	Private.	L	6th M. S. M.	Pneumonia.
301	Bappert, Jno.	65	Private.		1st U. S. R. C.	
301	Klien, Jacob.	49	Private.		3d Mo. Inf.	
301	Mansheardt, A.	52	Private.	C	2d Mo. Inf.	Throat disease.
301	Schmidt, C.	53	Corporal.	C	4th Mo. Cav.	Typhoid fever.
301	Yolk, A.	73	Corporal.		1st Lt. Art.	Heart disease.
311	Smith, M. D.	58	Captain.	F	3d Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.
312	Tucker, L. T.	50	Private.	A	59th Ill. Inf.	Consumption.
317	Lerdsey, J. D.	61	Private.	E	61st Ohio Inf.	Hemorrhage of brain.
326	Will, Geo.	61	Private.	K	21st Inf.	Cancer of stomach
329	Bozarth, F. S.	51	Private.	C	16th Ill. Inf.	Consumption.
329	Cline, P.	54	Private.	H	10th Iowa	Chronic myelitis.
329	Johnson, E.	59	Private.	I	62d Ill. Inf.	Consumption.
329	Nelberger, J. C.	60	Captain.	C	10th Ill. Cav.	Pneumonia.
329	Rensinger, L. H.	60	Private.	D	147th Ohio Lt.G.	Apoplexy.
332	Leis, Henry.	65	Major.		3d Mo. Inf.	Chronic jaundice.
332	Mueller, F.	73	Private.		54th M. E. M.	Consumption.
339	Name not given					
348	Cabble, W. H.	63	Private.	K	65th U. S. C.	Consumption.
348	Young, S.	48	Private.	K	17th U. S. C.	Dropsy.
346	May, E.	63	Ass. Surg.		33d Ill.	
347	Aydelott, J. R. B.	48	Sergeant.	A	49th.	Heart disease.
348	Daniels, A. J.	64	Private.	A	79th Ill.	Paralysis.
348	Lyons, P. H.	50	Private.	C	31st Mo.	Consumption.
348	McCarson, Chas.	52	Private.	B	4th Mo. Inf.	Old wound.
348	Sutton, R. F.	56	Private.	E	50th Mo.	Consumption.
358	Wollet, M.	58	Private.	B	O. V. Cav.	Accident.
362	Ellis, T. J.	51	Private.	D	6th Mo. Cav.	Amputation of leg.
367	Knapp, Ira.	54	Private.	D	73d Ill.	Typhoid fever.
370	Baxter, J. A.					
374	Dunlap, Wm.	79	2d Lieut.	B	30th E. M. M.	Rheumatism.
374	Dunlap, F.	56	Private.	B	30th E. M. M.	Consumption.
375	Craig, L. E. W.	51	Private.	I	39th Ill. Inf.	Consumption.
378	Been, A.	79	Private.	E	7th M. S. M.	Paralysis.
378	Haverell, J.	49	Sergeant.	A	100th Ind.	Heart disease.
379	Curd, S. P.	51	Private.	H	50th Mo.	Consumption.
379	Stephens, J. M.	49	Private.	H	50th Mo.	General debility.
383	Gill, S. K.	68	Blacksm'h	G	6th Tenn. Cav.	Insanity.
386	Gordon, J. W.	58	Private.	D	10th Mich.	Amputation.
390	Thompson, J. C.	59	Private.	F	50th Iowa	Paralysis.
391	Finley, J. W.	48	Private.	D	Home Guard	Pneumonia.
392	McIntosh, Thos.	49	Private.	D	15th Kan. Cav.	Heart disease.
398	Chittim, S. M.	53	Bugler.	L	15th Mo. Cav.	La grippe.
406	Overman, Jos.	59	Sergeant.	K	25th Mo. Inf.	Diabetes.
408	Hackmann, J. F.	51	Sergeant.	F	1st Inf.	Pneumonia.
414	Koon, R.	74	Private.	B	Osage Home G.	Accident.
414	Bartlett, F. M.	56	Private.	D	15th Mo. Cav.	Consumption.
414	Barbour, H. D.	67	Private.	M	2d Mo. Art.	
414	Farmer, Thos.	48	Private.	L	6th Mo. Cav.	Heart failure.

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No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
414	Russell, J. B	57	Corporal	D	15th Mo. Cav.	Rheumatism.
417	Downs, W. H	43	Private	G	51st Ind. Inf.	Pneumonia.
418	Millmont, C	50		I	62d	
418	Olive, J	60		C	67th	
418	Jimerson					
432	Haden, Peter	50	Corporal	D	62d	Consumption.
432	Hickelman, H	49	Private		62d	Heart disease.
441	Gannon, D. H	51	Private	C	59th Ind.	Pneumonia.
458	Smith, R. F	61	Corporal	D	46th Mo. Inf	Consumption.
459	Steele, R	48	Private	G	12th Heavy Art.	Rheumatism.
461	Stockton, Jas	59	Private		Stone Co. Borne Guard.	Heart disease.
363	Barker, S. A	67	Private	G	71st E. M. M.	Malaria fever.
463	Gossett, W. E	64	Fifer	H	13th Ind. Inf	Fever.
465	Gaugh, D. M	50	Private	C	1st U. S. R. C.	Suicide.
469	Hinshaw, A. C	62	Private	F	9th Ind. Inf.	Paralysis.
478	Anthrum, N	50	Private	A	40th Ind. Inf.	
481	Rawland, R. J	51	Private	G	31st Ill.	Consumption.
482	Jinkens, Jas	55	Private	C	155th O. V. I.	Heart disease.
488	Abernathey, M. M	50	Private	F	8th	Pneumonia.
495	Acuff, J. R	64	Private	C	46th Mo. Inf.	Pneumonia.
495	Payne, Jos	54	Private	A	32d Iowa Inf.	Disease of stomach
496	Bisser, R. A	48	Private	B	4th Mo. Inf.	Bronchitis.
496	Frank, L		Private	D	2d Mo. Lt. Art.	Cong. of lungs.
496	Frank, Jno	66	Private	E	2d Mo. Inf	Apoplexy.
496	Hirsch, A		Private	F	12th Mo. Inf.	Pneumonia.
496	Kesten, D	63	Sergeant	B	4th Mo. Cav.	Drowned.
496	Menges, Jno	61	Private	D	1st U. S. R. C.	Typhoid malaria.
498	Watts, W. D	52	Private	F	4th Iowa Cav.	Fever.
500	Christ, Jos	50	Private	C	72d	Paralysis.
512	Henry, C					Accident.
517	Phillips, C	82	Private	E	46th Ill. Inf.	Old age.
531	Perrine, J. W	58	Private		20th Ohio	
534	Clowd, J. B	58	Private			Blood poisoning.
539	Emoms	54	Sergeant	C	18th U. S. C.	Heart disease.
539	Osbern, Evens	57	Sergeant	C	18th U. S. C.	Consumption.
542	Reed, Joel	56	Private	I	50th Mo. Inf.	Lung disease.

Junior Vice Department Commander Phelps took the chair and announced the following Committee on Address of the Department Commander: Past Department Commanders Nelson Cole, Leo Rassieur, Geo. W. Martin, John E. Phelps, C. W. Whitehead.

The Department Commander resumed the chair and announced the following committees:

On the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General's Report: Comrades G. E. Smith, Post 131; W. H. Skinner, Post 124; J. L. Briggs, Post 14.

On Inspector's Report: Comrades W. F. Henry, Post 3; J. T. Birdseye, Post 26; Ira T. Bronson, Post 53.

On Reports of Medical Director, Judge Advocate, Chief Mustering Officer, Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders: Comrades Francis P. Becker, Post 13; George Hall, Post 72; L. J. Mathews, Post 16.

On Resolutions: Comrades A. E. Cook, Post 131; T. J. Ferril, Post 7; Eugene F. Weigel, Post 1; John M. Williams, Post 276; John Ferguson, Post 111.

The Commander: In this connection I will say that I have received, during the year, a number of resolutions which I will take pleasure in referring to the committee on resolutions, and the Assistant Adjutant General informs me that he has several.

Comrade Haynie moved that all resolutions presented to the Encampment be referred to the Committee on Resolutions without debate.

The motion was carried.

Comrades Whitehead, Henry, Guffin and Milner, being called upon by the Department Commander, came to the stage and sang "We Meet Again," followed by "Hear dem Bells."

The Department Commander: I am requested to announce that the Committee on Conference in the matter of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home will meet at room 19, Gasconade Hotel, this evening at 7:30. Please bear that in mind, those who are members of the committee. Is the Committee on Credentials ready to report?

Comrade Tracy, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, presented their report, which was, on motion, adopted.

Assistant Adjutant General Rodgers: I have here resolutions that were sent from Posts to our headquarters to be presented to the Encampment, which I will turn over to the Committee on Resolutions. They are from Posts Nos. 11, 29, 322, 229 and 211.

The Department Commander: In this connection I will state that I have received a letter from the City of Louisville, Ky., requesting that I should present a certain resolution instructing our delegates to the National Encampment to vote for Louisville as the place at which to hold our National Encampment in 1895, and also stating that they have sent me by express a souvenir from the Commercial Club of that city to be presented to this Encampment. I replied to them that being the presiding officer of this Encampment I did not feel like taking any action influencing the comrades in regard to the selection of a place for holding the Encampment, but that I would take great pleasure in presenting the souvenir that the Commercial Club of Louisville sent you. It is a gavel made from a tree where Abraham Lincoln was born. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: I desire to say that in view of our contemplated march I went over the line yesterday, because I know that some of you are getting old, and I wanted to make it as satisfactory as possible. We will take in the school grounds, on which the children, large and small, will be arranged in platoons and will give us something in the nature of an exhibition. We will meet here promptly, and the head of the column will be formed here at the corner promptly at 2 o'clock, and will march out and go up to the school room and pay our compliments to the boys and girls, and then return here as soon as possible and proceed with our business. I think this is going to be a very harmonious convention, and if we are only reasonably prompt we will be able to complete our business long before the sun goes down to-morrow afternoon.

Comrade Cole: I want to announce that there will be a meeting of the survivors of the Second Missouri Light Artillery to-night at Grand Army Hall, and will ask all members of that regiment, as well as all members of the Twelfth Missouri Cavalry, to be present at that gathering. I will ask those of those two regiments that are here to notify those that are not here now.

On motion the Encampment adjourned until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11.

The Encampment was called to order at 2 o'clock P. M. by the Department Commander.

The Department Commander: I desire to change the announcement heretofore made—the Committee of Conference on the part of the Soldiers' Home will meet at 7 o'clock, instead of 7:30. There will be an entertainment in this hall this evening at 8 o'clock.

The Kansas City G. A. R. Quartette being called upon came forward and sang "Beautiful Banner." and, on being encored, "Now we gather around the camp fire to have a little fun."

The Department Commander: I have just received this telegram:

BOWLING GREEN, KY., April 11, 1894.

To Commander, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., Lebanon, Mo.:

Your Kentucky comrades in annual session send you greeting, and hope you will pledge us to-day your votes and support at Pittsburg, in our effort to have National Encampment of 1895 held at Louisville, by order of Kentucky Department, G. A. R.

T. E. LIVESAY,

Commander.

On motion of Assistant Adjutant General Rodgers it was voted that the greetings of the Department of Missouri be returned to the Department of Kentucky by telegram.

The Department Commander: This brings us to the reception and reference of communications.

We have a letter from the Commander-in-Chief, Captain Jack Adams, or from his Adjutant General, which our Assistant Adjutant General will now read:

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
OFFICE OF ADJUTANT GENERAL, }
LYNN, MASS., March 26, 1894. }

Chas. G. Burton, Commander, Dept. of Mo., G. A. R., Nevada, Mo.:

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: I am directed by the Commander-in-Chief to say to you relative to the very pressing invitation received to attend your Department Encampment, to be held at Lebanon, April 11th and 12th, 1894, that while the Commander-in-Chief is grateful for the cordiality of your invitation, and will attend if it is at all possible, still he feels that you should understand fully the situation.

He has not recovered as fully as he and his friends had hoped, from the very severe operation and consequent illness in Chicago last October. While his general health is in some respects better, still the opening made by the surgeons at that time has not filled up as well as was expected and he finds that the slightest over-exertion, especially the motion of railway travel, affects him to a large extent, and therefore under the strict advice of his physicians he is keeping as quietly as possible, and must continue to do so for some time to come. Then again, his duties as an official of this commonwealth are such, especially during the sessions of the legislature, that it is difficult at times for him to leave for any very long periods.

Therefore, for these reasons, but principally on account of his physical condition, he directs me to say that while he shall make every effort to be with you at your Department Encampment, he cannot even at this time state positively whether he can meet the engagement or not. You may rest assured that he will do everything possible to be with you. With the most fraternal regards of the Commander-in-Chief, and promising to communicate with you again some days before your Department Encampment, I have the honor to remain,

Fraternally yours,

JAS. F. MEECH,
Adjutant General.

The Assistant Adjutant General also read the following Letters:

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R., }
OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, }
KINGSTON, Mo., April 9, 1894. }

Chas. G. Burton, Department Commander:

DEAR COMRADE: I am sorry to say that I cannot be with you at Lebanon, I made every arrangement to start to-night and go via St. Louis. But a disastrous fire took place in our city last night, making it impossible for me to attend. The large M. E. Church building, standing on the corner opposite my dwelling, was struck by lightning and entirely destroyed, and we had hard work to save my property, and in the excitement, and being lame, I overdid myself, and it would not be safe for me to make the trip. Give my kindest regards to the officers and comrades of the Encampment, and tell them for me that I will keep the banner of the G. A. R., "Old Glory," still in the front, battling for the rights of the old soldiers. Hoping the Encampment will be a grand success and that the year has been a prosperous one for the order, I am,

Yours, Commander, in F., C. and L.,

JOHN P. PLATT,
Senior Vice Commander.

The Assistant Adjutant General also read the following telegram from Fred. E. Ernst, Commander of Missouri Division, Sons of Veterans:

ST. JOSEPH, MO., April 11, 1894.

To Chas. G. Burton, Dep't Commander, G. A. R., Lebanon, Mo.:

Your sons of this Division extend greeting, and wish you success in all your deliberations.

FRED E. ERNST,

Division Commander.

Comrade Henry, Post 3: It seems to me that these communications should have some special recognition. I therefore move that the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to acknowledge the receipt of the communications, and that the sympathies of this Department be extended to Comrade Platt.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Department Commander: We have now reached the order of business, "Reception and Reference of Communications." Are there any other communications or resolutions to be referred to the Committee on Resolutions?

Comrade Harriman: I have an amendment to the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic in regard to the consolidation of Posts, presented by George H. Thomas Post No. 8, which we would like to introduce and have referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The Department Commander: There being no objection. it will be so ordered.

The Department Commander: If there are no other communications or resolutions to bring before the Encampment the next order of business is "Reports of Committees." I take it for granted that the committees have not had sufficient time, and we will pass that order of business until to-morrow morning. The next in order is "Miscellaneous Business," and the first thing in order under this head will be the nomination of representatives to the National Encampment.

The first thing in order is the nomination of representative-at-large. Nominations are now in order.

Comrade Milner, Post 69, nominated Comrade A. J. Smith as representative-at-large.

On motion the rules were suspended and Comrade A. J. Smith was elected by acclamation.

The Department Commander: What will you do in regard to an alternate-at-large?

Past Department Commander Rassieur: I desire to place in nomination as alternate-at-large Comrade J. L. Briggs, of Joplin. I place him in nomination in recognition of work done at Joplin last year.

On motion the rules were suspended and Comrade J. L. Briggs was elected by acclamation.

The Department Commander: Now, that brings us to the nomination of representatives, and I will suggest that you do not nominate a comrade just because he is a good fellow, but that you confine your nominations to comrades who will attend the National Encampment. There are nineteen to be elected and nineteen alternates.

The following comrades were nominated:

J. C. SEABOURN, Post No. 392, Southwest City.

CHARLES ENGLEHART, Post 76, Kidder.

J. B. COTTY, Post 5, Moberly.

JOHN F. CLULEY, Post 131, St. Louis.

EUPHRATES BOUCHER, Post 118, Mt. Vernon.

EUGENE F. WEIGEL, Post 1, St. Louis.

I. M. WHITE, Post 72, Trenton.

E. D. JOHNSON, Post 69, Springfield.

W. E. EVANS, Post 115, Carl Junction.

JOHN STUPP, Post 496, St. Louis.

HENRY PINS, Post 2, St. Louis.

W. H. LUSK, Post 6, Jefferson City.

T. P. BERRY, Post 53, Sedalia.

J. A. KERR, Post 219, Republic.

R. C. PACKARD, Post 17, Cameron.

C. A. MOSMAN, Post 7, St. Joseph.

W. H. GRAHAM, Post 453, Middletown.

E. D. CANAN, Post 329, Clinton.

D. S. HARRIMAN, Post 8, Kansas City.

T. B. TUTTLE, Post 16, Carthage.

C. M. MILLER, Post 34, Lamar.

JACOB HOTT, Post 376, Clarksburg.

C. P. WOODRUFF, Post 141, Marionville.

W. F. HENRY, Post 3, Kansas City.

JOHN P. PLATT, Post 33, Kingston.

WM. L. HECKMAN, Post 320, Hermann.

JAMES M. NORRIS, Post 234, Ash Grove.

C. C. DRAPER, Post 48, Lebanon.

HENRY C. SANKEY, Post 128, Salem.

HIRAM SELSOR, Post 426, Hunnewell.

GEO. A. PURDY, Post 187, Pierce City.

JNO. T. BIRDSEYE, Post 26, Nevada.

J. R. HOLLIBAUGH, Post 14, Joplin.

JOHN McCABE, Post 313, Strafford.

S. G. BROCK, Post 23, Macon.

JOHN HOWRY, Post 181, Powersville.

JOHN DALY, Post 382, Commerce.

THOS. ANDERSON, Post 407, Conway.

W. B. HATCHETT, Post 243, Willow Springs.

JOHN H. NEAR, Post 337, Jasper.

J. M. HAWKINS, Post 425, Brumley.

LOUIS BENECKE, Post 268, Brunswick.

Comrade Milner, Post 69, moved that the nineteen receiving the highest number of votes be declared the representatives, and the nineteen receiving the next highest vote be declared the alternates.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Cole: There is a committee from the Woman's Relief Corps at the door asking for admission.

The Department Commander: Sit down, boys. (Laughter.) Comrades Cole, Martin and Moore will receive the ladies and escort them to the platform.

Past Department Commander Cole: Department Commander, I take pleasure in introducing to you the ladies from the Woman's Relief Corps.

The Department Commander: Comrades, I have the pleasure of presenting to you Mrs. Day, chairman of the committee of the Woman's Relief Corps. You will please give her your undivided attention.

Mrs. Day: Comrades, I have the honor of being present with these three other ladies and of presenting to you the greet-

ings of our convention. I have also been requested by a number of ladies to state clearly to these comrades for whom the Home we are all working for is intended. A great many of you think that the Home is only intended for the old soldiers, while we wish you to understand that our intention is to provide for the old wife as well as the old soldier; not only for the old soldier, but the old soldier and his old wife—not young wife (laughter)—that the old wife may not be in the poor house and separated from her husband. Comrades, I am in position to state that thousands of our comrades are being dropped every day from the pension rolls, men that I have known personally from 1860 to 1865; their claims are rejected; they are suspended, and when they claim that they are being reinstated I say here emphatically it is a falsehood; they are not reinstated; but if reinstated on the pension rolls they cannot live on the miserable pittance so grudgingly bestowed by Congress and a Commissioner whom I do not think in sympathy with his fellow-soldiers. Under the laws of Congress our soldiers were to be given thirty days' notice in which to file new evidence to substantiate the claims to pensions before suspension; if the evidence is not in within the expiration of the thirty days they are suspended. This works hardship for the old soldiers, for it puts them to extra labor to secure the new evidence, and they must necessarily incur additional expense, which the Government itself should stand, for except for your services we would have no Government. You have the ballot in your hands, and why don't you make them do justice to the soldier? (Applause.) There are 884 blind pensioners on the Washington rolls; seventy-two of these are credited to the Topeka agency, and these pensioners without a home, while in the South, where they draw up resolutions of gratitude in behalf of the Confederate soldiers, they ought to be glad they are living. (Laughter.) Another thing, you pay tribute to the chivalry of the Confederate soldiers. That is something that I do not believe in; they are Americans, and, of course, they fought bravely, because they are Americans, and just because they may have done desperate fighting I do not believe in monuments to their heroic dead while our soldiers are suffering for the necessaries of life; and as long as any loyal man lives in this country do not let him glorify the deeds and

the fighting of the rebels. (Applause.) Loyalty is at a discount, and the highest offices in the gift of the American people are filled with ex-rebels and copperheads. I have no patience with men that have the ballot in their hands and who place such men in office; and when you give the ballot to the women in this country I am sure no loyal woman will ever vote for a man who either sympathized with or fought on the Confederate side. (Applause.) Now I have brought some ladies here to hold me in check, for really I feel so warm on this subject that I think I would fight till I died. I was one of the women—I was one of the girls—of 1861 that helped to receive the shadowy wrecks from Andersonville and Libby Prison at the Battery in New York, and when I saw those men it was too much for me, and I said “take me home,” and as long as that sight lives in my memory never will I forgive the Confederate soldier for his acts to our prisoners. I will not say any more now, for there are other ladies here who are very anxious to speak to you. (Laughter.) But one thing I want you to bear in mind—just look up the statistics and you will find that the South, from where objections to our pensions come, pays but fifteen millions in taxes, and have gotten it back in sugar bounty and Mexican pensions. (Applause.) I would conclude with the report now from our convention to Charles W.—

The Department Commander: That is not my name. (Laughter.)

Mrs. Day: What is it?

The Department Commander: I don't know. (Laughter.)

Mrs. Day: I will read it as it is here. (A voice: Call him “Dear Charley” and go ahead. Laughter.)

Mrs. Day: (Reads.) “Dear Charley:” (Laughter.) “We have the honor to submit through you to the Thirteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, a statement of the work of the Woman's Relief Corps of this department: Number of corps in good standing, eighty; total membership, 1,981; amount expended for relief, \$2,679.15; number of members assisted, 372; amount expended from department relief fund, \$59.50; number of soldiers assisted, 278.

"I return thanks to the Grand Army of the Republic for kindness extended to the Woman's Relief Corps during the past year, and trust that the same fraternal relations may continue to exist. Sincerely yours, in F., C. and L.,

(Signed)

EMILY F. PARKER."

The Department Commander: I know that Mrs. Parker never called me "Charles W." (Laughter.)

The Department Commander: I take pleasure in introducing to you Mrs. Stiesmeyer.

Mrs. Stiesmeyer: Mrs. Day says that the other members were sent here to talk and were anxious to talk. I will just say that I am the guilty one; I told Mrs. Parker that your Department Commander's initials were "C. W." I am not going to keep you long. I am very glad to come and see you all again. I see that your encampment is as small as our encampment; I suppose hard times and a round-about way accounts for it.

The Department Commander: I now have the pleasure of introducing to you Mrs. Briggs, of Joplin, Senior Vice Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. Briggs: Like the other ladies, I did not come here to make a speech. It is seldom that I can claim the attention of the gentlemen. I am small, but I would like to appeal to the comrades in behalf of the Woman's Relief Corps. One of the ladies has stated that you have a small convention. I have never before seen it, but to me it seems large. Our convention of the Woman's Relief Corps is small, probably one-fifth or one-sixth as large as your convention; it should be twice as large; it should have upon its roll your wives and your daughters. There is no other organization, I believe, that has fundamental principles which will permit women to do so much, or there is no other organization which offers so much to women and through them to their families, and if you will study this I think you will feel just as I do about it; and I appeal to you to consider its importance and try and induce those you are interested in to join it. To the western members I would especially appeal. Our Relief Corps is composed at this time of three-fourths more ladies from the eastern than the western part of the State;

the committee here is composed of three-fourths St. Louis ladies. I would like to have the western members stir themselves and help us out. I heard a little story just before leaving Joplin and I would like to make another appeal through that to the gentlemen in behalf of their wives. An old gentleman was very much distressed because his wife had gone crazy, and he said he did not understand it, as she was a devoted mother and had always stayed at home, and he did not see why she should have gone crazy. Some of you think that is the main duty of a woman. Let me say this, that instead of building Woman's Relief Corps Homes we will have to build insane asylums for your wives if you do not allow them to go from home once in awhile. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: I take pleasure in introducing to you Mrs. Gandolfo.

Mrs. Gandolfo: I do not wish to detain you, but I have a quilt that I want to get rid of, and I hope you gentlemen will help me through with it. It is only 25 cents a chance; the proceeds are to go two-thirds to the Home and one-third to the Woman's Relief Corps. I will bring the quilt over to-morrow, and I will not detain you further this afternoon.

The ladies were then escorted from the Encampment.

The Department Commander: Under the head of miscellaneous business it would be proper to determine where our next Department Encampment will be held. If there are no objections the Encampment will now proceed to the selection of the place.

Comrade Weigel, Post 1: I desire to name the city of Macon, in North Missouri, at which place the comrades will be joyfully received in case they should honor it with the next Encampment. I think it is due to North Missouri on account of two successive Encampments having been held in the southwestern portion of the State, and I hope the comrades will decide to hold our next Department Encampment at that place. (Applause.)

Comrade Henry, Post 3: I desire to second the motion offered by Comrade Weigel that the place for holding our next Department Encampment be at Macon, Mo.

Past Department Commander Cole: As there appears to be no other place suggested at which to hold our next Encampment, I move that Macon be selected as the proper place.

The motion received numerous seconds, and the question, being put to vote, was carried.

The Department Commander: Has any member anything in the way of miscellaneous business to bring before the Encampment?

Comrade McMurphy, Post 23: As a representative of the Macon Post I thank you for voting the next Encampment at our place, and I can assure you that when you get there you will be nicely treated.

The Department Commander: Has any other comrade anything to offer under the head of miscellaneous business? If not we will proceed to the next order of business, "Election of Officers and Delegates to the National Encampment." Nominations are in order for Department Commander.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: Commander and comrades: It has been my pleasure for a number of years to be present at your deliberations, and I have never made a request of you, I believe, before to-day. I am very glad that when officers are to be nominated and elected there is no animosity. Every one of these honorable men is eminently fitted to perform all the duties he may be called upon to perform, and it is simply a selection between worthy and capable comrades, and so, Commander, we depreciate no man when we meet to present the name of a comrade for Commander. We wish that to be understood, and we can but rejoice at the thought that such an honorable body of men are permitted to sit here as comrades and work for the common advancement and best interests of our order. Some years ago that noble hero and chieftain of our army, Uncle Billy Sherman (applause), called a few comrades around him and said, "Boys, let us organize a Post." They did so, and they gave that noble man, the hero of so many battle fields, who has gone to the camping grounds above, the privilege of naming the Post; he called it "Ransom Post." The Ransom boys have been with you all these years with Uncle Billy at their head until he was called above. The Ransom boys have never asked anything of you, but this year they do

propose to ask that you consider the claim of one of their members for this office. This comrade whose name I shall mention is a comrade familiar with the terrible scenes of war. He was at the front, among the very first who stood upon the battle field in the very front line. After many campaigns had been gone through and victory won, when his men were all cut down around him at the works at Atlanta, he was taken prisoner and held during that night and for several days following, when he resolved that he would not die a prisoner in Andersonville without making a desperate effort for liberty, and while en route to Andersonville he eluded the vigilance of the rebel guards and got away. He was in the woods of Georgia for a length of time, some forty miles within the Confederate lines. When he had regained a point almost back to our lines he was recaptured by two men in gray, who took his old gun from him while he lay exhausted and asleep and then walked a few paces away, and, then approaching this comrade, one of his cowardly captors in rebel uniform said: "If you have any prayers to offer you had better be offering them; you have but three minutes in which you can say your prayers." When he heard that, comrades, he thought: "Shall I stay here disarmed and be shot like a dog, or die like a man in an effort to escape?" and at this he sprang off, and upon reaching a few paces away received a bullet and fell, and, up again and off, and almost miraculously eluded the vigilance and bloody purpose of these two rebel captors. And he carries the terrible wound made by that bullet to-day. The true, loyal and noble man he was then, with the same loyal spirit of devotion, he walked up and helped to organize this Ransom Post, and has been an honored member of Ransom Post ever since. And now, in the name of St. Louis—and we have a number of good men there—and of Ransom Post, but you all know Comrade George W. Bailey (applause), and you will know more of him in the future. Modest and retiring, he has not authorized himself to be put forward here. You have not heard from him, not one of you, on this subject. He does not put himself forward. The solid delegation of Ransom Post does that.

His Post has put him forward on his merits, on his worth, and, if you will excuse me—I don't know how far guardian

spirits have to do with this world—but if “Uncle Billy” were to look down upon us to-day and listen to the presentation of his name I fancy he would say: “Comrade Bailey is a good boy, a true and faithful comrade and he will serve you well.” I imagine he would say so. We have a noble man in the chair now, and I don’t know how the Department can keep up with Commander Burton unless it is by putting Comrade George W. Bailey on his track, and he will see that the line of succession is kept up. I will not weary you, but I ask you, comrades, now, and I do not know as I shall ever make another request of you. I am a little modest, and you have not seen very much of me lately, to consider the claims of Ransom Post and Comrade Bailey for Commander, and I guarantee that at the end of the year he will have worthily followed in the footsteps of the present Commander and will return the office with honor to his successor. (Applause.)

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: I have listened with very great interest, indeed, to the remarks of the distinguished comrade who has just sat down, and would not detract from anything he has said touching the comrade whom he has nominated for the position of Commander of this Department. But as my mind reverts to the stormy scenes of 1861, in Missouri, there come before me now acts and incidents which I am not able to master, but which leads me along a certain line of thought in which I see a boy with almost flaxen hair, a boy of seventeen, all alone, by his love of the old flag, enter the ranks of his country’s defenders; I see him go out from his home, buckle on his knapsack, take his musket on his shoulder and go to the front under that old hero, A. J. Smith. He stayed at the front for three long years, and returned to his home mustered out of the service, and was one of the first to enter the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Missouri. Then he has as big a heart, as broad a soul, as honorable and generous in his conduct as a member of the Grand Army of the Republic as there is in the Department of Missouri; and a man whose name I am proud to mention in this Department of Missouri, and I now nominate Comrade Louis Grund, of Hassendeubel Post No. 13, Department of Missouri, for Department Commander. (Applause.)

Comrade Bronson, Post 53: Department Commander and comrades of the Department of Missouri. While listening to the sublime talk; while listening to the beautiful words of eulogy, my heart has been palpitating because I was asked to stand before you to perform not only a duty, but the pleasant duty of presenting to you a candidate to be nominated, and elected if possible, as Department Commander of this grand and noble Department. You have never met me upon the floor or the rostrum; I am not a public speaker, that is not my business; I practice instead of preach. But I have been acquainted with this comrade for twenty odd years and have found him to be a man good and true to every obligation as a citizen and a comrade; and by history he has proved himself to be a man worthy of all confidence; and a man who stood up for the old flag in 1861. We have various gauges, narrow gauges, standard gauges, and broad gauges; now the man that I shall present to you is not a narrow gauge man; he must be a standard gauge in one respect and a broad gauge in another; a standard gauge in this way: In 1894, only a few days ago he was elected by an overwhelming majority as one of the officials in our little city; he is a broad gauge man for this reason. His name is throughout the world; his name is Smith (laughter and applause), Comrade E. J. Smith of Post 53, Sedalia, Missouri; I do not need to introduce him to you, this Department knows Comrade Smith; the soldiers of central Missouri know Comrade Smith. Why? Simply because he has proved himself to be a comrade from first to last, and all the time. He enlisted as a boy and buckled on his sabre the fourth day after the first call for 75,000 men to defend this flag; he would have enlisted on the first day but he was away from home and he had to come home and get the permission of his parents; he served his country faithfully, and longer than most of us, serving four years and seven months in the defense of his country, and not only served faithfully as a soldier, but he received wounds as a soldier the same as others—at Wyoneta he received a sabre wound the scar of which he carries to-day. He is an enthusiastic Grand Army man, as you all have reason to know. He was a charter member of our Post, and his name heads the list of our Post to-day, and he has been a faithful

member all these years; he has served you as Junior Vice Department Commander five or six years ago, and we have felt since that time that he should not have been turned down then, and we desire now to elevate him to the position of Department Commander. When the National Encampment will convene in September, what can you do better than to honor this comrade by sending him there at the head of this grand old Department to acknowledge the congratulations of his own friends and relatives of Pittsburg. Another reason why we should give him this position, at Sedalia this year we have the Sons of Veterans with us; we have promised, and are arranging, to entertain them royally; we have sent letters of invitation throughout the entire State, inviting them to come and be with us, and I want to take this opportunity now, Commander, to invite every member of the Grand Army of the Republic to be there with us, and you know you will be treated royally. But how could we honor him better than to have him at the head of this Department when our Sons meet in our city in June. Commander and comrades, the reason why I have asked this, why Sedalia asks this, why Central Missouri asks this, there has never been a Department Commander from that region of the State yet. We have had Commanders from the north, from the south, from the east and from the west of us, but Central Missouri has never received that honor; therefore we ask that you give us a Commander from Central Missouri, near the center of the State, and honor us and our comrade, E. J. Smith. (Applause.)

Past Department Commander Cole: I desire to second the nomination of Comrade George W. Bailey. Comrade Bailey, as a boy, enlisted in the Sixth Connecticut Infantry, and after a service of fifteen months he was promoted to a Lieutenancy in the Sixth Missouri. Now, comrades, an officer in the Sixth Missouri certainly deserves honor from all old soldiers. You all know the regiment, that grand old regiment known in every army that it ever served in. I have known Comrade Bailey since the war and know him to be a man eminently fitted for the position. His Post has unanimously asked for him and I desire to second his nomination for the position of Department Commander. (Applause.)

Comrade Pachall, Post 1: In behalf of the representatives of Frank P. Blair Post No. 1 I take pleasure in seconding the nomination of Hassendeubel Post No. 13. (Applause.) Commander, we believe this is the right thing to do for various reasons. First, Hassendeubel Post is one of the largest Posts in the Department of Missouri; I believe she ranks second only; she has always been faithful, always been true, has always sent large and intelligent delegations to our State and National Encampments, and if there is a Post within the Department of Missouri that deserves recognition, that deserves to be honored by this body, it is Hassendeubel Post No. 13. (Applause.) Commander, the comrade nominated by that Post, or at the request of that Post, is not only competent to fill the position to which he aspires, but he is a gentleman all over, a royal, good, whole-souled fellow, and it will be a recognition of the element in the Department of this State that stood solid to the front and saved Missouri for the Union, and to-day we ought to recognize it by elevating Louis Grund to the Commandership of this Department. (Applause.)

Comrade Cook, Post 131: Commander and comrades: I will not detain you but a few minutes with what I have to say, and with a few plain, practical business words I want to tell you what the claims of Ransom Post are, simply the words of a man from the ranks. Ten years ago, when Ransom Post came into the Grand Army of the Republic as an organization and took the touch of the elbow with the comrades of Missouri, what did we find the Department of Missouri to be at that time as an organized body? The Department of Missouri was the tail end of everything as a Department, as an organized body, but to-day it is at the head of the column of the grand bodies of the United States. Now, comrades, I will not reflect one word or one atom from what other Posts have done, but I claim that to Ransom Post, with Uncle Billy Sherman at its head, this Department owes much of its present standing in this Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.)

The truth is that when we came into this Department the Department was not uniformed, and it was not organized as a formal body in any sense of the word. Anyone who attended the Department Encampments up to that time knows that to be

a fact. The first meeting of the Post, through Comrade Sherman as Commander, was conducted with the view of bringing influence to bear to bring the Grand Army of Missouri to the front. Ransom Post adopted a uniform and made it obligatory on all to uniform. We attended the first Department Encampment of the State thoroughly uniformed. Since that time the whole object of Ransom Post has been to build up this Department and to place it in the National Encampment at the head of the column, and not at the tail end, and I do say that to no Post in this State does this Grand Army owe more than to Ransom Post. We have come to you for ten years in succession for proper recognition. We have supported the candidates of other Posts for officers and Commanders for ten years without asking anything. It is true you have given us delegates to the National Encampment. The time has come when we claim that we are entitled to more than that; we are entitled to be represented at the head of this Department. So much for the claims of Ransom Post. I do not detract, mind you, from other Posts; they have followed up the line that Ransom Post marked out eight or ten years ago and have got right into line. Blair Post has stood nobly by Ransom Post; we have stood together in the National Encampment, and Hassendeubel Post has done the same, until the whole Department is now a body in condition to assume its proper place at the head of the column. There are two other facts in this matter that must be regarded: First, the claims of the candidates we have presented; it does seem unnecessary, to say the least, to advance these claims by flowery speeches, bristling with assertions that almost carry you off your feet. We should rather keep in view and decide what is for the best interests of this Department. We came here without having made any canvass; we have not canvassed either one of the Posts, even in St. Louis; we have not gone through the State canvassing, but have simply come here and presented our candidate, and say here is the place and here is our candidate, not making it a political pull, but have come here willing to take our chances on a failure. All we want is fair treatment, and I think you will give us that. Now, what are the qualifications of the parties before us? You knew Comrade Bailey as Judge Advocate; you knew him in the years gone

by; you have known him in the National Encampment, a man that can represent Missouri and bring honor to it; a man capable of representing this Department, and any other Department, with credit to himself and credit to your body. (Applause.) With this record we bring to you an equally good soldier's record; no better can be found anywhere in the Grand Army of the Republic; his history would read something like a romance; in fact, if you were to read that history you would think it was a romance. I will not tell you what that history is, but will give you an idea of its nature. He enlisted in the Sixth Connecticut Infantry in August, 1861, as a private; went to Washington, thence to Fortress Monroe, from there to Port Royal, South Carolina, and there assisted in the capture of those two big forts, Walker and Beauregard.

After a service of nearly sixteen months as a private in the the Sixth Connecticut Infantry he was promoted to Second Lieutenant of the Sixth Missouri Infantry, then before Vicksburg. After the charges on Vicksburg he was promoted, in recognition of his fidelity, to First Lieutenant of his company, and after that was made Captain in the Sixth Missouri Infantry of the same company. We find him ever afterwards with the gallant old Army of the Tennessee and in the Fifteenth Corps. He was in all the bloody battles around Vicksburg continuously, in command of his company, though slightly wounded, and when the boys marched into Vicksburg and run up the Stars and Stripes you remember one rebel flag that floated from the court house. George W. Bailey was one of the boys that went in and helped to take it down.

After Vicksburg he participated with his regiment in the entire campaign about Chattanooga and the march to Knoxville to relieve Burnside, and all the battles in the Atlanta campaign in which the Fifteenth Corps engaged, and all the movements backward and forward; was twice wounded on the field of battle; was captured by the rebels at the battle of Atlanta, and after remaining for four days in the hands of the rebels he escaped, and for several weeks he passed through such experiences and dangers and hardships as you will only find in the leaves of novels. He has received honorable recognition by the Government, and his superior officers all recog-

nized him as one of the bravest of the brave. What has been his record since that time? We have had the hydra-headed monster rebellion to meet right here in this State; we have it to meet here now, and through all this storm of rebellious sentiment Comrade Bailey has always been the champion of patriotism and of the old flag and the Grand Army of the Republic. Comrade Bailey stands high at the bar of St. Louis as a lawyer, and is honored in the community as a man of recognized ability. He is a man who would serve you as Commander with ability and one whom we would recognize with pride, and one with whom we can safely trust our interests.

I say to you right here that we make our canvass on this floor; we do not go outside of this floor to make it. All we want is a straight and fair deal, and we are willing to abide by your decision. Our comrade is equal to any comrade we have put before this Encampment as your Commander, and, as no word can be said against him, I say we are entitled to the honor. (Applause.)

Comrade Woodruff, Post 141: I do not intend to make a speech, comrades, for three reasons. The first is, I have the grippe; the second is, I am not a preacher, and the third is, I am not a lawyer. I find myself in the same condition to-day that the war Governor of Iowa was in 1861; he said there was not a man that was going from the State of Iowa but what was competent to command a regiment or be a General. We are in the same condition, comrades, to-day. I take it that there is not a man in the Grand Army of the Republic but what is competent to fill any office. The nomination that I wish to second is of a man that enlisted in 1861 in a regiment that was said to be among the first in and the last out. That regiment was mustered into the United States service in July, 1861, and was mustered out in February, 1866, and the comrade whose nomination I wish to second was in the service during all these years, not all the time in that regiment, because he was promoted to another regiment. He is eminently qualified for this position, and we are not here begging the question in any manner. We simply wish to say in asking your votes that Comrade E. J. Smith (applause) will give you satisfaction.

Comrade Haynie, Post 329: I am like the other comrade—I cannot make a speech, I am no preacher and not much of a lawyer; but, comrades, I want to say this, that both Ransom Post and Hassendeubel Post have put forward noble comrades and competent men, but as there seems to be some disagreement as to the support of these comrades the only way out of it, it seems to me, is to go up to Sedalia and elect Comrade E. J. Smith. (Applause.) No man has got any right to lay any claim or any mortgage upon this Encampment in the name of Billy Sherman; I don't think they ought to do that. Billy Sherman's is a name that stands just a little higher in Missouri than any name I know of, and he was a member of Ransom Post, and Ransom Post has done much for this Department, but we all have a claim on Billy Sherman, and Hassendeubel Post among us, with 700 members and a great big man—Louis Grund—at the head of it. And I say, comrades, every man of us, every American, every Dutchman, from everywhere on earth, let us settle it by electing Comrade E. J. Smith. (Applause.)

Comrade Becker, Post 13: As a representative of my Post I desire to say that I am not an orator or a preacher. I came here from a regiment of 700 solid Dutch; and who saved the State of Missouri if it had been for the Dutch of St. Louis? (Applause.) Commander, we were not fortunate enough to have a general in our Post; we have never had one up to this time, but our Post has consisted of good, true and honest old defenders of that flag. (Applause.) If Ransom Post claims the Department Commander, very good; I say let them have one, but not this time. (Applause.) We desire—and I am instructed by my Post by a solid vote of 700—we are sent here to ask of you, comrades, the honor of taking the Commander of the Department of Missouri to St. Louis. We do not claim for the City of St. Louis alone the Department Commander; we claim the Department Commander for the State of Missouri for each and every one of you, comrades, a man who will represent the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic. Commander, it is not necessary for me to say anything about the merits of my comrade, Louis Grund. He has been elected Post Commander for two terms in a Post where there are 700 members, and it is pretty hard to get there, I can tell you. He

has worked for our Post ever since he has been a member with all his might, and he has worked for the Grand Army of the Republic just as hard, and I think that every one of you for the last ten years have seen him in every State Encampment, Department of Missouri. I will not consume your time by going into his military record. He served his full time and helped fight the battles of his country; was all through the war. In behalf of my Post, comrades, we just leave it in your hands, and as you may decide we will go home satisfied, even if we have to go home and tell our 700 Dutch we are beat. But I believe you will give us Louis Grund for our next Department Commander. (Applause.)

Comrade Bieger, Post 496: It is very true what Comrade Becker has said about the 700 Dutch, but there is not the 700 Dutch alone, comrades, which Comrade Grund has helped to organize. I was a member of Hassendeubel Post for seven long years. I have been in this Encampment every time since we organized in this State and have never before come before this Encampment to ask for anything, and I do not personally want anything, but I want to say a few words in behalf of my comrade, Louis Grund, who has sat side by side with me and several of the comrades here for three years. Several years ago, when Col. Hassendeubel Post was getting too strong, Comrades Grund and Becker and several more of those comrades just simply said: "You will have to branch off and go below and help organize some comrades in the southern part of the city," and we have done so and organized the Col. Meumann Post, and we are to-day, you might say, one Post. They are 700, and we have 167, I believe; that makes 867. Now, Comrade Grund has helped to do this, and I don't know that there is a comrade on this floor that has done more for the Grand Army of the Republic of Missouri than Comrade Grund has. Comrade Bailey is a personal friend of mine, but we have promised Comrade Grund, all the comrades here, to support him as Department Commander, and I hope and trust that you will vote for him, and I know Col. Meumann Post will support him. I do not think that either Col. Meumann or Col. Hassendeubel Posts will ever come here again and ask for this position. It is very true that we cannot all be lawyers, as some of the comrades are, but

I do not think it is necessary to be a lawyer in order to be Department Commander. I do not see why a bricklayer or a man that breaks rocks cannot just as well be a Department Commander, and if Comrade Grund wants to make a speech what is the matter with comrades from Ransom Post, or Comrade Rassieur, getting up here and making the speech? (Laughter.) Comrade Grund has long been Commander of Hassendeubel Post, and if he is able to handle 700 Dutchmen for three years (laughter), I do not see why he cannot handle these men for three days as presiding officer. I hope you will favor Meumann and Hassendeubel Posts just for once by electing Comrade Grund as your Department Commander, and you will never regret it as long as you live, not one of you. (Applause.)

Comrade Smith, Post 131: I am here to-day as I was in 1861, a volunteer. I am not on the programme, but I want to say a few words. I am not sitting here as a representative of Ransom Post alone, although I am a member of that Post, but I am sitting here as a delegate to the Department Encampment of Missouri and am acting as a delegate of the Department Encampment. I rejoice to hear comrades stand up for their own Posts, next to the Grand Army itself; but, comrades, that is not alone what we are here for, to hold up this Post, or that Post, or the other; we are here as representatives in the Department Encampment. My action here to-day affects not only my own Post, but the Department of Missouri. Now, I want to say to you, for one, that I am proud of the Department of Missouri. I have seen that Department at the National Encampments at Washington, at Boston and at Detroit, and I say that we have opened the eyes of our Eastern friends. Why, some of those men said to us at Boston: "What! are you fellows from Missouri? We thought they were all wild and woolly out there." (Laughter.) Now, what has made the Department of Missouri what it is? Careful and wise selection of our Department Commanders. Look at our list of Department Commanders. They are members of the National Encampment; they have given character to the Department of Missouri as well as its Grand Army Posts, and there are some as good Posts in this Department as there are in the nation. The Department Commander reaches beyond the three days here; he

is a life member of the National Encampment. I ask you not to vote here as members of this, or that, or the other Post, but to vote here to-day as members of the Department Encampment and in the interests of the entire Department of Missouri, and take the best man. That is all we ask; if you think you know who he is, take him, but do not take him simply because he is a member of this, or that, or the other Post, but because he is a fit man in every respect to be Department Commander of this great Department, and for all time, as long as he lives, to be a member of the National Encampment. Now, sir, we want a man who can line up with Warner, and Burton, and Martin, and Cole, and Whitehead, and Rassieur, and the other Past Commanders of the Department of Missouri. We present you here to-day, we think, we know, a man who can rank with them anywhere, and that is saying a good deal, because the Department of Missouri is better known in the National Encampment by the high character of our Department Commanders than by our Grand Army Posts. We say that Comrade George W. Bailey is that kind of a man, and we hope you will take him for your Department Commander this year. (Applause.)

Comrade Bensiak, Post 2: We have heard speeches long enough, and in behalf of Gen. Lyon Post No. 2, we second the nomination of Louis Grund. (Applause.)

On motion the nominations were closed and the Encampment proceeded to ballot for Department Commander. The following comrades were appointed as tellers: J. W. Scott, Post 5; W. G. Hills, Post 131; James R. Milner, Post 69; V. J. Mathews, Post 1.

The Department Commander: While the tellers are counting the votes for Department Commander we will now proceed to nominations for Senior Vice Department Commander.

On motion nominating speeches were limited to two minutes.

Past Department Commander Rassieur: I do not think that in a matter of election to a high office in this Department the matter of service ought to be of much moment; because a man, unless he had served his Country honorably, could not be a member of the Grand Army of the Republic; they have all done as much as they could, but some have more time, and

more capacity; and all we need for the Grand Army is a man that is competent, and one who will faithfully do what is entrusted to him; and in this connection I would present the name of Comrade Louis Fischer of Post 128. He has been Inspector of this Department and has always been an active worker, and I ask therefore that you elect him to the position of Senior Vice Department Commander. (Applause.)

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: I second the nomination of Comrade Fischer. I can testify to his fidelity and to the painstaking of that comrade, and I second the nomination with all my heart.

On motion nominations were closed, the rules suspended, and the Assistant Adjutant General was directed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Louis Fischer as Senior Vice Department Commander.

The Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot as directed and Louis Fischer was declared duly elected as Senior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Fischer, being called on, responded as follows: Comrades, I cannot make a speech, I can only thank you from the bottom of my heart for the honor you have conferred upon me. What I have done has been done cheerfully, and without reservation, and I shall do what I can, in the future, for the good of the Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: We will now proceed to the election of Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Moore, Post 48: I believe it has been usual in the Grand Army of the Republic that where the Encampment is held they are entitled to the Junior Vice Department Commander; and with that explanation, I put in nomination for that position Comrade C. W. Rubey of Post 48. (Applause.)

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: I desire to say, in seconding the nomination of Comrade C. W. Rubey, that we knew him well thirty years ago, we were in the service together and associated very much at that time, and I want to say that there is no man in the State more deserving of the position than is Comrade Rubey; and according to the custom that I believe has been universally adopted, as has been suggested by the comrade who placed Comrade Rubey in nomination, I move that nominations

close, that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Rubey for Junior Vice Department Commander.

The motion was seconded, put to vote and carried; whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot as directed, and Comrade C. W. Rubey was declared duly elected as Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Rubey, being called for, thanked the comrades for the honor conferred upon him and upon Post 48 of Lebanon, and expressed the hope that he would meet them all a year hence, at our Annual Encampment, at Macon.

The Department Commander: We will now proceed to the nomination of Medical Director.

Comrade McClure, Post 1: I desire to put in nomination a man who served in the Fifth New Hampshire Regiment during the war. He enlisted in that regiment early in 1861, served during the entire war, and was mustered out when the war closed, as a Lieutenant. That was one of the regiments that had the largest loss of any regiment in the army. After the war he studied his profession and is counted one of the eminent members of that profession in the central part of the State. His name is Ira T. Bronson, of Post 53, Sedalia. (Applause.)

Past Department Commander Cole moved that nominations close, that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Ira T. Bronson for Medical Director.

The motion was carried and the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of the Encampment as directed, and Comrade Ira T. Bronson was declared duly elected Medical Director for the ensuing year.

Comrade Bronson, being called on, responded as follows: It is really an honor that I never thought of, yet I consider it an honor. It is a great honor to be an officer in the Grand Army of the Republic in any capacity. It is an honor to be a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. I thank you. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: We now approach the most serious work that we encounter during our two days session; you will please now make your nominations for Chaplain, but do it carefully. (Laughter.)

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: In behalf of Post 69, of Springfield, Missouri, I desire to nominate for the second term, for the office of Chaplain in the Department the gentleman who has served us so excellently for one year, and who I am sure has the respect and esteem of every comrade in the Department; a man who is one of our most active, earnest, and enterprising citizens as well as one of our most loyal members of the Grand Army of the Republic, of Missouri. I nominate Comrade W. C. Calland, of Post 69, Springfield, Missouri. (Applause.)

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: I am very glad that you appreciate the solemnity of the situation; for I have gone through the mill, and I think that any man that can pass through a year of associations with these men without contamination deserves a second term. (Laughter.) That Col. Tracy is so solicitous for that man is the only suspicious thing in my mind, but I most heartily second the nomination, and would move that the rules be suspended, and that the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Calland for Chaplain.

The motion was carried and the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot as directed, and Comrade W. C. Calland was declared duly elected as Chaplain for the ensuing year.

Comrade Calland, being called for, responded: Commander and comrades of the Grand Army, I thank you for this mark of confidence that you have shown towards me, and I promise to pray for you, and to keep you in mind daily. Yesterday, as we gave our attention to the work of the Council of Administration, we, among other things, considered the annual address of the Department Commander; and some parts of that address attracted our attention very much, especially that portion in which he refers to the early days of 1861-2, when we marched through the streets of this city "and the drum echoed among her adjacent hills and the overlooking mountains." And when we came out from the hotel and looked around over the level tract of country the Commander said "boys, where in the devil are those mountains." (Laughter.)

Comrade Hagerty: Did you reprove the Commander? (Laughter.)

Comrade Calland: I did, sir.

The Department Commander: We will now proceed to the election of a Council of Administration; and let me say this: we frequently elect comrades upon the Council of Administration unmindful of what their duties are. Now, of the five that were elected a year ago, three of them never attended a meeting; and one that was elected two years ago and re-elected last year has never yet attended a meeting. Now, be careful and give your Commander and yourselves the benefit of the good judgment and wisdom of five good comrades,—five comrades of good executive ability. We will now proceed to the nominations.

Past Department Commander Rassieur: I will nominate a comrade, because I know of him that he has never failed in any duty that was entrusted to him by his Post. If duty called him to the Grand Army I believe he would perform that duty even to the neglect of his own private business. The comrade I nominate is Adam Fisher of Frank P. Blair Post No. 1.

Comrades W. H. Skinner, Post 124; Jno. P. Tracy, Post 69; H. A. Hammel, Post 1 and N. W. Taylor, Post 131 were placed in nomination.

It was moved that nominations close, that the rules be suspended, and the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to cast the vote of the Encampment for the five comrades nominated.

The motion was carried, the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of the Encampment as directed for the following named comrades to constitute the Council of Administration, and they were declared elected:

Adam Fisher, Post 1; W. H. Skinner, Post 124; Jno. P. Tracy, Post 69; H. A. Hammel, Post 1 and N. W. Taylor, Post 131.

The Department Commander: The tellers report the following as the result of the ballot for Department Commander:

Total vote cast, 273; necessary to a choice, 137; of which Comrade George W. Bailey received 45, Comrade E. J. Smith 92, and Comrade Louis Grund 136 votes. No comrade having received a majority of the votes cast, the Encampment will proceed to another ballot.

Past Department Commander Cole: It is now six o'clock and as some of the committees have work to do I move that we adjourn.

The motion to adjourn was put to vote and lost.

Comrade Cook, Post 131: You will see by the ballot that has just been cast that Comrade Bailey, of Ransom Post, has received the smallest number of votes on the list; I therefore withdraw the name of Comrade Bailey.

The Encampment then proceeded to a second ballot for Department Commander, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

The Department Commander: It is but proper that we return the greetings that were given by the ladies of the Relief Corps, and I will exercise the prerogative of appointing Comrades J. B. Pachall, Post 1; J. G. Zimmerer, Post 13 and D. S. Harriman, Post 8, a committee of three to wait upon the Woman's Relief Corps, and convey to them the greetings of this Encampment. Do not stand on the order of your going, but go early in the morning. (Laughter.)

Comrade Moore, Post 48: I move that we favor Louisville with our support as the place for holding our 1895 National Encampment.

Comrade Conners, Post 131, moved to lay the motion on the table, which motion was seconded, put to vote and lost.

The Department Commander: The question is that our delegates to the National Encampment be instructed to cast the vote of this Department for Louisville, Ky. Are you ready for the question?

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: It does seem to me that we should not be so hasty with our instructions, but rather return our greetings in a manner which will be polite and decorous to the friends that invite us. Now, if we instruct our comrades to take this under favorable consideration, it leaves them in a position to go and see, and are not bound. I think you ought to let the delegates exercise their judgment, and we can say that we will recommend it to their favorable consideration.

Past Department Commander Rassieur: I desire to endorse what Comrade Hagerty has said. I believe, however, that as three places are named for the next Encampment, St. Paul,

which has had it before ; Atlanta, which is so far South we probably would not receive such welcome as we would at Louisville, and Louisville, a border city, that promises to entertain the Grand Army hospitably, and which has facilities to so entertain us ; and as we have received greetings from Louisville let us return the greetings in the following resolution: "Resolved, that it is the sense of this Encampment under present conditions that the National delegates of this Department should vote for Louisville as the place for holding the National Encampment of 1895."

Comrade Moore: I will accept that.

Comrade Rassieur: Now, if there should be any reason for not going to Louisville—want of railroad facilities, or for any other good reason, the delegates will be in condition to act as circumstances may require.

Comrade Boucher, Post 118: I would state that I hope the Encampment will carry out the directions as suggested by Comrade Rassieur ; I feel kindly towards Kentucky, but his suggestion leaves the matter of location in such shape that we can do just as we please. Of course we can go there, but I do not want to be forced to go there.

The Department Commander: All of you who are in favor of Comrade Moore's motion, as amended by Comrade Rassieur, to this effect, that it is the sense of this Encampment that our delegates should vote for Louisville, if they want to—you who are in favor of that, with the construction I have put upon it, say aye.

On being put to vote the motion was carried.

The Kansas City quartette was called upon and sang "The flag."

The Department Commander: I have a telegram from Kansas City, Mo., which I will read:

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 11, 1894.

To Chas. G. Burton, Dep't-Commander, G. A. R., Lebanon, Mo.:

Am unavoidably prevented from attending the Encampment. Present my kindest regards to the boys. WM. WARNER.

The Department Commander: The second ballot for Department Commander has resulted as follows:

Whole number of votes cast 276; necessary to a choice 138; of which Comrade E. J. Smith received 131; and Comrade Louis Grund received 145 votes. I therefore declare Comrade Louis Grund elected Department Commander for the ensuing year.

On motion of Comrade Bronson, Post 53, the election of Comrade Grund as Department Commander was made unanimous by a rising vote.

The Department Commander: I take pleasure in introducing to you my successor. He is not nearly as handsome a fellow as I am (laughter). but I am satisfied that he is as good a Grand Army man as ever pinned a Grand Army badge on his breast. (Applause.)

Comrade Grund: Commander and comrades: You have been informed by comrades here present that I was not much of a speaker. Now, comrades, let me first, with a few words, thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me in electing me as your Department Commander. Let me thank you in the name of Hassendeubel Post No. 13, of St. Louis, whose member I have been for ten years, for the honor you have conferred upon that Post in electing me as Commander of this Department. I am in the further position, as you have seen in this report of our present Commander, that I, as one, am not able to do anything. I could not fill this position by myself. Nor has there been anyone in a position of this kind who could; take the President of the United States; take George Washington; take Abraham Lincoln; take Garfield; take any position in our Government; they themselves could not work unless they had some council with them. You, by your votes to-day, have elected Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders, and the other officers, and also your Council of Administration. And, comrades, it requires every man that has been elected to stand by me; it requires that each and every one of you here will stand by me and all the officers that you have elected to-day; that you go home to your Posts and see that every member of the Grand Army of the State of Missouri stands by us, and I guarantee you that in the end, when we meet at Macon, you

will say that the officers you have elected to-day have done well. (Applause.) Comrades, when I went into the army in 1862—I tried to go in 1861 and they sent me home—I was quite young, and was not ambitious; I was offered promotions several times, but I refused, said I wanted to stay with the boys. Comrades, right here I will say it was through me that many times the muster rolls would not have been made out if it had not been for the assistance of this right hand of mine. Now, comrades, that shows that for my services in the company I was entitled to more. And I want to say that my heart is as true as any man's, that could stand before you to-day and talk to you five hours, as far as the Grand Army of the Republic is concerned. And I hope, comrades, that with your assistance, and the assistance of the officers elected with me, that I will be able to carry that banner in the next twelve months to come, to the satisfaction of the grand old State of Missouri; and when we go to Pittsburgh I am satisfied that if you will go along and follow me, that I will be happy to lead you; and that when we come home that the same will be said of us as heretofore—"grand old Missouri, she has showed up well." Comrades, let me say to you once more that I hope with your aid that my administration during the coming twelve months will be successful. I thank you. (Applause.)

On motion the Encampment adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M., April 12.

MORNING SESSION, THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1894.

The Encampment was called to order by the Department Commander at 9 o'clock A. M., and opened with prayer by Chaplain Calland.

The Department Commander: I have received the following telegram:

ST. PAUL, MINN., April 11, 1894.

To Department Commander, Grand Army Republic, Lebanon, Mo.:

St. Paul extends greetings and invites the Boys in Blue to pitch their tents here in National Encampment in 1895.

THE COMMERCIAL CLUB,

C. D. PARKER, *Chairman.*

Comrade Hagerty: I move you, sir, that the Assistant Adjutant General be authorized to acknowledge receipt of that telegram, and that we instruct our delegates to give favorable consideration to St. Paul. I do this, sir, without any purpose of influencing your action as to the place to hold our National Encampment in 1895, but I think it is the part of gentlemen, and true comradeship, to acknowledge it, and give it favorable consideration.

Seconded.

Comrade Rassieur: I rise to a point of order, that this motion cannot be considered without reconsideration of the motion passed yesterday.

The Department Commander: As to that part of the motion, instructing the delegates, the Department Commander is of the opinion that it is out of order. So much of it as instructs the Adjutant to extend our thanks is in order. Will the comrade divide his motion?

Comrade Hagerty: If a gentleman should offer me two apples—

The Department Commander: You would take them both. (Laughter.)

Comrade Hagerty: A man places himself in a very critical condition when he comes in contact with a retiring Commander of the Department of Missouri. I may say this, comrades, that upon authority of One greater than the speaker, "a man cannot serve two masters," and he cannot have two apples when his

choice is given him; and all I propose in that resolution is to give it favorable consideration.

The Department Commander: I think anything in that shape would be out of order. The chair regrets that it is necessary for him to correct the theology of the Chaplain. There are a great many men who do serve two masters; but do not serve either of them well; and there are a great many men that would make a small matter not only of two, but of two dozen apples. (Laughter.)

Comrade Henry: From what has been said it seems to me that we did not understand the question last night, and I therefore move for a reconsideration of the vote. My reason for making this motion is, I understood that the delegates from this Department were left absolutely, or practically, uninstructed; and if that is not so, I desire a reconsideration of the motion.

The motion to reconsider was seconded.

The Department Commander: Comrade Rassieur's motion you will remember was this: That it was the sentiment of this Encampment that the delegates ought to vote for Louisville, not an absolutely iron clad instruction, but from the present status of this Encampment it was the sentiment that if the same condition of affairs remains as it is now, that they ought to vote for Louisville. I think the motion is perfectly proper to reconsider, and that has been seconded.

Comrade Moore: Commander and comrades, I want to call the attention of the comrades to the fact that the telegram that has been read here does not come from a body of the Grand Army of the Republic, as that that came from Kentucky; it comes—and I have nothing to say against the body—from the Commercial Club of St. Paul, asking us to give them the place for our next National Encampment. You do not know what that Commercial Club represents; but when you received yesterday, the telegram which I believe is signed by the Commander of the Department of Kentucky, asking this Encampment here to say that we would come to Louisville—that is a practical proposition that was offered yesterday, and I hope that this Encampment will not now vote to reconsider the proposition that was carried yesterday in a body of members here almost double what it is here this morning.

Comrade Rassieur: Probably what I shall say will be in the line of your suggestion. While I agree with the views of my comrade, I also agree with Comrade Henry in opening the doors wide and expressing our views; and if, to-day, in this smaller body we cannot have the same expression, let there be another expression; therefore I hope that those who voted for the resolution of yesterday will vote to reconsider and open the door for new discussion.

Comrade Henry: The reason for making this motion to reconsider was not because I am opposed to the sense of this Department having been expressed yesterday in favor of Louisville, and it is not because I am in favor of St. Paul, but under the statement of the question yesterday I understood that the delegates to this Encampment were to be left practically uninstructed; but under the ruling of the Department Commander, if we are instructed by the action of this Encampment yesterday so that we cannot consider any other place than Louisville, we ought now to know it, and if we are not so instructed we ought to know that.

Comrade Martin: The conditions to-day are just exactly the same as yesterday; there have been no changes; and without change in the conditions I do not believe that the Department of Missouri is going to change from what it was yesterday.

The motion to reconsider was then put to vote and lost.

On motion of Comrade Hagerty the Assistant Adjutant General was instructed to acknowledge receipt of the telegram and extend the thanks of this Department for the courtesy.

A comrade: I rise for information; I want to know if it is the ruling of the chair that the delegates elected here to-day are instructed to cast their vote for Louisville.

The Department Commander: My understanding of it is, that it is the sense of this convention that the delegates to the National Encampment at Pittsburgh shall vote for Louisville; but if, in the meantime, something should occur; for instance, the railroads running to Louisville should not give us proper rates, or if the hotels should attempt to gouge us, or the comrades of Kentucky should withdraw their invitation; if anything like that should occur then the delegates are free to exercise their good judgment in the premises.

The Department Commander: Reports of committees are in order.

Comrade Bailey: The Sherman Monument Committee appointed by this Department submit the following report:

To the Thirteenth Annual Encampment, Dep't of Missouri, G. A. R.:

Your committee appointed to take steps to secure contributions for the purpose of erecting a suitable monument to the memory of our late eminent and gallant Comrade, Gen. Wm. T. Sherman, respectfully report as follows: That the times have been such, and the inactivity of the citizens' committee of the city of St. Louis, to which your committee is tributary, has been so forced by the exigency of the times, that your committee has not deemed it wise or expedient to call upon the various Posts of the State during the past year for Post contributions, in aid of the citizens fund of the city of St. Louis, as was originally contemplated. Your committee deeming it wise to defer such solicitation until a more favorable and prosperous season. We therefore report progress.

GEO. W. BAILEY,
JNO. E. PHELPS,
THOS. W. EVANS,
F. M. STERRITT,
WM. WARNER,

Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was received, and the committee retained.

Comrade Martin: I have here the report of the advisory committee. The committee having advised with the Woman's Relief Corps, I have simply to add to this report that your committee felt a little doubtful in regard to this plan of building a soldiers' home in this State. Some of us were doubtful of the matter, but the ladies seemed so zealous in regard to it that they did absolutely convince us that it could be made a success.

To the Thirteenth Annual Encampment of the Dep't of Missouri, G. A. R.:

We, your committee appointed at the request of the Woman's Relief Corps to advise with the board of directors of the proposed Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home, would respectfully report that immediately upon appointment said board was notified of the same, and of our willingness to meet and act with the members thereof at their pleasure. From conference with that committee, your committee learned and report to you that articles of agreement of the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home have been adopted, approved by the Circuit Court of the city of St. Louis, and a charter therefor issued by the Secretary of State. The general offices of the same are located at St. Louis; the loca-

tion of the home not yet selected. The board has now in its treasury about \$600; an additional sum of \$700 is in the hands of the several Corps, ready to be turned over to the board. Owing to the financial condition, not much has been attempted to be done during the past year, further than to incorporate and to devise and consider plans for raising funds. Although working under many difficulties, without hope of aid from State or nation, as yet with no definite and well matured plan for raising the fund for the purchase of grounds, the erection of buildings and the future support of the institution, the zeal displayed by the ladies, the determination manifested to succeed in this most laudable undertaking convinces your committee of its feasibility and of its final success. The ladies of the Relief Corps, now having the matter in charge are soliciting membership, for which the fee is one dollar, and your committee would respectfully recommend that the delegates to this Encampment not only respond liberally, but what is more important, take the matter home with them to their several Posts, interesting the comrades thereof in the matter, and obtaining what aid they can for the enterprise in the way of such membership. All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. W. MARTIN,
IRA T. BRONSON,
FRANCIS P. BECKER,
JAMES R. MILNER,
C. W. WHITEHEAD,
GEO. HALL,
WM. G. HILLS.

The Department Commander: What will you do with the report of your committee?

Comrade Hagerty moved that it be adopted, and the committee be discharged.

Past Department Commander Rassieur: I rise to second that motion, and to say that this Encampment ought to lend its aid. There is one thing connected with this matter, which makes it distinctively different from the homes provided by the general government. The homes of the general government exclude the wives and dependent ones of the old soldiers. The ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps believe that the wife of an old soldier is as necessary to his happiness as his life, so that we shall make the effort in this State to provide such a home that she may be with him. (Applause.) Many of you may deem it almost an impossible undertaking; but to those who are zealous and earnest in the doing of a thing that is right, success is bound to come under the most unfavorable circumstances.

And in our state there is such a large number of men, and of all shades of political opinion, who endorse this humane sentiment that the wife of an old soldier is as necessary to his own as is his life, his food, his anything, I say the large number in this State who endorse that sentiment will bring forth the amount necessary to create the home. Therefore let us heartily endorse this resolution, and go home determined to aid the ladies to the best of our ability. (Applause.)

Comrade Scott, Post 5: I want to say just one word. When you say you are not able to build a home for the old soldiers of Missouri, go down to Higginsville and see what the confederates have done there. We ought to be able to take care of our poor, and I hope no man will ever say it cannot be done.

The Department Commander: The motion is to accept the report and discharge the committee. The committee must be a permanent one. In that committee I have selected comrades whom I knew were peculiarly friendly to the Woman's Relief Corps, and comrades in whom the ladies have the utmost confidence.

The motion to adopt the report was then put to vote and carried.

The committee on the report of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General presented the following report:

LEBANON, MO., April 12, 1894.

*To the Commander and Comrades of the Thirteenth Annual Encampment,
Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:*

Your committee, appointed to examine the report of the Assistant Adjutant General of this Department, respectfully report, that we have examined said report as carefully as our limited time would permit, and find it to be correct; that we commend the careful and painstaking manner in which the report is prepared, and recommend its adoption by this Encampment.

GEO. E. SMITH,
W. H. SKINNER,
J. L. BRIGGS,
Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

Comrade Cole, from the committee on the address of the Department Commander, presented the following:

LEBANON, Mo., April 12, 1894.

Department Commander and Comrades:

Your committee on the address of the Department Commander respectfully submit the following:

The subject matter of the address is respectfully urged upon the attention of the Encampment as a whole, and we further call particular attention to that part of the address referring to suspensions. The successful solution of this rests with the Post officers, and your committee urge careful perusal of this part of the address, which, if faithfully and conscientiously adopted and carried out, will largely accomplish this object—the reduction of the suspension list.

Owing to the difficulty that would arise for any uniform system of military instruction in the public schools, which is fully set forth in the Commander's address, your committee do not advise any action on this subject at this time.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Department Encampment be and the same are hereby tendered to Department Commander Charles G. Burton for the brilliant and scholarly manner in which he has presented the different subjects treated on in the address, and for the efficient manner in which the affairs of the Department have been transacted during his term of office.

NELSON COLE,
JOHN E. PHELPS,
C. W. WHITEHEAD,
G. W. MARTIN,
LEO RASSIEUR.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

The committee on resolutions, through Comrade Cook, Chairman, reported as follows:

On resolutions submitted by Posts 322, 29 and 229, advocating the early consolidation of the Sons of Veterans with the Grand Army of the Republic, the committee report adversely and recommend that they be not adopted.

On motion the recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

On resolution from Post 322, in favor of re-enactment of law giving soldiers arrearage of pensions, and from Post 411, taking exception to ruling of Commissioner of Pensions requiring widows of deceased soldiers to prove the soldier's naturalization, the committee report adversely, for the reason that these matters should properly be left in the hands of the pension committee of the National Encampment;

we endorse the action of the National Encampment and recommend that the resolutions do lie upon the table.

On motion the recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

On resolution, without signature, proposing the employment by this Department of an attorney to contest in the courts, the cases of suspended pensions, the committee report adversely and recommend that it lie upon the table.

On motion the recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

On resolution from Post 11, that the Department Commander make inquiry, as to amounts contributed by Posts and comrades to the ex-Confederate Soldiers' Home at Higginville, Mo., your committee deem it inexpedient to recommend such action, until satisfied that such information cannot be obtained from the management of said Home, and therefore recommend that it lie on the table.

On motion the recommendation was concurred in.

In regard to the amendment to the rules and regulations presented by Post 8, providing for the consolidation of Posts, the committee submits, as a substitute, the following, and recommends that it be presented and recommended to the next National Encampment for adoption:

Amend Section 2 of Article 1 of Chapter II (page 5, R. and R.), by inserting after the word "Post" in the first line of said section the words "except as provided for in Section 5, relating to the consolidation of two Posts."

Add the following Section numbered 5, to Article 1 of Chapter II:

Two Posts may consolidate into one Post in the following manner: Whenever a resolution shall be passed at a regular meeting of two Posts in favor of consolidating, the Post Commander of the Post desiring such consolidation shall order an election to be held to determine whether such consolidation shall be made, and shall fix the time of holding said election and direct the Adjutant of the Post to notify each and every member of said Post in good standing thereof in writing, within ten days after the adoption of said resolution. Said election shall be held at a regular meeting of said Post, and not less than thirty nor more than ninety days after the adoption of said resolution. Such election shall be by ballot, and if, a quorum being present, two-thirds of the members present shall vote for such consolidation, the Post Commander shall declare the proposition to consolidate adopted and cause the Adjutant to certify the fact to the Post Commander of the Post, with which they propose to consolidate. Immediately after the consolidation of such Posts the Department Commander shall be officially notified thereof, as

also of the name and number which the consolidated Post desires to retain, and a list of the officers retained or elected together with the names of the members in good standing shall be at once forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General. Upon the organization of a consolidated Post, in the manner herein provided, the records and other property of the two Posts shall be retained by the consolidated Post.

On motion the recommendation of the committee was adopted.

On resolution from Post 505, favoring levying a per capita tax for a widows' policy fund of the Grand Army of the Republic, your committee report adversely, and recommend that it do lie upon the table.

On motion the recommendation of the committee was concurred in.

The following resolution, presented by Past Department Commander Whitehead, is recommended to the Encampment for adoption:

WHEREAS, since our last Encampment there has removed to our Department and permanently located at Kansas City the leading soldier paper of the West, the *Western Veteran*, and recognizing the paper as a stalwart and fearless advocate of the Union veterans' cause, therefore be it

Resolved, That we extend to the publishers a soldier's welcome, and urge a liberal support from the comrades of this Department.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

The Assistant Adjutant General read the report of the committee on reports of the Medical Director, Chief Mustering Officer and Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders:

LEBANON, Mo., April 12, 1894.

*Department Commander and Comrades of the Thirteenth Encampment,
Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:*

Your committee to whom was referred the reports of the Medical Director, Chief Mustering Officer and Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders would respectfully report that we have examined the said reports as fully as the limited time would admit; that we find the reports very concise and clear, and commend the manner in which the work of these Department officers has been performed for the past year.

FRANCIS P. BECKER,
GEO. HALL,
L. I. MATTHEWS.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

Comrade Mosman, Post 7, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Encampment that it is the duty of the Grand Army of the Republic to use their utmost endeavor to assist the Woman's Relief Corps in providing a home for the disabled soldiers of the Union and their wives, and to this end the Encampment recommends that annually a voluntary contribution from each Post in this Encampment be solicited to secure the same.

The Department Commander: Under the rules the resolution comes too late, except by unanimous consent.

Comrade Martin: I move that the rules be suspended and the resolution be adopted without reference to the committee.

Comrade Hagerty: I second it, with the privilege of making one amendment. It simply says "disabled soldiers;" why not say "and their wives?" (Applause.)

The amendment was accepted and the motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution was carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General read the following report of the Council of Administration :

LEBANON, Mo., April 11, 1894.

To the Thirteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

The Council of Administration respectfully submit the following report:

The first meeting of the Council was held at Joplin, Mo., April 13, 1893, on the call of the Department Commander. The members present were: Chas. G. Burton, Department Commander; John P. Platt, Senior Vice Department Commander; H. Phelps, Junior Vice Department Commander; Dr. E. F. Lane, Medical Director; Rev. W. C. Calland, Chaplain; T. B. Rodgers, Assistant Adjutant General; Geo. W. Riffin and R. L. Galbreath, elected members; the Department Commander presiding.

On motion the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized and instructed to go to Indianapolis and engage quarters for the Department at the National Encampment.

On motion the Council adjourned.

The next meeting of the Council was held at Lebanon, Mo., April 10, 1894, at which the following members were present: Chas. G. Burton, Department Commander; H. Phelps, Junior Vice Department Commander; Rev. W. C. Calland, Chaplain; T. B. Rodgers, Assistant Adjutant General; Alvin Haynie, Inspector; Geo. W. Bailey, Judge Advocate; G. W. Riffin and G. W. Carmichael, elected members; Department Commander Burton presiding.

The following proceedings were had:

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Assistant Adjutant General read a letter from Past Department Commander Whitehead in regard to the Mesner loan in Kansas City, and on motion of Comrade Haynie the Commander was authorized to extend the loan for one year on payment of the interest due April 7, 1894.

In the matter of the Phelps loan the Assistant Adjutant General reported that the interest on the same had been paid.

The Assistant Adjutant General reported his action in engaging quarters at the National Encampment at Indianapolis, and on motion the same was approved.

The charters of the following Posts, which were previously suspended for failing to make reports, were annulled by the Department Commander, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration: Post 52, Callao; Post 99, Richwoods; Post 114, Poplar Bluff; Post 167, Rosendale; Post 448, New Madrid; Post 486, Bonne Terre.

The charters of the following Posts were also annulled for failing to make reports, the Posts having been duly notified as required by the Rules and Regulations: Post 18, Pleasant Hill; Post 316, Clarksville; Post 363, Jefferson City; Post 502, Salisbury.

The following Posts were suspended for failing to make reports, having been duly notified as required by the Rules and Regulations: Post 226, Jameson; Post 309, New Frankfort; Post 300, Palmyra; Post 415, Humphreys; Post 451, Dexter; Post 467, Harris; Post 508, Salisbury; Post 523, Gorin.

On motion the Council recommends that the Assistant Adjutant General be authorized to re-instate any such suspended Posts on payment of such an amount as he may deem proper.

On motion the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to employ Comrade C. C. Cowen as stenographer to report the proceedings of the Encampment.

The Council recommends to the Encampment that the same amounts be appropriated as heretofore for the purposes named: For the relief and burial of friendless Union soldiers \$150; for the traveling expenses of the Department Commander \$250.

The Department Commander appointed Comrades Phelps, Calland and Haynie, a committee to examine and audit the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.

The committee made the following report, which was on motion approved:

LEBANON, Mo., April 10, 1894.

To the Council of Administration, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

We, your committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General,

respectfully report that we have performed the duty assigned to us. We find vouchers for all sums paid out, the books well kept, and all of his accounts correct.

Fraternally submitted,

A. HAYNIE,
W. C. CALLAND,
H. PHELPS,

Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General and Recorder.

On motion the report was adopted.

Comrade Geo. W. Bailey: Mr. Department Commander, a very pleasant duty has been assigned to me by the members of your Post—Gen. Joe Bailey Post, of Nevada—which I will proceed to discharge, in my humble way, in a very few minutes. In your report as Department Commander, I find the following words in reference to this town: “The call of the bugle and the stirring roll of the drum echoed among her adjacent hills, and from the summits of her overlooking mountains” (laughter); “some of you helped to unfurl the ‘banner of the free.’” Time sometimes works wonderful inroads; time that has transpired since the war has not only removed the frowning artillery from the peaks of these “overlooking mountains,” but the mountains themselves! (Laughter.) It was probably not generally known to the members of this Department Encampment that you were the proprietor of a landed estate, which extends entirely around this beautiful hamlet of Lebanon; but, sir, under the law of nations you are the sole proprietor of the indisputable title, as the first discoverer, of these hazy “adjacent hills.” (Laughter.) It was evidently supposed by your comrades of Gen. Joe Bailey Post, who have selected me, I suppose on account of my name, to make this presentation, that in looking over, walking about, and climbing aloft to obtain a view of your vast domain, acquired under the law of nations, your feeble steps and lower limbs would not permit you to walk so far without support (laughter), and that even your eloquence, transcendent and pre-eminent as it is, could not soar high enough to penetrate the clouds that encircle and garnish the brows of these “overlooking mountains.” (Laughter.) Some

Department Commanders have demonstrated that they had better be "watched;" others have been "chained;" but like Prometheus unbound, you are not subject to be limited in your progress or stayed in your career, and therefore they have asked me to present you with something to help you along rather than to retard your footsteps. (Laughter.) This beautiful thing that I hold in my hand,—which I do not propose to show you just yet (laughter)—will help and assist you, and support your tottering steps, as you wind your rugged way over these beautiful "adjacent hills," or climb the craggy peaks of these "overlooking mountains." (Laughter.) But Mr. Department Commander, jesting aside, this is a token of esteem and respect of your comrades of Gen. Joe Bailey Post, of Nevada, your home; I am requested to present to you this beautiful symbol of their support, and emblem of their respect, not as a contribution from their pockets, but as a tribute from their hearts. And I know that the members of this Department Encampment will join its congratulations with the Post that has produced a Department Commander, who is about to close one of the most brilliant, if not *the* most brilliant, administration that this Department has ever enjoyed. (Applause.) And in your tottering footsteps over these "adjacent hills" and climbing up these "overlooking mountains," this beautiful gold topped cane—typical of these gilded mountain peaks—will support, and better enable you to view your new possessions acquired under the law of nations.

I am not going to give it to you just yet. (Laughter.) There is always a solemnity at the closing scenes of anything connected with human affairs, and interests. Always a kind of solemnity at the close of an administration; at the close of an epoch in history; at the close of a life; even at the close of a day, which is but typical of the close of a life.

Morning,—the opening chapter,—has its charm, but evening,—the closing chapter,—has its power.

"There is a calm, a beauty, and a power,
That morning knows not, in the evening hour."

Or, I might add, in the language of Garrick:

"Let others hail the rising sun,
We bow to that whose course is run."

Astronomers can point out with wonderful accuracy the very instant the shadow of an eclipse will fall upon a planet in the years to come ; they can map out the courses of the whirling worlds with wonderful accuracy and describe their eccentricities for years or centuries to come ; but with all their wisdom they cannot tell the course a man will take in twenty-four hours ! Therefore we find it expedient in human affairs to deal only with closed records. We know, sir, what you have done ; nobody can tell what I would have done had I been chosen to be your successor. (Laughter.) And so, sir, we would come to that calm consideration of your enviable record of acts and deeds contained in this closing book of your career as Department Commander.

And when the enviable volume is entirely closed and placed among our treasured archives we shall all the more miss the master hand, the brilliant intellect, the eloquent tongue, the kindly spirit and genial presiding comrade who has so modestly yet heroically stood at the helm of our affairs and interests during the past year.

"The stream is calmest as it nears the tide,
And flowers, the sweetest at the even tide ;
And birds most musical at close of day,
And men more honored when they've passed away."

(Applause.)

I know, sir, in repeating the language of another poet whose language is so terse, and condensed, that no words of mine could act as an acceptable substitute in telling, that the conditions of life must be reversed between the life and death of an individual, if that life has been properly lived. We all come into this life in tears, while all around us rejoice ; if we have lived properly we reverse these conditions and depart rejoicing, while all around us are in tears. And I feel that this Department Encampment will join with me, personally, and with the comrades of Gen. Joe Bailey Post—the donors of this beautiful token of their esteem—in the expression of the wish and hope indicated in the lines of the poet :

"On parent's knee, a naked, new born child,
Weeping thou sat'st while all around thee smiled ;
So live that sinking to thy last, long sleep,
Calmly thou may'st smile while all around thee weep."

Please accept this beautiful cane. (Long continued applause.)

The Department Commander: Comrade Bailey, and comrades. There is something of the ludicrous, and something to be thankful for. I have laughed, and I have cried. I will state that there are some things in that address of mine for which I have but two justifications to offer; it had never been my privilege, or my good fortune, to visit the town of Lebanon; I have passed through it but once, and then on the train; I knew but very little of its locality; I knew a number of its good boys with whom we had been meeting in the various Encampments, and that was the extent of my knowledge. I was led into the mistake honestly; I knew that Lebanon was on the summit of the Ozarks; and I remembered of once being upon the floor of our Legislature, and listening to the eloquence of the distinguished comrade who represented the people of this county in those halls, and when I heard him talk of the rock-ribbed representatives of Laclede County, what else could I think? (Laughter.) As I came from the depot with a friend who had come here before me, and whom I had heard talk about those "overhanging mountains," and I remarked that they were hardly observable (laughter); he says "they are there, you cannot see them, but they are there." (Laughter.) I met a good citizen—a resident of the town—and I said "this is a prairie;" "no," he says. "we are surrounded by hills, and by mountains." There are some people who are color-blind; there are some people who are near-sighted; and the man who cannot stand in the center of the beautiful town of Lebanon and behold its "overhanging peaks" has not got sufficient eye-sight to be elected Department Commander. (Laughter.) Can I justify what I said, that from its "overhanging mountains you had unfurled the banner of the free?" I say it now, that if the mountains had been there the banner would have been there. (Applause.)

My friend thought to annoy me by not exhibiting to me this beautiful little souvenir by saying that "I am not going to give it to you now;" the God's honest truth is, that I did not expect that he would give it to me at all. (Laughter.) To my certain knowledge he stood there trembling for fifteen minutes with his watch in one hand and the time card of the

railroad company in the other. So much for the humorous. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, there are a great many things that I should be thankful for; I appreciate the respect and the confidence and esteem of my friends; every man does that, but to my mind the primary and basic rock of every man's character should be his own inherent self respect. I would rather be able to look into the mirror and say I behold the countenance of an honest man, and be denounced by every comrade in the Grand Army, than to receive the plaudits and congratulations of every man in the Grand Army and behold in the glass the face of a hypocrite. Mankind with whom you come in contact knows you not; you are simply seen on big occasions when the best foot is forward; but these boys over at Nevada, with whom I have lived since I came to manhood, ought to know me if anybody does, and this present coming from them, from the boys with whom I have lived, by whose side I have marched, in whose homes I have broken bread, gives me, you don't know how much gratification. The Post at Nevada is a small Post, small in number, less than one hundred, but twice the Department of Missouri came to its portals and selected comrades and placed them in high positions; one of them who endeared himself to every comrade by kindness of heart, and gentle and loyal comradeship, sleeps the sleep that knows no waking, in our little city of the dead; the other just closes his career as a chief officer of this Department; he has endeavored to do his duty; and if he shall carry away with him the love and affection of his comrades it is the only crown that he desires or asks. (Applause.)

Junior Vice Department Commander Phelps took the chair and announced that the ballot would now be taken on the election of Representatives and Alternates to the National Encampment. The tellers collected the ballots and retired to count the votes.

Comrade Rassieur: I would like to bring a matter before this Encampment, which has been placed in my hands by Gen. Lyon Post No. 2; I can more distinctly state the subject matter by reading you a resolution passed by that Post, and which is as follows:

WHEREAS, Comrade Geo. Heintz, a member of Gen'l Lyon Post No. 2, and formerly a member of Harry P. Harding Post No. 107, Dep't

of Mo., G. A. R., and a Past Post Commander of said Post, applied for a withdrawal card from Post 107, and received, through some misunderstanding or error, an honorable discharge instead, by acceptance of which, supposing it to be a transfer card, he lost his standing as a Past Post Commander; therefor be it

Resolved, That the representatives of this Post to the Department Encampment to be held at Lebanon, Mo., be instructed to present the matter to the Encampment and request that by vote of the Encampment, he, the said Geo. Heintz, be restored to his status as Past Post Commander.

I can only state that this comrade through error, has lost his seat here, and that it is within the power of this Encampment to restore the comrade, and I make the motion that he be restored, that the rules be suspended and the matter acted on by the Encampment without reference to the committee.

The motion was seconded.

Comrade Henry; I would like to inquire whether the rules would permit this Department to do such a thing? Would not that change the rules and regulations?

Comrade Rassieur: I can answer Comrade Henry, that it has been frequently done, both at Department and National Encampments; any Encampment controls its membership, and it is simply restoring something that has been lost by error.

The motion, on being put to vote, was carried.

Comrade Rassieur: I desire to call the attention of this Encampment to this fact, that those who have already become members of the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home are earnestly requested to meet with the ladies this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The ratification of the original articles of incorporation and preparation of the by-laws which shall make it possible to carry that undertaking to a successful close will be considered, and I know you will be welcome, and your presence and your advice will be desirable at their place of meeting.

On motion the Encampment adjourned to meet at 1 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION, THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1894.

Junior Vice Department Commander Phelps called the Encampment to order and called for the report of the tellers on ballot for Representatives and Alternates to the National Encampment.

The result of the ballot was announced as follows, and the following named comrades were declared elected:

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The Department Commander: Junior Vice Department Commander, I ask the privilege of offering this resolution. We have about concluded the proceedings of this Encampment, and when this resolution shall have been adopted, as I know it will be, there will not remain, I believe, anything further but to install the officers elected and to bid them Godspeed in their administration in the ensuing year. I offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Missouri, are hereby tendered to the good people of Lebanon for their cordial welcome and generous hospitality. To the comrades of Geo. G. Meade Post, No. 48, we are duly grateful. Theirs is the faith that removes mountains and dries up the depths of the sea. May the portals of their Post room be the last to close, and their days long in the land over which they unfurled the banner of the free.

On motion the rules were suspended and the resolution was adopted.

The Kansas City Quartette, who had already done so much for the entertainment of the Encampment, were again called upon and sang "Soldiers' Chorus," followed by "Friends of My Childhood."

The Department Commander resumed the chair.

The Department Commander: I had the pleasure of introducing to you our comrade from the Department of Illinois, and requested him to say only a few words. Now I am going to re-introduce him to you and ask him to open the "flood gates"

of his heart. Comrade Blodgett, come to the front. (Applause.)

Comrade Blodgett: Commander and comrades. Unfortunately for me, and unfortunately for the Department I represent, the Goddess of Oratory forgot to kiss my lips, and consequently my words are few, and not well joined together; and I have to say this, that in a Grand Army Encampment I can never get funny; I can never tell a good story; I can never take hold of the bright side because I see always that we are doomed so quickly to flit away that I get on the sad and sentimental side, and without knowing why, and without being able to tell why, I find my heart comes up in my mouth, and the tears start in my eyes, and I am choked by what I would like to say by the things that are in my heart. Now, there never was on earth, and there never will be again on earth such an army as marched from 1861 to 1865. (Applause.) There never was a time when there was so much at stake, as there was from 1861 to 1865. The whole world, you may say, stood breathless waiting for the result of the battles that we fought on this continent; and if we had failed, if you men who are sitting here had failed, if you had lacked valor, and lacked the strength, and lacked the courage you would have set the clock of civilization back a thousand years. It was the last hope, and the last ditch for a republican form of government on earth (applause); for if we, on this continent, with all the conditions and surroundings, could not establish a government and save it for the people, and for all the people, then in the name of God what would be the use of any other people, in any other country, trying the experiment again. (Applause.) You bettered the condition of mankind around the world. As I said before, there never was such an army as the gallant army that marched from 1861 to 1865.

The men who enlisted in that army went out for a specific purpose; they went out from christian homes; they went out from their mothers; from their brothers; from their sisters, and with all the home ties to hold them in the line. There never was an army where so many men signed the pay-roll with their own hand; where so many men could read and write their own letters; where the standard of intelligence was anywhere to be

compared with our volunteer army of 1861 to 1865. You may take that army where it marched down Pennsylvania Avenue at the close of the war, in every company, in every regiment, in every brigade, and every division were hundreds of men carrying knapsacks, and carrying guns that were competent to be the captains of their companies, colonels of their regiments, or brigadier generals commanding brigades. With such an army, and such a cause, it is no wonder that we did succeed.

I believe that God, in his infinite wisdom will recognize the work you did for humanity; recognize the work you did for your race, and will so arrange affairs in the next world that when you go across you will find your comrades there, every one; because a man who fought for so glorious a cause, and laid his life on the altar of his country certainly is kin to the man who died on the cross to save mankind; and that there will be a way provided that we may all be at there the grand re-union, and all find ourselves with our names on the Lamb's book of life; because your work was for all time; it was for all time, and for all humanity. You were not fighting for this country as you found it in 1861; but you were fighting for it for all people who came here, and live here as long as the flag floats; for the unfortunates who seek shelter here from any other portion of the globe; and if they come here and become good citizens of this country, I say God speed them and God bless them; there is room for more than we have got.

Now, there has been raised in this country a great halloo about the pension list. He who is now sitting at the head of the government says that it is "honeycombed with fraud." Now, I will ask if there is a single comrade in this army that knows of a single comrade that comes here that is getting a pension that he is not entitled to? (Voice: No, sir.) Here is a comrade wounded in the army; if you take the braces off he would fall down like an ash barrel, yet he gets but \$30 a month. Now, we in many ways have been at fault about this matter of pensions; it has been, in a way, our own fault. Here come three men from Lebanon into the army; No. 1 got sick; had not been out thirty days until taken with some kind of sickness—chronic diarrhœa, turned out to be; sent to the hospital for thirty

or ninety days, then mustered out a mere skeleton, ruined physically for life. No. 2 is a young man who had never had a gun in his hands in his life, never was baptized in the smoke of a single battle; now, it was always some poor fellow's misfortune the first time under fire to lose an arm or lose a leg, and everybody, even the President of the United States, says "that is all right, give him a pension because he lost his leg," and he gets his pension, although he was there but one day, or one minute. But now we come to No. 3, the man that did all the marching, all the fighting, the man that carried the flag over the enemy's works, the man that saved the Union and brought back victory. Now of the three men who ought to have the pension? They all ought to have it, hadn't they? That is about the way I figure it up. And a nation that has grown so rich and so prosperous, that has increased in its wealth so many times tenfold, can ill afford to haggle about the little pittance that you receive as old soldiers. They will tell you that the pension appropriation is greater than the amount paid out to maintain the standing armies of Europe. Suppose it is; in the name of God, what would be the condition of things if we had not got the country to pay out pensions for? We can afford to pay the pensions; the government can afford to take care of its defenders, and you have the right to demand it.

I am glad to be over here and I am glad to bring the greetings of the Department of Illinois to the Department of Missouri. I am never so much at home as I am with the Grand Army boys, and I hope that you, every one of you, in the declining years and in the mellow sunshine of the autumn of your mortal and honorable career may feel that reasonable faith and consolation that the recording angel will meet you on the other side to take you by the hand and lead you up to the eternal camp grounds. Again, God bless you all, my comrades. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: The genius of oratory may not have "kissed the lips" of the comrade, but she was with him at the birth, and the Goddess of Liberty rocked his cradle. Comrade Blodgett, you will bear with you and to your Department the kindest greetings of the Department of Missouri. God bless you, and "may you live long and prosper." (Applause.)

There being no other business before the Encampment the newly elected officers were duly installed by Past Department Commander Cole.

The Department Commander announced his appointment of Comrade Thos. B. Rodgers, Post 1, as Assistant Adjutant General and he was duly installed.

Department Commander Grund: Comrades, I want to say that I have an announcement to make here. I wish to state to you, that I thought and felt that this announcement should be made to-day. The announcement that I want to make is, that I have appointed Comrade E. J. Smith, of Sedalia, as Judge Advocate. (Applause.) Now, comrades, in taking charge of this Department, I want to make a few remarks that will be about what I told you yesterday. The responsibility which rests upon me I am fully aware of; it is not only an office of honor, but I know there is labor attached to it; and I know there is work to be done; and as I said yesterday, if the comrades, the officers elected, and the comrades who have been delegates to this Encampment, will put their shoulder to the wheel and help the Commander and the other officers, I am satisfied that within twelve months from now I will be able to come with my staff and lay this office at your hands, and that you will be satisfied to say that "the officers we have elected at Lebanon have done their full duty." (Applause.) I wish that each comrade would make up his mind to go home to his Post and when they see reports from this Department of anything that has been done by its officers and they feel that the officer has made a mistake, or that I have made a mistake, I wish he would notify me at once. There is a great deal in the comrades being open, if they see that there has been adopted, or work done by the officers which ought not to have been done; therefore I say, comrades, feel the same as if you were in your Post room talking to your comrades; do not think that because I am the Commander of this Department I am ahead of you. My duty requires me to perform certain duties, and you, as comrades, whenever I come to your Posts to visit you, receive me as a comrade, and I hope that you will not have any big demonstration. As you were informed yesterday, I am not a great speaker. I really feel to-day that the honor that has been

conferred upon me by making me Department Commander has taken the wind out of me. (Laughter.) But whenever it shall be my good fortune to meet you in your Post room I will study up a little speech for you, and when I get through with it you will say: "Well, I think that fellow does know a little." I think you will excuse me to-day. And let me express my thanks once more for the honor you have conferred upon me and upon Hassendeubel Post of St. Louis. We will then proceed to other business, if there is any. Of all further appointments you will be notified in General Orders, as has been the custom heretofore. After we adjourn I would like to ask the Council of Administration, those elected, to meet me on this floor in an informal way. Comrades, let me thank you once more, and we will try to get along the best we know how. (Applause.)

Comrade E. J. Smith: Department Commander and comrades. Somebody said they wanted a one minute talk from me, but I will not give you that much; there is not much that I want to say; there is not much that I could say that you do not understand before it is stated. I am one of the boys; I was really one of the boys in the beginning of the war, and I have remained one of the boys ever since. The boys of my Post thought they would like to try and have me elected Department Commander; and with my consent, although very reluctantly given, they came down here and they made a bully race although they did not quite reach the goal. (Applause.)

But I am entirely satisfied with the result. (Applause.) Comrade Grund was entitled to it, and Comrade Grund got it. (Voice: That is right.) And with the big heart that is in his body, and his loyalty and efficiency as a Grand Army man, and with the assistance of the officers whose duty it is to help run the machine, I prophecy that this will be a prosperous year.

At the request of Comrade Burton, the comrades all joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne" under direction of Comrade Whitehead.

The Department Commander then declared the Encampment adjourned *sine die*.

A true record of the proceedings:

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

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On Tuesday night there was a camp-fire at the Post room of Gen. Meade Post No. 48. The hall was crowded and the boys had a pleasant re-union, interspersed with speeches and old army songs.

At 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon during the recess of the Encampment the members of the Encampment and visiting comrades, together with Gen. Geo. G. Meade Post of Lebanon, formed for parade at the Opera House, and, accompanied by the Lebanon Cornet Band and a drum corps, moved east on Commercial Street to Washington Avenue, and west on Washington Avenue to the school grounds. The column then formed a hollow square around the several hundred school children, who were put through an interesting drill by John B. Scott, the principal of the school. Three cheers were proposed by Department Commander Burton for the boys and girls of Lebanon, which were given with a right good will. The column then re-formed and marched to the Opera House, where the parade disbanded and the Encampment assembled for its afternoon session.

On Wednesday evening an entertainment was given to the visitors at the Opera House, which was crowded to overflowing. Comrade W. H. Turner, Past Post Commander of Post 48 of Lebanon, was master of ceremonies, and the Lebanon Cornet Band furnished excellent music.

After prayer by Department Chaplain, Rev. W. C. Calland, Hon. J. W. Farris of Lebanon, a comrade of Post 48, delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the citizens and comrades of Lebanon. He said:

Commander and Comrades of the G. A. R.:

The duty of welcoming you to our city has been assigned to me, and I cannot perform that duty in a better manner and more fully show my appreciation of the compliment than to be brief in my address, so that the time may be more profitably employed.

It is an honor worthy the aspiration of any town or city in the State to be permitted to entertain the annual Encampment of the G. A. R., and these ample decorations and the holiday attire of our city and this presence to-night all show our appreciation of that honor.

You do not meet as partisans in a political sense, and the localities in which you meet year after year do not entertain you in the same spirit they would representatives of political parties or the delegates of the civic societies of the land. All our people, old and young, coming from the four quarters of this great republic, meet you and salute you as the gallant defenders of our common country.

The time was when this organization was misunderstood and misrepresented. But the eyes of the blind have been opened, and the deaf have heard that this organization—this G. A. R.—is the bond of fraternal union of the "boys in blue" who, in early manhood, gave the best years of their lives and faced grim death many times in the deadly breach to preserve the Union of the United States, and now in their declining years are joined together by the indissoluble chain of sincere affection, to assuage each other's sorrows, lighten their burdens, sympathize with their misfortunes, stay the pangs of hunger if need be, nurse them in sickness and bury them in death and perpetuate their memories by annual mementoes of love in flowers and tears. -

Commander, it is a grand army, indeed—grand in its organization, grand in its purposes and grand in its achievements, and you have honored us by making Lebanon your annual rallying point for the year 1894. I utter a simple truth, therefore, without elaboration, when I say that the citizens of this beautiful little city welcome you. Our fathers and mothers witnessed the heroism and bravery of the gallant men during the mighty contest and some of them are still here and they welcome you with their tears and their prayers. Some of us, as soldiers, marched in the same ranks, tented on the same fields, fought in the same battles and defended the same flag.

We welcome you in the name of fraternity, charity and loyalty. Our children who have read of the war of their fathers are proud of the achievements of an army rivaling even the

hosts of the mighty Xerxes. Our children stand in awe, as they behold your tramp, tramp, tramp. As you march along, our children bid you thrice welcome. Our citizens, one and all, soldiers and civilians, the men who bravely fought in both armies, all of our people, have commissioned me to throw open our doors and tender you their unstinted hospitality.

We have heard of your coming—have heard of your former victories and know your ability to take what you want, and now, without waiting for a formal demand for an unconditional surrender, I give you this key to the gates of our city. It is a key to the entire situation. It will admit you to our homes, to our hearts, to all we have. Eat our bread and drink our pure magnetic water and share our hospitality and we will join with you in celebrating the great victories won in battle and enjoy with you the benefits of one country and one flag.

The address of welcome was responded to by Department Commander Chas. G. Burton in his usual elegant and vigorous manner, full of patriotic sentiment and free from sectional prejudice or partisan bias.

Among the other exercises was a solo by Miss Josie Farris; a song and two comic recitations by Mr. H. C. Stanleigh; a recitation by Comrade J. S. Ginger, of Ransom Post; solo by Mr. H. A. Nelson; a song by Comrade W. H. Turner; songs by the Kansas City G. A. R. Quartette, under lead of Past Department Commander Whitehead; and two drills by Miss Mary Estes' Company of young ladies and gentlemen. The different exercises were greatly enjoyed and well received by the large audience. The excellence of the drill and proficiency displayed in its execution reflected great credit on Miss Estes, who had evidently given much time and care to its preparation.

On Thursday evening a bean supper and camp-fire was given at the Opera House, which was enjoyed by all who were fortunate enough to participate. The Opera House was handsomely and profusely decorated with flags and other patriotic devices, and the decoration of the business houses and private residences by the citizens generally, attested the hearty and sincere welcome of the good people of Lebanon to the veterans of the war.

GENERAL ORDERS, 1893-4.

GENERAL ORDERS, 1893-94.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, }
 DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 NEVADA, MO., April 15, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 1. }

I. In assuming the duties of Department Commander I desire to express my thanks to the comrades for the honor conferred upon me, and to ask their hearty co-operation in the work to be done.

II. The following comrades were elected to the offices designated for the ensuing year:

Department Commander, Charles G. Burton, Post 26, Nevada.

Senior Vice Department Commander, John P. Platt, Post 33, Kingston.

Junior Vice Department Commander, Henry Phelps, Post 14, Joplin.

Medical Director, Dr. E. F. Lane, Post 73, Owasco.

Chaplain, Rev. W. C. Calland, Post 69, Springfield.

Council of Administration, G. W. Carmichael, Post 1, St. Louis; Geo. W. Riggin, Post 44, Milan; G. B. Sherry, Post 426, Hunnewell; R. L. Galbreath, Post 16, Carthage; B. Knoepfel, Post 43, Hannibal.

III. The following named comrades were elected as Representatives and Alternates to the Twenty-seventh National Encampment:

REPRESENTATIVES.

A. J. Smith (at-large), St. Louis.
 Thos. B. Tuttle, Carthage.
 Thos. W. Evans, St. Joseph.
 Austin E. Cook, St. Louis.
 John P. Tracy, Springfield.
 E. F. Rogers, Kansas City.
 Fred. Flammger, St. Louis.
 G. W. Travis, Cape Girardeau.
 J. G. Zimmerer, St. Louis.
 Wm. H. Mengel, California.
 E. B. Ward, Bethany.
 Henry Evers, St. Louis.
 Louis Benecke, Brunswick.
 Harry Mitchell, Nevada.
 A. L. McBride, Butler.
 A. W. Martin, Moberly.
 James Wilson, Kidder.

ALTERNATES.

Jas. O. Churchill (at-large), St. Louis.
 D. J. Doughty, Farmington.
 A. D. Barnes, Trenton.
 Jno. M. Swallow, Milan.
 Euphrates Boucher, Mt. Vernon.
 D. T. Ferrier, Springfield.
 Louis Fischer, Salem.
 H. T. Holmes, Jefferson City.
 H. E. Robinson, Maryville.
 James E. Callaway, Ravanna.
 W. B. Hatchett, Willow Springs.
 John W. Toppass, Chillicothe
 Jacob Snyder, Winston.
 James H. Reading, Osceola.
 A. M. Brown, St. Joseph.
 A. Van Meter, Lamar.
 James A. Hunter, Medoc.

D. S. Harriman, Kansas City.	Joseph Evans, Tipton.
D. S. Flowers, Pierce City.	Phil. Reynolds, Luray.
Robert Powell, Macon.	W. W. Knoop, Cameron.
E. J. Smith, Sedalia.	E. D. Canan, Clinton.

IV. Thos. B. Rodgers, Post 1, St. Louis, has been appointed and installed Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, and all official communications should be addressed to him, Room 406, Granite Building, Fourth and Market Streets, St. Louis, Mo. Additional appointments will be announced in future orders.

V. Each Post Commander is requested to recommend to the Department Commander a comrade for appointment as aide-de-camp on his Staff.

VI. The following resolution was adopted at the Department Encampment at Joplin.

“Resolved, That the Department Commander be requested, in General Orders, at the earliest day practicable, to again call attention of the Posts of this Department to the patriotic duty of making their contributions towards the erection of a Sherman Monument, at or near St. Louis, and that each comrade be invited to contribute his mite toward this noble purpose.”

General Orders No. 11, Department of Missouri, dated December 22, 1892, to which attention is directed, will sufficiently explain the plans of the committee having this matter in charge. The Department Commander hereby urges that each of the several Posts shall take prompt and immediate action in the premises, and report the same to Comrade F. M. Sterrett, Secretary of the committee, No. 815 North Seventeenth Street, St. Louis, Mo.

VII. The address of the Department Commander is Nevada, Mo.

CHARLES G. BURTON,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., April 18, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 2. }

I. The Grand Army of the Republic has dedicated the thirtieth day of May to the memory of the soldiers and sailors of the Union, whose tents are pitched upon the camping ground of the silent, and whose sails are furled in the harbor of the great beyond. That dedication has met with patriotic recognition and approval at the hands and hearts of a people grateful for a nation preserved.

We have chosen the flowers of Spring, the rose and the lily, the myrtle and the ivy, as the emblems of our love and affection; deposited

upon the graves of our dead, they testify to our devotion and symbolize the hope and faith that are within us.

The flag at half-mast and borne at the head of our columns, whose tread is timed to the mournful measure of the muffled drum; the anthems of the free, voiced by loyal lips; the appropriate address, uttered "with malice towards none," and the funeral salute, recall to the old and impress upon the young, the great lesson of Memorial Day; that,

"Whether on the scaffold,
Or in the battle's van,
The noblest place for man to die,
Is where he dies for man."

II. The Posts of this Department and the comrades thereof are respectfully urged to properly and appropriately observe Memorial Day, and in the language of the Commander-in-Chief as expressed in General Orders No. 7: "It is especially appropriate and desirable that the Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans, and children of the schools should be active participants on Memorial Day and the Sunday services preceding it."

By command of CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., May 20, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 3. }

I. The following additional appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Inspector, Alvin Haynie, Post 329, Clinton.
Judge Advocate, George W. Bailey, Post 131, St. Louis.
Chief Mustering Officer, J. E. Lewis, Post 268, Brunswick.

II. Upon the recommendation of Post Commanders, the following named comrades are hereby appointed Aides-de-Camp upon the Staff of the Department Commander, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

J. B. Pachall, Post 1, St. Louis.
Cord Ringen, Post 2, St. Louis.
B. F. Buzard, Post 7, St. Joseph.
George P. Huckeby, Post 10, Rich Hill.
Wm. Hahn, Post 13, St. Louis.
H. W. Davison, Post 14, Joplin.
F. L. Slade, Post 21, Maryville.

C. R. Haverley, Post 28, Macon.
 Jeff. Van Note, Post 32, Hamilton.
 Jonathan Smith, Post 43, Hannibal.
 C. W. Green, Post 47, Green City.
 M. V. B. Culver, Post 60, Dawn.
 W. F. Stemmons, Post 64, Golden City.
 John H. Steele, Post 65, Mound City.
 E. S. Gurney, Post 76, Kidder.
 W. W. Anderson, Post 81, Lathrop.
 P. H. Douglass, Post 82, Wellsville.
 Wm. A. Hall, Post 107, St. Louis.
 David T. Goforth, Post 111, Iberia.
 Frank Buchanan, Post 185, New London.
 D. J. Doughty, Post 215, Farmington.
 G. W. Covey, Post 229, Laddonia.
 J. H. Hicklin, Post 266, Billings.
 J. B. Cashion, Post 273, Perryville.
 John W. Laney, Post 285, Rockport.
 Wm. Hudson, Post 293, Lone Dell.
 Carl Moller, Post 304, St. Louis.
 T. A. McKinney, Post 311, Ford.
 J. Marion, Post 322, Verona.
 T. Hodge Jones, Post 323, Galena.
 E. D. Ganan, Post 329, Clinton.
 Moses Hedge, Post 371, Rocky Comfort.
 Chas. Pierce, Post 393, Milford.
 Louis Boemler, Post 444, St. Louis.
 John Otting, Post 496, St. Louis.
 George Doelfelder, Post 512, Tipton.
 A. F. McCray, Post 525, Cowgill.

Additional appointments will be announced, as they may be recommended by the Post Commanders.

It is expected that these comrades will use every effort to strengthen and build up their respective Posts and the Order generally. It is especially enjoined upon them to aid the Post officers in reducing the list of suspended comrades, and to vigorously aid in recruiting. They should supply themselves with the badge of their rank, which can be obtained from the Assistant Adjutant General.

III. The charters of the following Posts were annulled by the Department Commander, with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, for failing to make reports:

McFall Post No. 256, McFall.
 Osterhaus Post No. 399, Clearmont.
 Adam T. Jordan Post No. 401, Van Buren.
 Wm. Crockett Post No. 503, Doe Run.

The late Commanders of these Posts will at once return their charters, books and papers to these headquarters.

IV. The following Posts were suspended by the Department Commander, with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, for failing to make reports:

T. C. Wright Post No. 52, Callao.
Robt. L. McCook Post No. 114, Poplar Bluff.
Gen. Ord Post No. 99, Richwoods.
Rosendale Post No. 167, Rosendale.
Sheldon Post No. 474, Sheldon.
C. S. Conover Post No. 486, Bonne Terre.

These Posts can be re-instated by making reports and paying their arrearages of *per capita* tax.

V. In accordance with a resolution of the Department Encampment, the following named comrades have been appointed a committee to confer with the committee appointed by the Missouri Department of the Woman's Relief Corps on the Soldiers' Home: Geo. W. Martin, Post 57, Brookfield; C. W. Whitehead, Post 8, Kansas City; Ira T. Bronson, Post 53, Sedalia; Arnold Beck, Post 1, St. Louis; Christ. Niedringhaus, Post 2, St. Louis; Francis P. Becker, Post 13, St. Louis; W. G. Hills, Post 131, St. Louis; J. R. Milner, Post 69, Springfield; J. W. Beach, Post 7, St. Joseph; Geo. Hall, Post 72, Trenton.

VI. General Circular No. 1, of the Citizens' Executive Board of Indianapolis, in relation to the Twenty-seventh National Encampment, is enclosed with this order. It is time that Posts and comrades desiring to attend should begin to make their arrangements. The distance from Missouri is comparatively short, and it is expected that our Department will be largely represented there. Posts which will attend in a body, and wish free quarters in school houses and other public buildings, should make application at once to Wm. Fortune, Executive Director, Commercial Club Building, Indianapolis.

VII. Capt. Mace Post No. 464 has changed its location, with the approval of the Department Commander, from Centerville, Reynolds County, to Logans' Creek, same county.

VIII. Dr. E. F. Lane, Medical Director of the Department, desires a report from each Post Surgeon who has thus far failed to report for the six months ending December 31, 1892, so that he can make a full and satisfactory report to the Surgeon General.

IX. Aides-de-Camp on the National Staff are informed that they can procure their badges from the Assistant Adjutant General of the Department.

X. Blanks in duplicate for Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for the six months ending June 30th, being the first term of 1893,

are enclosed with this order. As the time will be short between this date and the meeting of the National Encampment, more than usual promptness is desired in forwarding these reports. Immediately after the last meeting of the Post in June, when the Commander, Adjutant and Quartermaster are together, these reports should be made out and enclosed with the *per capita* tax of ten cents for each member, in one envelope. An addressed envelope is herewith enclosed. There is no reason for delaying the reports until the last of the month, as no change can be made after the last meeting of the term, and many of the Posts hold but one meeting in the month, and that often early in the month. A majority of the Posts will have two weeks at least during the month of June in which to make these returns, and it can be better done then than to put it off for a month or two afterwards, as some of the Posts are in the habit of doing. Blanks for Post Surgeons' reports are also enclosed, with an addressed envelope to the Medical Director. Should the Post Surgeon fail to attend to this, the report should be made by the Adjutant.

XI. The Posts and comrades are warned against a man claiming to be E. A. Marsh, Co. C, 98th Ohio Inf., and to belong to Post 456, Cadiz, Ohio. The soldier above named has been dead for twenty years, and this fraud seems to be personating him and obtaining relief and transportation from Missouri Posts.

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By command of CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:
THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
ST. LOUIS, Mo., June 15th, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 4. }

I. The following additional appointments as Aides-de-Camp are hereby announced, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Fred'k Wulging, Post 1, St. Louis.
E. Cooper, Post 17, Cameron.
Wm. M. Lee, Post 51, Concordia.
A. H. Lamb, Post 58, Butler.
H. Crandall, Post 66, Winston.
Thos. C. George, Post 73, Sticklerville.
G. W. Starkey, Post 145, Eldon.
J. G. Burkhardt, Post 158, Bethel.
D. W. Pollock, Post 181, St. John.
J. H. Higdon, Post 220, Jamesport.

W. B. Gault, Post 252, Sprague.

H. F. Lincoln, Post 268, Brunswick.

Lewis Blakely, Post 282, Carrollton.

James H. Reading, Post 384, Osceola.

A. J. Smith, Post 390, Yount.

E. J. Preston, Post 391, Bowling Green.

J. A. Hosey, Post 397, Brookline.

II. The Journal of Proceedings of the Twelfth Annual Department Encampment and the Department Roster for 1893 are enclosed with this order. They are sent to the Post Commander, but are intended for the use of the Posts, and should be kept where they may be accessible to the comrades.

III. Blanks of Form "F" for Post Surgeon's reports having been discontinued by order of the Commander-in-Chief, on the recommendation of the Surgeon General, the Department has prepared a blank to be used for report of deaths by the Post Surgeons. This blank is enclosed to such Posts as did not receive a blank of Form "F" with the last General Order. The Surgeons of those Posts to which Form "F" was sent will report the deaths only in the ruled blank on the back of the report.

IV. The location of Geo. N. McGee Post No. 206 has been changed from Richmond, Ray Co., to Camden, Ray Co., with the approval of the Department Commander.

V. The attention of Post Commanders is again called to the importance of sending in the term reports at an early a day as possible, on account of the short time intervening before the National Encampment, which meets at Indianapolis on September 6. Reports, with *per capita* tax, should be sent in immediately after the last meeting in June.

VI. The Department Commander desires to do all that he can to promote the success of the Soldiers' Re-unions throughout the State, believing that they can be made of great use in arousing an interest among the old soldiers and of great benefit to the Posts. Officers of these associations are therefore requested to send to the Assistant Adjutant General the dates for such re-unions, in order that they may be published in General Orders and given as wide publicity as possible.

By command of CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., July 25, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 5. }

I. The Department Commander desires to call the attention of the comrades of this Department to the near approach of the time for

- holding the Twenty-seventh National Encampment, which will meet at Indianapolis the first week in September. The Encampment will meet on Wednesday, September 6. The parade will take place on Tuesday, September 5.

The railroad rates for Missouri have not yet been definitely fixed, but the rate from St. Louis and return, as at present agreed upon, will be \$4.80 or one cent per mile. It is expected that the Western Passenger Association, which includes nearly all the railroads in Missouri, will make a rate of not more than one fare for the round trip west of the Mississippi River. Full particulars as to rates and other details will be announced in the next General Orders.

It is hoped that the comrades of this Department will turn out in their usual numbers and thus maintain the prestige and good name which the Department has always held. Posts and detachments proposing to attend and who wish free quarters at the Encampment should without delay make application for same to Wm. Fortune, Executive Director, Commercial Club Building, Indianapolis, stating the number for whom quarters are desired. They should also report the same to these headquarters.

II. The following list of Soldiers' Re-unions to be held at Missouri is published for information. Comrades should attend these when held in their respective localities, and take advantage of the opportunity to explain the objects of the Grand Army of the Republic and thus arouse an interest among those not already members, that will tend to build up and strengthen our organization.

The Northwest Missouri Veteran Association, comprising the counties of Andrew, Atchison, De Kalb, Gentry, Holt, Nodaway and Worth, will hold its Annual Re-union at Maryville, Nodaway County, September 19, 20 and 21. All communications of inquiry should be addressed to S. R. Rowley, Secretary, Maryville, Mo.

The Sixth Annual District Re-union will be held at Southwest City, McDonald County, on August 1, 2, 3 and 4, being Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. S. G. Sutter, Southwest City, Colonel Commanding.

The Ozark Battalion will hold its Annual Re-union at Cuba, Crawford County, August 23, 24 and 25. J. L. Denton, Cuba, Mo., Commander.

The Sixth Annual Re-union of Veterans and Sons of Veterans of Barry County, will be held at Purdy Springs, near Purdy, Mo., August 29 to September 1, inclusive. Commander, P. H. Duncan, Purdy, Mo.

There will be a Soldiers' Re-union at Clarence, Shelby County, on August 30, 31 and September 1. A. Langenback, Secretary.

The Third Congressional District Association will hold their Twelfth Annual Re-union at Mt. Moriah, Harrison County, Mo., August 23 to 26, inclusive, under the auspices of Bradshaw Post No. 201. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic and their wives and Sons of

Veterans will be conveyed free to Mt. Moriah from Ridgeway, on the C., B. & Q. R. R., or from Princeton, on the C., R. I. & P. R. R., on giving notice to Thos. J. Cuming, Adjutant of Bradshaw Post, Mt. Moriah, Mo., not later than August 19, of the train on which they will come.

The Caldwell County Battalion will hold its Annual Re-union at Mirabile, Mo., on August 15, 16 and 17.

III. The following additional appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander, are hereby announced:

To be Aides-de-Camp:—

Henry Hornberger, Post 96, Maysville.
 J. M. Collier, Post 102, Shelbyville.
 James H. Orr, Post 134, Albany.
 G. Burckhart, Post 158, Bethel.
 S. S. Keister, Post 168, Braymer.
 Lewis Sence, Post 221, Novelty.
 G. B. Closson, Post 224, Hale.
 J. J. Mitchell, Post 375, Harwood.
 James N. Stapleton, Post 386, Climax Springs.
 F. Burlingame, Post 392, Southwest City.
 Simeon T. Tate, Post 541, Edwards.

To be Aide-de-Camp and Department Color Bearer:—

Stephen Dellacella, Post 1, St. Louis.

To be Aide-de-Camp and Department Bugler:—

R. R. Miller, Post 33, Kingston.

IV. Post Commanders who have not yet forwarded their Adjutant's and Quartermaster's report for the first term of 1893, ending June 30, will do so at once, in order that they may be consolidated for report to National headquarters.

V. Comrades who will attend the National Encampment should procure from the Assistant Adjutant General, through their Post Quartermasters, the bronze Department badge, which is furnished at the cost price of sixty cents each.

VI. The name of Thomas Weber Post No. 154, Arbela, Mo., has been changed with the approval of the Department Commander to Wm. T. Kays Post.

VII. Comrade Theo. S. Case, of Post 3, Kansas City, Mo., having resigned as a member of the Sherman Monument Committee, comrade William Warner of Post 8, Kansas City, is hereby appointed a member of said committee to fill the vacancy occasioned by such resignation.

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 By command of CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS.,
 ST. LOUIS, MO., August 21, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 6. }

I. As heretofore announced, the Twenty-seventh National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will meet at Indianapolis, on Wednesday, September 6. The parade will be on Tuesday, the fifth.

Ample arrangements have been made by the people of Indianapolis for the accommodation and entertainment of all who will attend, and its proximity and consequent small expense for travel should insure a large attendance from Missouri.

II. The Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant General will have rooms at the Denison House, corner of Pennsylvania and Ohio Streets. The business headquarters of the Department will be at Room 18 of the State House, where all Missouri comrades are requested to call and register on their arrival.

III. On the day of the parade, the Department Officers, Aides-de-Camp and Representatives to the Encampment will report at the above headquarters in the State House, in uniform, at ten o'clock A. M.

The Missouri Posts and comrades will report and form for parade at one o'clock P. M., on the east side of North New Jersey Street, right resting on Sixth Street, extending south. This is east of the line of the parade, which starts from the corner of Seventh and Meridian Streets, thence south on Meridian to New York Street, east on New York to Pennsylvania, south on Pennsylvania to Market, east on Market to New Jersey, south on New Jersey to Washington, west on Washington to Tennessee, where the parade will be dismissed. The line of parade is about two miles in length and is on the most beautiful and shaded streets of the city.

The Posts will be formed in column of platoons of twelve, single rank, with intervals of four paces between each platoon. All who take part in the parade must be in uniform.

Posts attending the Encampment in a body will report on their arrival, their number in attendance and where located, to the Assistant Adjutant General, at Room 18, State House, in order that they may be assigned places in the parade. Small detachments and unattached comrades will be formed together in a separate battalion.

IV. The Department Commander and Staff, on invitation of Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, of St. Louis, will accompany that Post on its special train, from St. Louis to Indianapolis, via the "Big Four" route; the train will leave the Union Depot, St. Louis, on Sunday, September 3, in the forenoon, the hour not yet fixed, and will arrive at Indianapolis the same evening. Comrades from the interior of the State, desiring to take this train, should see that their tickets read via the C. C. C. & St. L., or "Big Four" Railway from St. Louis.

V. The railroad rate from St. Louis to Indianapolis and return has been established by the "Big Four" and "Vandalia" roads, at \$4.80 for the round trip, which is one cent per mile. Comrades desiring to visit the World's Fair, at Chicago, after the Encampment, can purchase round-trip tickets at Indianapolis, for \$3.65. The tickets from St. Louis to Indianapolis will be sold from August 29 to September 5, inclusive, going, and good to return to and including September 16.

VI. The Department Commander has delayed the issuance of this order, until after the meeting of the Western Passenger Association, which met in special session on the seventeenth inst., at Chicago, in the hope that he would be able to announce that they had authorized the usual reduction of one fare for the round trip from all points west of the Mississippi River in Missouri. This they have refused to do, but have made a rate of \$14.50 from Kansas City, via St. Louis to Indianapolis and return, and a rate of \$18.15 from Kansas City, via Chicago to Indianapolis and return.

As at present understood, the rate from intermediate points and all other points in Missouri to St. Louis, will be the World's Fair rates at present existing, of one fare for the round trip, plus \$2.00.

Tickets will be sold through to Indianapolis and return at the above rate added to the rate of \$4.60 from St. Louis to Indianapolis and return.

Comrades are advised to watch the daily papers, and make inquiry of their local railroad agents, and thus inform themselves of any changes that may be made as to rates and arrangements hereafter.

VII. The Committee of Conference on the Soldiers' Home, or such of them as may be present at Indianapolis, will meet for organization and conference with the Committee of the W. R. C., at Missouri headquarters, Room 18, State House, on Wednesday, September 6, at four o'clock, P. M. The following are the members of the committee: Past Department Commander Geo. W. Martin, Brookfield; Past Department Commander, C. W. Whitehead, Kansas City; Ira T. Bronson, Post 53, Sedalia; Arnold Beck, Post 1, St. Louis; Christ. Niedringhaus, Post 2, St. Louis; Francis P. Becker, Post 13, St. Louis; W. G. Hills, Post 131, St. Louis; J. R. Milner, Post 69, Springfield; J. W. Beach, Post 7, St. Joseph; Geo. Hall, Post 72, Trenton.

VIII. Headquarters at St. Louis will be open during the Encampment week, but no requisitions will be filled from September 4 to 16.

IX. Department badges can be supplied by the Assistant Adjutant General, at fifty-five cents, or with postage paid, sixty cents for the bronze, and \$1.00 with silver top. Comrades should procure these badges before going to Indianapolis.

X. The following additional appointments as Aide-de-Camp are hereby announced and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Frederick W. Fout, Post 1, St. Louis.
 Jacob M. Gruen, Post 2, St. Louis.
 A. R. Laird, Post 53, Sedalia.
 Stephen Thomas, Post 164, Breckenridge
 James C. Davis, Post 387, Marceline.

XI. The following new Posts have been mustered:

W. H. Harrison Post No. 542, at Bland, Gasconade County, by Adolph Muller, P. P. C. Post 297. Lindon Marts, P. C.

Stewart S. Bell Post No. 543, at Festus, Jefferson County, by D. B. Veazey, P. C. Post 46. J. W. Bell, P. C.

XII. Franklin Post No. 308, has changed its location, with the approval of the Department Commander, from Paris, Monroe County, to Stoutsville, same county.

XIII. The Annual Re-union of the Union Soldiers of the Department of the Pomme de Terre, consisting of the counties of Polk, Dallas, Camden, Hickory, Cedar, St. Clair and that part of Benton County south of the Osage River, will be held at Bolivar, Mo., on September 20, 21 and 22, 1893. Moses N. Neihardt, Hermitage, Mo., Commander. John D. Abbe, Bolivar, Chairman Committee of Arrangements.

By command of CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS.,
 ST. LOUIS, MO., October 17, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 7. }

I. The Department Commander returns thanks to the Posts and comrades of the Department who by their presence at the National Encampment, at Indianapolis, contributed to maintain the reputation of the Department.

The Department was represented at the meeting of the Encampment by its full number of Representatives and Alternates.

II. The following National officers were elected:

Commander-in-Chief, John G. B. Adams of Massachusetts.
 Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, I. N. Walker of Indiana.
 Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief, J. C. Bigger of Texas.
 Chaplain-in-Chief, A. B. Kendrick of Iowa.
 Surgeon-General, Dr. J. R. Graham of Maryland.

Member of the National Council of Administration for Missouri,
 F. M. Sterrett of St. Louis.

Pittsburgh, Pa., was chosen as the place for meeting of the Twenty-eighth National Encampment.

III. The report of the Committee on Pensions, which was unanimously adopted by the Encampment, was an able, forcible and dignified statement of the position of the Grand Army of the Republic on that subject. A copy of the same will be sent to each Post.

IV. In accordance with a resolution adopted by the Twenty-seventh National Encampment, which requires an inspection of each Post before December 20th of the present year, the Department Inspector will cause the Posts of this Department to be properly inspected before that date. It is recommended that this be done at the first regular meeting in December; when this is not practicable, at the next regular meeting thereafter. If for any reason inspection has not been made in the month of December, then the inspection to be made by the installing officer at the meeting for installation of officers, and before the installation. Under the resolution of the National Encampment, officers cannot be installed until the Post has been inspected.

The Senior Past Post Commander present of each Post will act as Assistant Inspector for the inspection of the Post. If none should be present, then the Post Commander will detail some competent comrade who shall inspect the Post. Blanks for the inspection will be sent to the Commander of each Post, who will turn them over to the Assistant Inspector at the proper time. The "form of inspection" as laid down in the Service Book of 1893 will be strictly adhered to, and Post Commanders are expected to previously read the questions which will be asked by the Inspector, so that they may be able to properly answer the same.

On completion of the inspection, Assistant Inspectors will at once send the report of same to Alvin Haynie, Department Inspector, Clinton, Mo., in addressed envelope sent for that purpose.

The Department Commander would especially emphasize the importance of having a general and thorough inspection, and expects to have a report from every Post.

V. The Department Commander desires to call the attention of the officers and comrades of the Posts to the very large number of comrades reported on the suspended list, and to urge that they take immediate steps to reduce this as much as possible before the end of the year. A special effort should be made to restore as many of them as possible to good standing on such easy terms as may seem best. Under our rules no comrade can be *dropped* unless he has *been previously suspended*, and dropped members can be re-instated on payment of one year's dues.

Many Posts have been carrying on the suspended list for years a large number of comrades who have left the country and whose whereabouts are unknown. All such should be at once dropped from the rolls.

If careful and intelligent attention be given to this matter on the part of Post officers the Commander is satisfied that our next reports will show a marked and gratifying improvement.

Let each comrade also make an effort to secure a recruit. There are thousands of old soldiers outside of our organization, a great many of whom can be induced to join if proper effort is made. It should be the ambition of every Post Commander to increase the membership of his Post during his term of office. Let them therefore, together with other officers, arouse an interest among the comrades, and make it a point to see that more than enough new members are mustered to counterbalance the losses during the year.

VI. General Orders No. 1, National headquarters, are sent with this order.

VII. Blanks for Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for the second term of 1893 will be sent with next General Orders.

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By command of CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:
THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., November 24, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 8. }

I. A blank of Form H for the inspection of Posts, together with Circular of Department Inspector and printed "Form of Inspection," is enclosed with this order to the Commander of each Post. An addressed envelope for sending the report to the Department Inspector is also enclosed.

As heretofore announced in General Orders No. 7, to which attention is invited, the inspection will be made by the Senior Past Post Commander of each Post. Should no Past Post Commander be present at the meeting when inspection is to take place the Post Commander will detail a suitable comrade to make the inspection.

II. The annual election of officers of the Posts of this Department will be held at the first regular meeting in December.

At the same meeting, as provided by the Rules and Regulations, Representatives will be elected to the Department Encampment. Each Post is entitled to one Representative and one Alternate for every fifty members in good standing, and one additional Representative and Alternate for a final fraction of more than half that number. Posts having less than fifty members are entitled to one Representative and one Alternate. Post Commanders and Past Post Commanders, being *ex officio* members of the Encampment, should not be elected as Representatives.

The basis of representation is the number of members in good standing as shown by the Adjutant's report for the term ending June 30th, 1893. Posts mustered after January 1st, 1894, will be entitled to representation by the Post Commander, or, in his absence, by the Senior or Junior Vice Commander. Posts in arrears for dues or reports are excluded by the Rules and Regulations from representation in the Department Encampment.

III. The Department Council of Administration has selected Wednesday and Thursday, April 11th and 12th, 1894, as the date for the meeting of the Thirteenth Annual Encampment, at Lebanon, Mo.

IV. Post Commanders will immediately after the election report to the Assistant Adjutant General the names of Representatives and Alternates elect, with the names of all Past Post Commanders in good standing, on blanks which are herewith enclosed. They will see that the names are plainly and correctly written, and will keep a duplicate report to be presented to the Committee on Credentials at the Encampment.

V. The newly elected officers will be installed at the first regular meeting in January, 1894, by the Senior Past Post Commander present. If no Past Post Commander is present, then any member of the Department Staff is authorized to act, provided that no comrade has been specially detailed for that purpose. Installing officers are required before proceeding with the installation to ascertain whether all reports and dues have been forwarded to Department headquarters; and when this has not been done they will not proceed until the reports and dues are placed in their hands for that purpose. Where a Post has not been inspected they will proceed to make the inspection before the officers are installed. They will also see that the Quartermaster has filed a satisfactory bond before he is installed.

VI. The success and welfare of a Post depends on the interest and zeal of the officers selected to administer its affairs. It is important therefore that officers should be chosen on account of their fitness for the position. When the officers are attentive to their duties it will be found that the comrades generally will take a proper interest in the affairs of the Post.

VII. Duplicate blanks for Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports for the second term of 1893, being the six months ending December 31st, 1893, are herewith enclosed. They should be made out at the last meeting in December and forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General *in one envelope* with the *per capita* tax of ten cents for each member in good standing as per Adjutant's report. Reports should be sent in immediately after the last meeting in December.

A blank for report of Post Surgeon is enclosed, which should be made out and sent to the Medical Director of the Department. An addressed envelope is herewith enclosed.

The representation of the Department in the next National Encampment will be based on the membership in good standing as reported for this term, and it is hoped that no efforts will be spared to increase our membership by the re-instatement of suspended and dropped members, as well as by the admission of new members, before the end of the year.

VIII. As there is much misunderstanding as to "suspended" and "dropped" members, and the proper method of restoring them to membership, the following statement is made for the information of Posts and comrades:

A comrade can only be suspended *by a vote of the Post*, after he is six months in arrears, and two months after having been notified of his arrearages in writing, by the Post Quartermaster. He is restored to membership in good standing by simply paying his dues.

After a suspended member is one year in arrears for dues, and has been notified thereof, in writing, by the Post Quartermaster, unless payment is made within two months thereafter, he may be dropped by a vote of the Post. He cannot be dropped unless he has been previously suspended, and so reported on Adjutant's report.

It is discretionary for the Post to drop him or carry him as a suspended member.

A "dropped" member is entirely out of the Order, and to be re-instated must make application on the regular blank, which shall take the same course as that of a recruit. When re-instated he need not be mustered nor re-obligated, but must sign the Rules and Regulations and By-Laws of the Post.

A "dropped" member can be re-instated either by the Post which dropped him, or by *any other Post*. When re-instated by his own Post, he shall pay an amount not exceeding one year's dues. When re-instated by any other Post, he shall pay an amount not exceeding one year's dues of his former Post, which shall be collected and forwarded by the Post re-instating him. In such case, he shall also pay such additional fee as may be agreed upon, not exceeding the amount charged for joining by transfer.

In case the Post which dropped the comrade is disbanded, the arrearages due the disbanded Post shall be retained by the Post electing him.

IX. Two copies of the report of the Committee on Pensions to the last National Encampment, with Circular No. 1, in reference to same, just received from National headquarters, are transmitted herewith; also General Orders No. 2, National headquarters.

By command of CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., December 26, 1893. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 9. }

I. A blank for report of the officers elect is enclosed with this order, which should be filled out with the names of all officers, both elected and appointed, and returned to the Assistant Adjutant General. When the post office address of the Post Commander is different from that where the Post is located, it should be stated on this report.

A blank bond for Quartermaster is also enclosed.

II. In order to avoid errors in the printing of the names in the Roll of the Encampment and the Department Roster, it is recommended that each Post Commander and Adjutant give particular attention to the distinct writing and correct spelling of the names of officers elect and Representatives to the Department Encampment.

III. By an error of the printer, General Orders No. 8 was dated October instead of November 24. Post Adjutants will make the proper correction.

IV. The Department Commander has received Order No. 9, of F. E. Ernst, Commander of the Missouri Division of the Sons of Veterans, from which it appears that there are now sixty-seven Camps, composed of 1,518 members in good standing. The attention of the comrades is directed towards this organization. Visit the Camps whenever opportunity is afforded, and by your presence and counsel, aid and encourage "the boys" in the work which they have undertaken.

V. The following changes of location of Posts have been approved by the Department Commander:

Isabella Post, No. 538, from Isabella, Ozark County, to Theodosia, same county.

W. W. Legget Post, No. 490, from Ash, Monroe County, to Duncan's Bridge, same county.

VI. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the Post Court Martial in the trial of Comrade Wellington Thomas, of Post 268, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., have been approved by the Department Commander, and the said Wellington Thomas is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

VII. General Orders No. 3, and Circular No. 2, National headquarters, are transmitted with this order.

VIII. It is hoped that Post Commanders will be prompt in forwarding the reports for the second term of 1893, ending December 31. All reports should be in the hands of the Assistant Adjutant General by January 10, 1894. Reports of inspection should be sent to Alvin Haynie,

Department Inspector, Clinton, Mo. Reports of Post Surgeons, to Dr. E. F. Lane, Medical Director, Oswaco, Mo.

IX. The following Posts are delinquent for the term ending June 30, 1893:

Post 85, Shelbina; 121, Cora; 127, Edina; 147, Akron; 159, Shibley's Point; 206, Camden; 210, Springfield; 213, Lindley; 225, Marshfield; 237, Warsaw; 242, Pattonsburg; 248, North Salem; 253, Belton; 275, Gainesville; 328, Bakersfield; 368, Mack's Creek; 419, Decaturville; 422, Newtown; 472, Fulton; 476, Springfield; 477, New Cambria; 492, Monett; 500, Ardmore; 501, Chillicothe; 502, Salisbury; 508, Salisbury; 509, Brunswick; 520, Exeter; 528, Downing.

These Posts should send in reports for both terms of 1893, in order to keep in good standing and entitle them to representation in the Department Encampment.

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By command of CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:
THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
GRANITE BUILDING, FOURTH AND MARKET STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., March 21, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 10. }

I. The Thirteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri will assemble at the Opera House in the city of Lebanon, Mo., at 10 o'clock A. M., on Wednesday, April 11, 1894.

II. The Department Council of Administration will meet at the Gasconade Hotel, on Tuesday, April 10, at 2 o'clock P. M. Department headquarters will be established at the Gasconade Hotel, on Tuesday, April 10.

III. The following named comrades are appointed a Committee on Credentials: John P. Tracy, Post 69; C. G. Manchester, Post 48; Louis C. Hesse, Post 13; Louis Fischer, Post 128; F. S. Huckins, Post 355.

The committee will meet at the Laclede Hotel, on Tuesday, April 10, at 2 o'clock P. M. Representatives and members of the Encampment will report to this committee on their arrival and receive their Encampment badges.

The Department register will be kept at the Lebanon House, where all visiting comrades are requested to register on their arrival.

IV. On recommendation of the Commander of Post 48, the following named comrades of Post 48 are detailed for duty during the ses-

sions of the Encampment: For Officer of the Day, R. C. Barrows; for Officer of the Guard, J. B. Hickman.

The Commander of Post 48 will detail from the comrades of that Post a suitable number of sentinels, with proper reliefs for duty at the Encampment.

V. The following list of hotel accommodations and rates is published for the information of those who will attend the Encampment :

Gasconade Hotel,	capacity 200	at \$2.00	per day.
Laclede Hotel,	"	200 at 2.00	"
Lebanon House,	"	75 at 1.00 to 1.50	per day.
Yocum Hotel,	"	24 at 1.50	per day.
Central Hotel,	"	25 at 1.00	"
Fisher Hotel,	"	35 at 1.50	"

In addition to above, numerous boarding houses and private houses will accommodate visitors at from 75 cents to \$1.00 per day. Comrades desiring to engage quarters in advance, can do so by addressing Comrade W. H. Turner.

VI. The comrades at Lebanon have made ample arrangements for entertaining their visitors, and will spare no pains to make it pleasant for all who may attend. There will be a literary and musical entertainment on Wednesday evening at the Opera House, and on Thursday evening a camp-fire and bean supper, with addresses and music.

VII. The following railroads have made a rate of one fare for the round trip to Lebanon and return :

St. Louis and San Francisco; Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis; Missouri, Kansas and Texas; Missouri Pacific, and St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern. Tickets to be sold April 10 and 11, good to return until and including April 14.

A diligent and protracted effort has been made to secure a half rate from the Western Passenger Association, but without success, they having made an open rate of a fare and one-third for the round trip from points in Missouri to junction points with the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway. Tickets same limits as above. This Association includes most of the roads in North Missouri, viz.: Wabash; Chicago and Alton; Chicago, Burlington and Quincy; Chicago and Great Western; Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul; Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific; Hannibal and St. Joseph; Kansas City, St. Joseph and Council Bluffs; St. Louis, Keokuk and Northwestern.

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe; Quincy, Omaha and Kansas City; St. Louis and Hannibal; St. Louis, Cape Girardeau and Ft. Smith, not belonging to the Western Passenger Association, have been communicated with, and are expected to make a half rate.

Arrangements are also in progress, whereby it is expected that the Wabash; Hannibal and St. Joseph; St. Louis, Keokuk and Northwest-

ern, and Chicago and Alton, may also sell tickets from certain points at one fare for the round trip.

It is understood that the sale of tickets will only be made from what are known as "coupon" stations. It will therefore be necessary for comrades residing at or near non-coupon stations to advise their railroad agent some days in advance so that they may procure the tickets.

Post Commanders on receipt of this order should notify comrades who are going to the Encampment, and should at once see the station agents in their respective localities and ascertain if they have received the necessary instructions in regard to reduced rates. It frequently happens that some stations or some branch lines are overlooked, and this can be remedied by having the agent write his company for instructions.

VIII. By request, the Department Commander announces that the Annual Meeting of the Missouri Association of the Union Ex-Prisoners of War, will be held at Lebanon, Mo., in the Sons of U. Hall, on Commercial Street, on April 10, at 10 o'clock A. M.

IX. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the Post Court-Martial, in the trial of Comrade W. Jones, of Post 243, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., have been approved by the Department Commander, and the said W. Jones is hereby dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

X. It having come to the knowledge of the Department Commander that some of the Posts are not furnishing their recruits with the membership badge, he desires to call attention to Section 8, Article II, Chapter II, of the Rules and Regulations, which requires that a badge shall be furnished to each recruit upon muster, the cost thereof being added to the muster fee.

Every comrade is entitled to this honorable insignia of membership, which he can wear with pride during life, and at his death transmit as an heirloom to his children.

XI. The following new Posts have been mustered:

Gen. Jere. M. Rusk Post No. 544, at St. Charles, Mo., by Thos. B. Rodgers, Assistant Adjutant General. Wm. Woods, Post Commander.

Ridgeway Post No. 545, at Ridgeway, Harrison County, by W. H. Skinner, Past Post Commander, Post 124. W. H. H. Fenton, Post Commander.

T. L. Hampton Post No. 546, at Newport, Barton County, by C. M. Miller, Past Post Commander, Post 34. W. E. Nesbitt, Post Commander.

Capt. Wagoner Post No. 31, Independence, Jackson County, by C. M. Crandall, Past Post Commander, Post 3. Moses A. Biggs, Post Commander.

XII. The following changes of location of Posts have been approved by the Department Commander:

Brownlow Post No. 458, from Phelps, Lawrence County, to Plew, same county.

Geo. B. McClellan Post No. 485, from Pacific, Franklin County, to Washington, same county.

XIII. The Adjutant General of Ohio is preparing a register of all living ex-soldiers of that State, which will be of great importance to all ex-soldiers, their widows and orphans.

All Ohio soldiers in this Department are therefore requested to immediately write to James C. Howe, Adjutant General, Columbus, Ohio, giving their company, regiment and branch of the service, with post office address. Also send the same information in regard to any other ex-soldiers from Ohio of whom they may know.

Post Commanders are requested to have this notice published in local newspapers.

XIV. By request of E. T. Lee, Secretary of Shiloh Battlefield Association, it is announced that their Annual Re-union will be held at Pittsburg Landing, Tennessee, on April 6 and 7, 1894. Comrades who participated in that battle are requested to attend and assist in locating the various positions held by their commands during the battle. Reduced rates are promised by railroad and steamboat lines.

XV. Such Posts as are in arrears for reports and *per capita* tax are reminded that they will not be entitled to representation in the Department Encampment, nor to the National Countersign until reports are made and dues paid. Many Posts have failed to send report of Representatives and Alternates-elect. Postal cards have been sent to all such, and it is hoped they will be prompt in responding.

XVI. The Journal of the Twenty-seventh National Encampment is sent herewith; although addressed to the Post Commander, it is the property of the Post and for the use of the comrades.

General Orders Nos. 3 and 4, National headquarters, are also transmitted.

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By command of CHARLES G. BURTON, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

PROCEEDINGS

— OF THE —

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

— OF THE —

DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

— HELD AT —

MACON, MISSOURI,

APRIL 17 AND 18, 1895.

Reported by Comrade C. C. Cowen, Stenographer, Post 1, St. Louis.

GENERAL ORDERS, 1894-95.

ST. LOUIS:
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1895.

The Third Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, adopted the following *Order of Business* and the *Rules of Order* for the National Encampment, so far as the same may be applicable to a Department.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening of the Encampment.
2. Calling Roll of Officers.
3. Report of Committee on Credentials.
4. Calling Roll of Members.
5. Reports of Officers.
6. Appointment of Committee on Reports of Officers, and such other Committees as may be necessary.
7. Reception and Reference of Communications.
8. Reports of Committees.
9. Miscellaneous Business.
10. Election of Officers and Delegates to National Encampment.
11. Installation of Officers.

ROLL OF THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.

Held at Macon, Mo., April 17th and 18th, 1895.

The following is the Roll of the members of the Encampment present, as reported by the Committee on Credentials and adopted by the Encampment. Of the Department Officers, those marked with an asterisk (*) were present.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

*LOUIS GRUND.

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

*LOUIS FISCHER.

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

*CHAS. W. RUBEY.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR,

*DR. IRA T. BRONSON.

CHAPLAIN,

*REV. W. C. CALLAND.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL AND ASSISTANT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,

*JNO. B. PACHALL.

INSPECTOR,

*JOHN W. SCOTT.

JUDGE ADVOCATE,

*E. J. SMITH.

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER,

*FRANCIS P. BECKER.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,

*ADAM FISHER. *N. W. TAYLOR. *JOHN P. TRACEY.
HENRY A. HAMMEL. *W. H. SKINNER.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS,

WILLIAM A. WARNER.

*HIRAM SMITH, JR.

*W. F. CHAMBERLAIN.

JOHN E. PHELPS.

NELSON COLE.

*LEO RASSIEUR.

†E. E. KIMBALL.

*GEORGE W. MARTIN.

*CHARLES W. WHITEHEAD.

*CHARLES G. BURTON.

† Deceased.

Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Jas. C. Broadwell.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. B. Rodgers, John W. Noble, Thos. S. Maxwell, F. M. Sterrett, Wm. H. Scott, John B. Pachall.

Representatives, Arthur Dreifus, G. W. Carmichael, A. O. Engelman, Louis Koop, Arnold Beck, P. C. Sommers, V. J. Mathews, Michael Fritz, F. Flammger, B. A. Suppan, Fred. Wulfinf, C. D. Bush, Wm. Paschedag, F. Schueddig.

Gen. Lyon Post No. 2, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Henry Pins.

Past Post Commanders, Henry Evers, Geo. Heintz, Jacob M. Gruen, Chas. Niedringhaus.

Representatives, Christ. Niedringhaus, Jno. C. Bensiek, Adam Wenzel, Casper Stolle, Lucas Schwank.

Admiral Farragut Post No. 3, Kansas City.

Past Post Commander, Wilbur F. Henry.

Representatives, Thos. Martin, E. J. McWain.

McPherson Post No. 4, Kansas City.

Post Commander, Alfred Brant.

Past Post Commanders, E. F. Rogers, Jas. B. Davis.

Representative, J. G. Young.

A. Lincoln Post No. 5, Moberly.

Post Commander, R. T. McCaskey.

Past Post Commanders, A. B. Thompson, O. P. Stidger, J. B. Cotty, S. S. Rich, Alex. McCandless, Jacob Herring, Wm. S. Betts.

Representatives, J. W. Stigall, Wm. Maynard.

Jas. A. Garfield Post No. 6, Jefferson City.

Past Post Commander, W. H. Lusk.

Representatives, L. V. Dix, Victor Zuber.

Custer Post No. 7, St. Joseph.

Past Post Commander, Thos. W. Evans.

Representatives, T. D. Roberts, T. J. Ferrill.

Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 8, Kansas City.

Representatives, W. J. Elliott, C. N. Brooks, D. S. Harriman.

Ellsworth Post No. 12, Grant City.

Past Post Commander, Ben. J. Harding.

Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, St. Louis.

Post Commander, J. G. Zimmerer.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. A. Goeb, Louis Grund, Ernest Kretschmar, Ig. Hartman, Geo. Neubert.

Representatives, Frank P. Becker, Martin Scherer, Jacob Kaemerer, Wm. Hahn, Wm. E. Schubert, Jos. A. Beck, Val. Barth, Louis C. Hesse, Geo. Weissenburger, Henry Miller, Henry Lange, Max Fritz, John B. Schneider.

O. P. Morton Post No. 14, Joplin.

Past Post Commander, J. L. Briggs.

Representatives, Julius Geiergens, R. Palmer, J. R. Hollebaugh.

Stanton Post No. 16, Carthage.

Post Commander, T. B. Tuttle.

Past Post Commander, A. W. St. John.

Jos. Hooker Post No. 17, Cameron.

Past Post Commanders, J. S. Rogers, C. N. Burnham, J. N. Munsel.

Representative, W. W. Knoop.

Sedgwick Post No. 21, Maryville.

Past Post Commander, H. E. Robinson.

Corporal Dix Post No. 22, Kirksville.

Post Commander, O. C. Snyder.

Past Post Commanders, J. H. Kinnear, B. F. Heiney, E. O. Gates, J. W. Tinsman.

Representatives, Jacob Sands, John M. Davis, Thomas J. Dockery.

F. A. Jones Post No. 23, Macon City.

Post Commander, Chas. P. Hess.

Past Post Commanders, N. S. Richardson, R. J. Eberman, C. P. Hess, W. B. Dolson, C. R. Haverly, Geo. Yuncker, S. J. Wilson.

Representatives, C. W. Haynes, P. A. Zemmerman.

David A. Roberts Post No. 25, Glenwood.

Post Commander, H. D. B. Cuttler.

Past Post Commander, M. Sweet.

Tindall Post No. 29, Chillicothe.

Past Post Commander, J. W. Toppass.

Representatives, H. C. Clem, James Burch.

S. A. Hurlbut Post No. 32, Hamilton.

Past Post Commanders, W. H. Sloan, A. E. Lee.
Representative, J. A. McCreery.

Ben. Loan Post No. 33, Kingston.

Post Commander, Jos. Everett.
Past Post Commanders, Jos. Orr, J. D. Ross, Benj. F. Klepper, Wm. Brown, J. P. Platt, D. P. Stubblefield, Henry Heiser, W. S. Deam, D. F. Motley, R. D. Sackman.
Representative, Matthew Gormley.

McCook Post No. 34, Lamar.

Past Post Commander, T. D. W. Arnold.
Representative, Wm. Stark.

Paddy Shields Post No. 36, Clarence.

Post Commander, Anthony Langenbeck.
Past Post Commanders, J. A. Watkins, P. P. Burkholder, W. H. Moore, D. F. Pippinger, H. F. Glahn, J. K. Bowman.
Representative, M. M. Wallace.

Col. Forbes Post No. 38, La Plata.

Post Commander, Chas. Westcott.
Past Post Commander, Geo. H. Ashlock.
Representatives, Alfred Shores, Henry Ashlock.

Roderick Rockwood Post No. 39, Xenia.

Past Post Commander, Geo. W. Houston.

Albert Chandler Post No. 42, Macon City.

Post Commander, Robt. Powell.
Past Post Commander, Jas. Davis.
Representative, Henry Dodd.

Wm. T. Sherman Post No. 43, Hannibal.

Post Commander, John F. Stewart.
Past Post Commander, B. Knoepfel.
Representatives, Jno. O. Hogg, B. F. Fields, I. Creamer.

McCulloch Post No. 44, Milan.

Past Post Commander, Geo. W. Riffin.

Christian Meyer Post No. 45, Oregon.

Past Post Commander, D. P. Dobyms.
Representative, Jacob King.

Capt. J. L. Clark Post No. 47, Green City.

Representative, Victor Aubrey (recommended).

Gen. Geo. R. Smith Post No. 53, Sedalia.

Past Post Commanders, E. J. Smith, W. A. Fast, Ira T. Bronson, J. W. Truxel, Daniel Grow, Richard Ritter, D. W. Spicer.

Representatives, N. A. Bradley, John Holsman, N. H. Rogers, A. W. Winzenburg.

O. H. Woods Post No. 57, Brookfield.

Post Commander, E. C. Brott.

Past Post Commanders, Geo. W. Matin, C. B. Simpson, R. W. Davis, J. M. Sheets, J. V. Martin, E. E. Ward, H. H. Clark.

Representative, A. J. Lanning.

Bates County Post No. 58, Butler.

Past Post Commander, Wm. Page.

Representatives, F. M. Wyatt, C. C. Wyatt.

Gen. H. Blunt Post No. 59, Pollock.

Representative, Geo. Masson.

Gen. Wadsworth Post No. 60, Dawn.

Representative, Thos. J. Owens.

Mound City Post No. 65, Mound City.

Representative, Jos. M. Parish.

Tarkio Post No. 67, Tarkio.

Representative, J. A. Harwood (recommended).

E. D. Baker Post No. 68, Green Ridge.

Past Post Commanders, Levi Overmire, Jas. W. Campbell.

Capt. John Matthews Post No. 69, Springfield.

Past Post Commanders, J. P. Tracy, J. R. Milner.

Representative, J. W. Eldridge, — Lewis (recommended).

Col. Jacob Smith Post No. 72, Trenton.

Post Commander, W. B. Rogers.

Past Post Commander, M. Wetzler.

Johnson Downen Post No. 73, Sticklerville.

Post Commander, Richard Reid.

Past Post Commander, Geo. Graham.

Representative, Andrew J. Medley.

John A. Dix Post No. 76, Kidder.

Post Commander, Wm. Roney.

Past Post Commanders, A. McKee, James Wilson, W. W. Baldwin,
A. Lornberger, T. Templeton, E. S. Gurney.

Representative, Chas. D. Inglehart.

Col. Grover Post No. 78, Warrensburg.

Past Post Commanders, A. B. Logan, Wm. Lowe.

Representatives, John A. Drummond, John G. Scroggs, John A.
Adams.

L. W. Cooper Post No. 81, Lathrop.

Past Post Commander, B. J. Burk.

Yeager-Sharp Post No. 82, Wellsville.

Representative, Steven Barths.

Lookout Post No. 85, Shelbina.

Past Post Commander, John S. Chandler.

Representative, F. A. Newman.

C. G. Hurker Post No. 88, Meadville.

Post Commander, J. W. Abell.

Past Post Commanders, J. G. Bargar, Marion Cave.

T. H. Richardson Post No. 92, Lancaster.

Representative, Henry Years.

Shelbyville Post No. 102, Shelbyville.

Past Post Commander, O. P. Robinson.

Representative, John A. Bennett.

Harry P. Harding Post No. 107, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Ernest W. Evers.

Past Post Commander, Herman Schneider.

Representatives, Geo. Shubert, C. T. Kerls, Wm. R. Oder,
D. Huetteinan.

Jeff. C. Davis Post No. 108, Versailles.

Representative, H. T. Talbott.

B. K. Davis Post No. 109, Hopkins.

Representative, Geo. O. Cobb.

Wm. McKee Post No. 110, Kahoka.

Post Commander, J. S. Mattick.

Past Post Commanders, Jos. Vandolah, Wm. Owens, Sam'l Neeper,
Representatives, Joe M. Morgan, G. W. Henry.

Jewell Post No. 118, Mt. Vernon.

Past Post Commander, Euphrates Boucher.

Lieut. T. D. Neal Post No. 124, Bethany.

Post Commander, E. B. Ward.

Past Post Commanders, W. P. Robinson, R. H. Wren, W. H. Skinner, J. Walker, E. S. Miner, Jacob Noll.

Representatives, D. S. Alvord, J. L. Cole, David Goucher.

Salem Post No. 128, Salem.

Past Post Commander, L. Fischer.

Fred. Miller Post No. 130, Tina.

Post Commander, W. T. Munson.

Representative, John Parsley.

Ransom Post No. 131, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Robert R. Scott.

Past Post Commanders, A. G. Peterson, A. J. Child.

Representatives, A. J. Bromwell, W. G. Hills, Thos. H. Hagerty, Adam Roth, Wm. B. Dean, Geo. E. Smith, Henry Fairback, Geo. A. Newcomb, E. A. Becker, John Greaves.

Avalon Post No. 146, Avalon.

Post Commander, Isaac C. Havens.

Past Post Commanders, S. H. Skinner, F. M. Snyder, Isaac Leeper, S. A. Grey, A. L. Monroe, Geo. Beauchamp, Jas. C. Preston.

Representative, Jas. Fullerton.

Liberty Post No. 150, Spickardsville.

Representative, James J. Clark.

D. N. Keeler Post No. 152, Melrose.

Representative, Wm. Rettker.

Geo. Miller Post No. 158, Bethel.

Post Commander, George W. Bowers.

Jesse H. Moore Post No. 168, Braymer.

Past Post Commanders, A. J. McKnight, D. C. Feese, S. S. Lindsay, H. B. Meffert.

Representative, Albert Gorty.

Gen. J. B. Steadman Post No. 172, Appleton City.

Past Post Commander, W. W. Chapel.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

Justi Post No. 173, Girardeau.

Past Post Commander, G. W. Travis.
Representative, Aug. Bierwirth.

Estle Post No. 178, DeWitt.

Past Post Commander, E. G. Grossman.
Representative, J. M. Null.

Murray Post No. 179, Memphis.

Post Commander, R. D. Cramer.
Representative, Geo. Sharr.

Chester Harding Post No. 182, St. Joseph.

Post Commander, James Hubbard.

Major Hunt Post No. 185, New London.

Post Commander, W. R. Sanford.

Bradshaw Post No. 201, Mt. Moriah.

Past Post Commander, Nelson Church.

McCroskey Post No. 210, Springfield.

Past Post Commander, Wm. Mathie.

Isaac Clevenger Post No. 211, Excelsior Springs.

Post Commander, M. J. Benson.
Past Post Commanders, F. W. Cones, M. J. Benson.
Representative, W. N. Perkins.

Sergt. Ryan Post No. 214, Brashear.

Past Post Commanders, B. F. Hall, J. N. McCreery, Daniel Tuttle,
M. T. Strock.
Representative, Chas. Callison.

Picket Post No. 215, Farmington.

Representatives, Thos. T. Dalton, Anderson Counts.

Norcross Post No. 221, Novelty.

Past Post Commanders, R. M. Greggs, Sol Conder.
Representative, L. L. Simpson.

S. L. Turley Post No. 222, Bancroft.

Past Post Commander, M. G. Netherton.

Reuben Dale Post No. 223, Eagleville.

Past Post Commanders, J. D. Officer, T. B. Schaeffer, J. M. Curry
John Eaton.

Guy Ward Post No. 224, Hale.

Post Commander, W. H. Clute.

Representative, R. H. Meeks.

Thos. J. Brouster Post No. 233, Clayton.

Representative, John Scheurman.

Gen. Fred. D. Steele Post No. 235, Montrose.

Post Commander, Jas. W. Hunt.

Past Post Commanders, R. H. Dugan, P. H. Sullivan.

Representative, J. A. Kelland.

W. S. Hancock Post No. 239, Mexico.

Representative, W. M. Dopp (recommended).

John A. Hayn Post No. 240, Boonville.

Past Post Commander, R. W. Whitlow.

Andy Smith Post No. 243, Willow Springs.

Representative, Wm. B. Hatchett.

Col. Leonard Post No. 251, Eldorado Springs.

Representative, D. W. Graves.

Pinhart Post No. 268, Brunswick.

Post Commander, Benj. Showers.

Past Post Commanders, L. Benecke, J. E. Lewis, Jos. Gross.

Representative, J. P. Randolph.

Difani Post No. 273, Perryville.

Post Commander, A. H. Cashion.

Henry Brown Post No. 276, Clarksburg.

Past Post Commanders, W. H. Mengle, J. M. Williams.

Wakefield Stanley Post No. 282, Carrollton.

Past Post Commander, T. J. Whiteman.

Chas. Sumner Post No. 286, Boonville.

Representative, George McMahon.

Capt. Blandowsky Post No. 296, New Haven.

Post Commander, Aug. Altheide.

Representative, Henry Rohling.

John Phelps Post No. 297, St. James.

Post Commander, R. C. Carpenter.
 Past Post Commander, Adolph Muller.
 Representative, M. V. Olney.

John A. Logan Post No. 304, St. Louis.

Representative, Geo. Schaper.

Gordon Granger Post No. 329, Clinton.

Representative, E. D. Canan.

Jas. W. Owens Post No. 332, Washington.

Representative, Chas. Kobb.

Evans Post No. 340, Economy.

Post Commander, John McDaniel.
 Past Post Commanders, R. M. Depew, M. E. Buster.
 Representative, John Mettes.

Col. Shaw Post No. 343, St. Louis.

Representatives, Geo. W. Edwards, Thos. Daisey.

Levi F. Pennington Post No. 347, Truxton.

Representative, W. S. Goshorn.

R. L. Ferguson Post No. 358, Sweet Springs.

Past Post Commander, Stuart C. Davis.
 Representative, Michael Cook.

Samuel Lewis Post No. 370, Cunningham.

Past Post Commanders, Frank M. Lewis, Charles Stewart.
 Representative, Moses Jones.

Harwood Post No. 375, Harwood.

Post Commander, A. J. Jarvis.

Dawn Post No. 384, Osceola.

Past Post Commander, Jas. H. Reading.

Marcelene Post No. 387, Marcelene.

Post Commander, J. D. Bush.
 Representative, W. E. Crane.

South West City Post No. 392, South West City.

Representative, J. F. Nichols.

Capt. J. A. Bowers Post No. 393, Milford.

Representative, Louis Boughardt.

Clay Shaw Post No. 418, Sedalia.

Past Post Commander, Harrison White.

Fred. Roether Post No. 420, Montgomery City.

Past Post Commander, G. T. Muns.

Thos. Gordon Post No. 428, Polo.

Post Commander, Chas. Achenbach.

Past Post Commander, E. L. McQuillen.

Representative, Jno. C. Webb.

Columbia Post No. 432, Columbia.

Representative, Talton Woods.

Gen. Hazen Post No. 440, Foster.

Post Commander, Horace P. Porter.

Elwood Miller Post No. 444, St. Louis.

Representative, Jos. Welsh.

E. E. Kimball Post No. 453, Middleton.

Representative, W. H. Graham.

John Whalen Post No. 459, St. Joseph.

Post Commander, Lowry Lock.

Vandalia Post No. 466, Vandalia.

Post Commander, W. O. Barnett.

Maj. Leonard Post No. 468, Higbee.

Representative, John W. Floyd.

Ethel Post No. 471, Ethel.

Representative, John O. Davis.

Sumner Post No. 477, New Cambria.

Post Commander, Jas. Murphy.

Past Post Commanders, Hector Evans, Elijah Collins.

Representative, David R. Jones.

Dillard Bell Post No. 487, Elmer.

Post Commander, C. Kidder.

Past Post Commander, J. S. Miller.

Representative, Lewis Keyt.

W. W. Leggett Post No. 490, Duncan's Bridge.

Post Commander, J. T. Lokey.

Past Post Commander, W. J. Skinner.

Col. Meumann Post No. 496, St. Louis.

Past Post Commander, Chas. Beiger.

Representatives, Wm. Braun, John H. Stupp, Chas. A. Rosenburger.

Col. P. Cornyn Post No. 505, Chamois.

Representative, R. P. White.

Jno. Tietjens Post No. 506, Indian Grove.

Post Commander, Henry Nicholson.

Past Post Commanders, J. W. Blume, B. J. Eddeman, J. W. Lance.

Representative, S. S. Kelso.

Isaac Smith Post No. 509, Brunswick.

Representative, Chas. White (recommended).

Whitesville Post No. 510, Whitesville.

Representative, Milton Crockett.

J. H. Crenshaw Post No. 516, Carterville.

Past Post Commander, S. G. Franklin.

Geo. W. Murphy Post No. 525, Cowgill.Past Post Commanders, A. F. McCray, J. N. Michael, J. E. Kelley,
O. F. Carpenter, Jas. H. Scott.

Representative, Geo. W. Davis.

Boone County Post No. 527, Columbia.

Representative, J. W. Clark (recommended).

Tillman Terrill Post No. 539, Moberly.

Representative, John Meadows.

J. H. Weirich Post No. 540, Spring Bluff.

Representative, Thos. B. Evans.

W. H. Harrison Post No. 542, Bland.

Post Commander, Lindon Marts.

S. J. WILSON, Post No. 23,

L. C. HESSE, Post No. 13,

J. B. CROTTY, Post No. 5,

J. V. MARTIN, Post No. 57,

B. F. HEINEY, Post No. 22,

Committee on Credentials.

PROCEEDINGS
— OF THE —
FOURTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT
— OF THE —
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
— HELD AT —
MACON, MISSOURI, APRIL 17TH AND 18TH, 1895.

FIRST DAY, 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Fourteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, in pursuance of General Orders No. 10, convened at the Opera House, Macon, Mo., April 17th, 1895, at 10 o'clock A. M., and was called to order by Department Commander Louis Grund.

The Encampment was formally opened with prayer by Department Chaplain, Rev. W. C. Calland:

We adore Thee, we magnify Thee, we praise Thee, O God, for Thy matchless loving kindness toward us during the past year. Let us never forget that Thy providential hand is continually over Thy children, to guard them and save them in time of trouble. One more year has sped, and many of us are again permitted to look each other in the face and greet each other with fraternal words of welcome and good cheer.

Shall we be the recipients of Thy gracious benefactions, and yet forget the gracious hand that has bestowed them?

We pray Thee that the great cardinal principles of the Grand Army of the Republic may grow dearer to our hearts as the years shall pass; that fellowship shall mean more to us; that we may desire to exhibit a truer feeling of friendship and good will.

Remember the widows and orphans of deceased soldiers; raise up friends for them.

Increase our allegiance to our beloved country, for which we have risked our lives and parted from loved ones.

Bless our Order, we pray Thee, during this annual gathering. Bless our Commander and his Council of Administration, that they may be guided with all wisdom, in order that their deliberations shall result in the good of this Order.

Bless all our comrades, especially the sick, the maimed and the suffering; give them the restful consolations of Thy word and grace.

O God, many memories press upon us as we stand face to face and recall the stirring experiences of the past. Bless our service and sacrifice for our country with the richest results in good government and the prosperity of a happy people.

And now, bless the people of this beautiful city, who have opened their doors in hospitality to us. Let Thy benedictions rest richly upon them.

Gladden our hearts as we take up the routine of business. Make us charitable in our judgments toward each other; and when our life star shall set, may it not go down behind the darkened west, but melt away in the brightness of heaven. We ask all for Christ's sake. Amen.

The Department Commander: This is the Fourteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri. We have not got much time, but we have got lots of work to do, and while the Committee of Arrangements of these Posts has made some arrangements which we have got to comply with, I would ask you, each and every one, to be as brief in your speeches, in regard to matters brought up before this Encampment, as you possibly can; hoping that by being brief we shall succeed in attending to whatever may devolve upon us in carrying out the wishes of our Posts. Having the interests of the Grand Army of the Republic at heart, I am satisfied we can express ourselves in a few words, and have our work successfully accomplished in a very short time. At 1 o'clock this afternoon, according to the programme of the Committee of Arrangements, there will be an open meeting held here, which will be addressed by representatives of the people of Macon, and which is to be answered by the Department Commander and other speakers. I have also received a telegram from our Adjutant General Jones, conveying the information that our Commander-in-Chief and members of his staff will arrive here this afternoon at 3:37, on the Wabash Railroad. The parade was due at 2:30 this afternoon, but on account of the Commander-in-Chief not arriving here until 3:37, we will not fall in line until 3 o'clock. I want to say that we shall expect

every delegate. as well as every Grand Army man in the City of Macon, to fall into line and join in this parade. A committee will receive the Commander-in-Chief at the depot, and escort him here, and when he is brought here he will be received with a salute. The streets are not in such condition that we can march down to the depot in a body to receive him, so the committee will secure the proper number of carriages and go to the depot and bring him here. And in the meantime, I would recommend that the delegates assembled here will proceed to do whatever work there is to do, or as much of it as possible, as to-night we have a camp fire, and also to-morrow evening; therefore, whatever work we have to do, we will have to do in a hurry. So let us get through with our work as rapidly as possible.

I would now call upon the Howlers of Ransom Post to give us a song before we proceed any further.

Song, by Ransom Howlers:

"Shout, shout, shout, the victory is won," etc.

And upon being encored, they rendered,

"When we drank from one canteen," etc.

The Department Commander: The next order of business will be the calling of the roll of officers. (See page 5.)

The Department Commander: We will now listen to the report of the Committee on Credentials. (See pages 6 to 16.)

Comrade Rassieur, Post No. 1: I desire to move that the recommendations of the Committee on Credentials be adopted, and that comrades whose names have just been read be made members of the Encampment.

Seconded by Comrade Thomas B. Rodgers.

Carried.

The Department Commander: The next order of business is the reading of reports of Department officers.

Comrade Thomas B. Rodgers, Post No. 1: I move that the reading of the different reports be dispensed with, with the exception of the address of the Department Commander and the report of the Department Chaplain.

Seconded.

Carried.

Senior Vice Dep't Commander Louis Fischer in the chair.



LOUIS GRUND, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., APRIL 10, 1895. }

Comrades:

One year ago you conferred upon me the honor of Commander of this grand old Department, known as the Department of Missouri. With some misgivings as to my ability to direct and manage the affairs of the Department, as the worthy successor of those distinguished comrades who had preceded me, and to maintain the high standard of our grand organization in this Department, I assumed command.

And now, at the end of a full year, it seems proper to say that the duties of the office have been performed, not only with cheerfulness, but also with so much pleasure, that the recollection of them will be to me a "joy forever."

Whatever may be the verdict of that great Court which impartially tries all human actions, the great satisfaction will remain to me of knowing that I endeavored to perform the duties of the office faithfully, and to show to my comrades my full appreciation of their favor.

Comrades, I greet you, and ask your assistance in conducting the business of this Encampment in a spirit of fraternity, charity and loyalty, to the end that our work may be done wisely and well.

Let us briefly review the past and consider the present.

MEMBERSHIP.

Strong and unflagging efforts have been made during the year to increase our membership, both by muster and reinstatement. Many of my aides-de-camp have done valiant service in this direction, and proved themselves good recruiting officers.

Six hundred and fifty-five recruits have been mustered, and a little over six hundred reinstated; but time and death are inexorable in doing their perfect work.

The total membership of the Department, December 31, 1893, as shown by the report of the Assistant Adjutant General at the last Department Encampment, was as follows:

Comrades in good standing 18,611

Total membership, December 31, 1894, as shown by the report of the present Adjutant General, was as follows:

Comrades in good standing	17,126
Comrades remaining suspended	5,827
Total	22,953
Making a net loss for the year of	1,485
Net loss, 1893	1,742

And further showing that our losses are almost wholly from suspensions.

From the returns of 387 Posts in this Department, consolidated and shown by the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General, it will be observed that the finances of the department are in a good and healthy condition.

Total value of Post funds and property, December 31, 1893.....	\$68,110 29
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Gain	\$4,051 80
Total amount in relief fund of Post, 1893	\$10,077 70
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Gain	\$384 30

For further details of membership and finances, I refer you to the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, which will be submitted to the Encampment and found to be complete.

REUNIONS.

It has been my pleasure during my official term to have visited a large number of Posts, and attended reunions of our veterans at Butler, Braymer, St. James and Cameron. These gatherings in my opinion result in great good to our organization, by renewing acquaintance made long ago and re-kindling the camp fires that blazed brightly from Bull Run to Appomattox and from Camp Jackson to the Sea; the great object lesson of loyalty.

I also visited two Encampments of the Sons of Veterans; one held in Sedalia and one in Hannibal. The members were evidently gratified by this official recognition and visitation, and I am glad to state that in zeal, earnestness and correct soldierly bearing they seem to be the peers of any Grand Army Post.

The order of the Sons of Veterans deserves the hearty support of every Grand Army Post and of every comrade. It has been officially recognized as an auxiliary, and its avowed objects are solely for the benefit of the members of the Grand Army, their families and descendants. We owe the duty of encouragement and support to these valuable auxiliaries, whose organic law requires them "to aid the members of the Grand Army of the Republic in caring for their helpless and disabled

veterans; to extend aid to their widows and orphans; to perpetuate the memory and history of their heroic dead, and the proper observance of Memorial Day."

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

This order of loyal women has been officially recognized by the Grand Army of the Republic. I desire to place on record my high esteem for the acts of unselfish devotion and deeds of charity of its members in aid of needy or suffering veterans, and to commend the Woman's Relief Corps to the fostering care and guidance of the Grand Army, and more especially to the noble efforts to secure a home for the destitute comrades and their dependents.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The Twenty-eighth National Encampment, which convened in the city of Pittsburg, September 12th, 1894, was well attended by this Department; a full representation of officers and delegates being present, and three Past Department Commanders.

The conduct and bearing of the comrades of this Department in the line of march were such as to reflect honor upon this grand old State.

These encampments mark the epochs of the history of this grand organization; they are the mile stones along the line of march to the sea "of eternal rest."

MEMORIAL DAY

I am pleased to note, is now almost universally observed throughout the Department. One of the beneficent influences of the Grand Army of the Republic, and one, let us hope, which may long survive the order itself, is the establishment and maintenance of a day on which is annually commemorated the sacrifice of our heroic dead, and which the childhood and youth of the nation are taught the price of the liberties they enjoy and the duty of maintaining them.

CONSOLIDATION

Of Posts in sparsely settled districts is inevitable if we hope to maintain our membership there. I desire to suggest the idea of making it possible, where desired, for a number of Posts to consolidate for the purposes of membership, having two or more meetings per annum for Post business; the individual Posts maintaining their organization for social purposes, and to be known as Out Posts or Picket Posts, being allowed representation in the main or central Post by delegate, with the right to cast as many votes as his Out Post has members in good standing. This consolidation to embrace a county or district as may be desired.

Comrade Thos. B. Rodgers, Assistant Adjutant General of this Department, having been elected Circuit Clerk of the Circuit Court of

the City of St. Louis, tendered his resignation, to take effect December 31, 1894. Loth to lose his valuable services, yet glad to note his advancement, his resignation was accepted, to take effect as tendered, and Comrade John B. Pachall appointed as Assistant Adjutant General.

Comrade Rodgers' resignation taking effect at the end of the fiscal year, I called a meeting of a committee of the Council of Administration (consisting of the following comrades: Adam Fisher, N. W. Taylor, H. A. Hammel and F. P. Becker, Chief Mustering Officer), to examine the books and accounts of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General Rodgers, and transfer the same to his successor, which was done on January 5, 1895. In taking leave of Comrade Rodgers, I desire to add my testimony to his character, integrity and efficiency as a man, a comrade and an officer.

In conclusion, I desire to express my sense of obligation for services rendered by my associate officers, by my personal staff and the Council of Administration. In returning to you, unimpaired, the trust your suffrages imposed, I desire to express my profound sense of appreciation, not only of your confidence in the beginning, but also the uniform consideration and the courteous treatment received from you throughout the year.

Comrades, permit me to express the wish that, as your shadows lengthen in the march of life, your steps grow less steady under the weight of increasing years, and your tenure of life more uncertain as you descend the western slope and approach the borders of that dark, swift-flowing river, that you may do so conscious that your devotion to the old Flag has not been in vain, and that an appreciative, loyal, patriotic people will forever bear aloft that "emblem of liberty, equal rights and national unity."

In F., C. and L.,
LOUIS GRUND,
Department Commander.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R.,)
OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER,)
SALEM, Mo., March 29th, 1895.)

LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander, St. Louis, Mo.

Comrade: In accordance with your wish and my own inclination, I attended, during September, 1894, the Twenty-eighth National Encampment at Pittsburg, Pa., this city being my home at the outbreak of the Rebellion.

To preserve and enliven the interest in our grand organization, I have visited several Posts in this section, as also attended for two days the Fourth Annual Reunion of the Ozark Battalion at St. James, Mo., August 15th and 16th, 1894. This interesting meeting, under the direction of Commander John Livingston and Adj. A. Mueller, was a pronounced success, comradeship and good will the order of the day. Over a thousand of the brave defenders of our glorious flag were present with their families. Old war stories and incidents brought fresh to the minds of many of the boys who rode days and nights over these Ozark Mountains, expecting to hear the Bushwhacker's rifle at any time. The gray and whitened hair of these men involuntarily convince the observer that the most of us are getting too old and feeble to attend far-off encampments, but that district reunions from now hence will gain in favor and attendance. Let us then keep alive the embers of our camp fires at home as long as we are still able to go.

The comrades and citizens of St. James sincerely believe that they have, in the William James Mansion, two cottages and a number of other valuable buildings, with sixty acres of land, the most suitable and cheapest piece of property for the location of the Missouri Soldiers' Home. Being somewhat familiar with the premises and location, I heartily endorse their expressions, believing that no such property could be acquired for the sum of \$10,000 by the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps having this matter in charge. The situation, on the Main Frisco Line, is favorable, the climate milder than in the northern part of the State, and the 400 or more bearing fruit trees would furnish light employment to the inmates. For the courteous treatment extended to me by you, as also by the comrades of the Department with whom I have come in contact, I wish to express my acknowledgement and thanks.

General debility, following the ravages of "la grippe," has confined me to my home, and prevented my intended visits to other Posts in this section. For my shortcoming in this line, although involuntary, I ask the indulgence of the officers and comrades of this Department.

I remain truly yours, in F., C. and L.,

LOUIS FISCHER,
Senior Vice Department Commander.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
OFFICE OF JUNIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER, }
LEBANON, MO., March 28th, 1895. }

LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander.

Comrade: I believe it is the custom of our order to make report to you of what we have done during our administration, and I beg leave to report that I have been unable to do as much as I desired to do, as my business has interfered with my attending several re-unions held in Southwest Missouri. I had the pleasure of attending the celebration of Capture of Camp Jackson in St. Louis, when I enjoyed the pleasure of meeting you and many old comrades whom I had in former years known well, and I must say I enjoyed it very much. I have done all I could to encourage members of Posts in this part of the State who have been suspended or dropped to again attach themselves and build up our order, and I think in some places I have done some good.

I hope that I have done as near as I could what was required, and I thank you and all comrades for courtesies shown me, and congratulate you upon your able management of the office you hold.

I am yours, in F., C. and L.,

C. W. RUBEY,
Junior Vice Department Commander.



**JNO. B. PACHALL, ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL AND
ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.**

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL AND ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
ST. LOUIS, MO., APRIL 9, 1895. }

LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander:

Comrade:—In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit the annual report of the business of this office, and the condition of the Department for the year ending December 31, 1894.

My predecessor, Comrade Thos. B. Rodgers, who so long and faithfully served this Department, having been elected Clerk of the Circuit Courts of the City of St. Louis, tendered his resignation as Assistant Adjutant General, to take effect January 1, 1895.

Having through your kindness been designated as his successor, I entered upon the duties of the position with a full determination to do my part toward maintaining the high standing so long enjoyed by this Department.

By reference to previous reports, it will be observed that the total number of Posts December 31, 1893, was 453, of which number six Posts were remaining suspended, viz.: Posts 52, 99, 114, 167, 448 and 486.

The charters of ten Posts, viz.: Posts 18, 52, 99, 114, 167, 316, 363, 446, 486 and 502 were annulled by the Department Commander, by and with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, at the meeting of the last Department Encampment.

Five Posts have surrendered their charters during the year, viz.: 127, 202, 310, 315 and 541, making a loss of fifteen Posts. The membership of said Posts having nearly all joined other Posts, the loss is more apparent than real.

The number of new Posts mustered during the year was two, leaving a net loss of thirteen Posts; making the total number of Posts, December 31st, 1894, 440, of which there are remaining suspended seven, viz.: Posts 300, 309, 415, 451, 483, 508 and 523. A more particular account of the new Posts mustered will be found in the report of the Chief Mustering Officer.

The following is an abstract from the Consolidated Reports, as made to National Headquarters for the year 1894:

FIRST TERM, SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 1894.

Number in good standing Dec. 31, 1893.....		18,611
Gain by muster.....	461	
“ transfer.....	155	
“ reinstatement.....	347	
“ delinquent reports.....	35	
	938	
		19,549

Loss by death	164	
“ honorable discharge	41	
“ transfer	164	
“ suspension	909	
“ dishonorable discharge	1	
“ delinquent reports	504	1,783
Number in good standing June 30, 1894		17,766

SECOND TERM, SIX MONTHS ENDING DEC. 31, 1894.

Gain by muster	254	
“ transfer	190	
“ reinstatement	249	
“ delinquent reports	32	725
Total gain		18,491
Loss by death	152	
“ honorable discharge	30	
“ transfer	170	
“ suspension	982	
“ dishonorable discharge	3	
“ delinquent reports	28	1,365
Total Dec. 31, 1894		17,126

RECAPITULATION.

Number in good standing Dec. 31, 1893		18,611
Gain during year by muster	655	
“ “ transfer	345	
“ “ reinstatement	596	
“ “ delinquent reports	67	1,663
		20,274
Loss during year by death	316	
“ “ honorable discharge	71	
“ “ transfer	334	
“ “ suspension	1,891	
“ “ dishonorable discharge	4	
“ “ delinquent reports	532	3,148
Number in good standing, Dec. 31, 1894		17,126
“ remaining suspended, Dec. 31, 1894		5,827
Total number on rolls, Dec. 31, 1894		22,953
Number dropped during year		771
Number of comrades relieved during year		326
Number of other persons relieved during year		175
Amount expended for relief during year	\$ 3,030	80
Total amount of Post funds and property		72,162 09
Amount in the relief fund of Posts was		10,462 00
Gain in amount of Post funds		4,051 80
Gain in amount of relief fund		384 30

Considering the fact that the greater portion of our membership have literally to earn their bread by the sweat of their brow, and that the opportunity to sweat is dependent upon others who have been borne down and paralyzed by a financial stringency and consequent business depression extending all over the country, the like of which is seldom witnessed anywhere, we ought to congratulate ourselves that our losses are no greater.

As will be seen from the foregoing statement, our total gains were 1,663, our total losses 3,148, leaving a net loss of 1,485, as against 1,742 last year.

The number of posts and comrades mustered is, of course, decreasing with each recurring year. We have not only reached, but have, in my judgment, passed "high tide" in the G. A. R.

As heretofore, our greatest loss is from suspensions. We are carrying on the rolls, as suspended, 5,827 comrades. This ought not to be. My predecessor has often and strongly urged that the greater part of this number be "dropped." This should be done at once. It would be for the best interest of the Post and to the suspended comrade, for under the Rules and Regulations it is easier to reinstate a "dropped" member than one suspended.

The advancing age and increased infirmities of the comrades, which is day by day increasing our death roll, also operates to increase our suspensions.

As soon as a comrade ceases to attend his Post, from whatever cause, he quickly loses interest, and soon suspension follows. This is especially applicable to sparsely settled localities, where comrades live at considerable distances from the Posts. This, in my judgment, can be to some extent remedied by consolidating Posts for the purpose of membership, maintaining the old organization for local social purposes, to be known as Pickets or Outposts, with a right to be represented in the Post, and further, by dividing the Department into districts of proper size, for the purposes of reunions, making it possible for the Department Commander to meet with more of the comrades during his official term, thereby creating more interest, infusing new life and greater energy into our grand organization.

Our Department, as shown by the Adjutant General's reports, ranks eighth in point of membership, and will be entitled to eighteen representatives in the National Encampment.

Exhibits "A," "B," "C," "D," "E" and "F" are hereto attached and form part of this report.

In response to an appeal from our distressed comrades in Nebraska, the following numbered Posts have contributed, through this office, as follows:

Post 440, \$1.30; Post 140, \$3.00; Post 66, \$1.50; Post 385, \$2.10; Post 348, \$5.00; Post 524, \$2.70; Post 92, \$1.00; Post 86, \$5.00; Post 236, \$1.80; Post 48, \$6.75; Post 444, \$2.00; Post 173, \$3.85; Post 19,

\$2.30; Post 7, \$10.00; Post 223, \$5.00; Post 36, \$5.30; Post 72, \$5 00; Post 53, \$10.00; Post 214, \$5.50. Post 375, \$1.80; Post 73, \$1.10; Post 358, \$1.50; Post 1, \$35.00; Post 218, \$1.00; Post 197, \$2.40; Post 390, \$2.50; Post 131, \$25.00; Post 466, \$2.25; Post 292, \$2.00; Post 122, \$5.00; Post 488, \$1.00; Post 542, \$2.00; Post 13, \$23.65; Post 251, \$3.80; Post 332, \$5.00; Post 54, \$4.00; Post 177, \$2.00; Post 382, \$1.00; Post 421, \$1.15; Post 158, \$2.00; Post 181, \$2.55; Post 128, \$5.00; Post 88, \$1.35; Post 314, \$3.50; Post 233, \$5.00; Post 293, \$10.00; Comrade Stigmeyer, \$1.00; cash, 25 cts. Total, \$232.90.

In conclusion, Commander, please accept my sincere thanks for the honor conferred upon me. Our official intercourse, though short, has been marked by that spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty which has given character and standing to our great organization in the past, and is its bulwark for the future.

Your zeal and untiring energy in maintaining this Department intact and unimpaired, must command the hearty endorsement of all our comrades.

To my predecessor, Comrade Thos. B. Rodgers, my thanks are due for very valuable assistance, and for important information pertaining to the business of this office, which he is so competent to give.

Grateful to all the officers and comrades of this Department for their kindness and courtesy, I have the honor to be,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Asst. Adj. Gen. and Asst. Q. M. G.

EXHIBIT "A."

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 1894.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, December 31, 1893.....		\$2,389 58
Received from per capita tax	\$3,458 44	
" " charter fees	45 00	
" " requisitions	543 35	
" " interest on loan	520 00	4,566 79
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		\$6,956 37

EXPENDITURES.

Supplies:

Membership badges	\$ 159 25	
Buttoniers	60 00	
Rank straps	28 90	
Books, blanks, etc	45 46	
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		\$ 293 61

Expenses:

Rent of office, twelve months	466 00	
Printing and stationery	250 95	
Printing Department Encampment Proceed- ings	305 40	
Salary of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General	2,000 00	
Salary of Department Inspector	200 00	
Postage	292 11	
Per capita tax	454 71	
Relief	55 75	
Removing office	13 00	
Engrossing charter and commission	8 70	
Badges for Department Encampment	35 00	
Stenographer Department Encampment	87 90	
Expenses at National Encampment	71 00	
Book binding and ledger	13 75	
Insurance	8 50	
Office boy	208 00	
Incidentals	61 87	

Traveling Expenses:

Department Commander Burton	\$ 123 80	
Department Commander Grund	17 00	
Assistant Adjutant General Rodgers	66 65	207 45
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		\$5,033 70

Balance on hand December 31, 1894		\$1,922 67
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EXHIBIT "B."

STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES PURCHASED, ISSUED AND ON HAND FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1894.

	On Hand Dec. 31, 1893.	Purchased.	Total.	Issued.	On Hand Dec. 31, 1894.	Value of Supplies on Hand.
Membership badges.....	100	455	555	501	54	\$ 27 00
Buttoniers.....	208	1,000	1,208	1,206	2	20
Rank straps.....	250	170	420	173	247	86 25
Official ribbons.....		200	200	192	8	80
Rules and regulations.....	112		112	111	1	5
Applications.....	540	1,069	1,609	1,368	241	1 45
Order and record books.....	1	8	9	9		
Cash books.....	3	6	9	9		
Descriptive books.....	4	2	6	6		
Quartermasters' receipt books.....	92		92	45	47	23 50
Quartermasters' warrant books.....	8	10	18	12	6	4 50
Roll books.....	35	2	37	5	32	24 00
Black books.....		3	3	3		
Charters.....	8	10	18	13	5	1 25
Discharges.....	98	20	118	64	54	2 70
Transfers.....	65	400	465	406	59	2 95
Leaves of absence.....	8	200	208	103	105	4 20
Odes.....	33	116	149	83	66	1 32
Service books.....		51	51	51		
Rituals.....		24	24	18	6	2 25
Certificates of membership.....	332		332	155	177	17 70
Blue books.....		10	10	6	4	4 00
Department badges, plain.....	303		303	18	285	217 75
Department badges, silver tops.....	49		49	1	48	48 00
						\$469 87

EXHIBIT "C."

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY ON HAND.

Desks	2	Packing trunk	1
Chairs	7	Flag	1
Tables	2	Letter scale	1
Book case	1	Letter file	24
Case for blanks	1	Sword belts	9
Case for supplies	1	Gavels	6
Chest of drawers	1	Charter, framed	1
Cases for pigeon holes	1	Map of Missouri	1
Typewriter	1	Adjutant General's report of Illinois, volumes	8
Letter press	1	Roster Wisconsin Volunteers, volumes	2
Official seal	1	Journals, National Encampment	2
Cuspidor	1	Journals, Department of Mis- souri	2
Waste basket	1	History, G. A. R. (Beath)	1
Carpets	1	Portrait, Gen. Grant	1
Rugs	2	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Kimball	1
Sets of books	3	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Phelps	1
Slide boxes	512	Other pictures, framed	5
Letter books	2	Sate	1
Dating stamp	1		
Die for Department badges	1		
Ink stands	3		
Department banner and case	1		
Pair stirrups	1		

EXHIBIT "D."

DEPARTMENT ASSETS.

Cash balance December 31, 1894	\$ 1,922 67
Amount invested with accrued interest	6,823 33
Office furniture	840 00
Supplies	469 87
Ledger balances	55 25
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	\$10,111 12

NOTE.—Investment No. 1, known as Mesmer loan, \$1,500.00, secured by deed of trust. Investment No. 2, known as Phelps loan, \$5,000.00, secured by second deed of trust.

EXHIBIT "E."

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF SUCH POSTS AS HAVE OVERPAID OR WERE
IN ARREARS, DECEMBER 31, 1894.

No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
2	\$ 70 40	\$ 70 10	\$ 0 30		102	\$ 4 80	\$ 4 70	\$ 10	
5	23 05	23 15		10	104	9 70	6 40	3 30	
7	51 40	51 90		50	106	13 65	12 75	90	
14	27 20	27 10	10		107	47 55	47 25	30	
16	24 35	24 48		13	115	10 91	10 76	15	
17	32 00	31 90	10		119	22 80	22 60	20	
20	9 70	9 80		10	120	3 65	3 50	15	
21	29 25	29 10	15		122	7 60	7 50	10	
25	7 50	7 65		15	130	5 98	4 60	1 38	
29	15 00	15 10		10	131	163 00	162 70	30	
31	11 70	8 40	3 30		133	2 50	2 40	10	
32	11 70	11 60	10		134	3 80	3 85		05
34	12 50	12 45	05		141	16 71	15 86	85	
38	10 45	10 25	20		145	5 90	6 00		10
36	8 50	8 55		05	150	13 30	12 60	70	
39	5 80	5 10	70		154	3 88	3 20	68	
42	6 90	6 97		07	158	8 35	8 15	20	
47	9 90	10 00		10	162	7 60	7 20	40	
48	26 60	26 50	10		164	3 10	3 22		12
49	3 20	3 54		34	166	3 70	3 60	10	
50	6 80	7 20		40	168	12 35	12 25	10	
51	6 00	9 93		93	172	16 75	16 85		10
54	17 20	17 10	10		175	18 05	18 45		40
57	13 05	13 10		05	180	5 60	5 55	05	
58	23 60	23 75		15	181	13 10	13 00	10	
59	5 60	5 89		29	182	12 60	11 10	1 50	
60	7 50	7 60		10	186	5 82	4 10	1 72	
61	8 30	8 60		30	187	10 80	9 90	90	
69	16 60	16 50	10		188	4 75	4 85		10
72	23 01	22 96	05		190	4 10	3 60	50	
73	5 00	5 20		20	197	15 70	16 30		60
75	5 55	3 70	1 85		201	1 90	1 80	10	
76	6 95	6 40	55		206	7 10	6 00	1 10	
81	6 70	6 60	10		209	12 20	4 10	8 10	
84	5 30	4 20	1 10		211	4 80	4 55	25	
86	11 01	10 30	71		212	5 25	5 20	05	
90	3 50	3 00	50		215	25 90	26 00		10
96	12 10	11 30	80		216	8 30	8 35		05
97	11 70	13 48		1 78	218	4 85	4 10	75	
101	3 80	4 80		1 00	223	17 90	18 00		10

NOTE.—This statement does not include the *per capita* tax for second term of 1894, except where it was paid before January 1 1895. Posts not having reported for the first term of 1894, or prior, are not included.

No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
229	\$ 5 30	\$3 90	\$ 1 40	\$	356	\$ 1 09	\$ 1 00	\$ 09	\$
232	14 10	14 20		10	359	4 60	4 80	20	
233	14 55	14 50	05		360	5 30	4 90	40	
237	6 90	7 00		10	362	5 50	5 60		10
239	12 80	12 20	60		366	9 10	9 50		40
241	9 00	8 20	80		367	7 30	7 50		20
243	15 50	17 50		2 00	375	12 18	11 93	23	
244	5 10	4 60	50		377	12 10	11 90	20	
247	17 10	16 60	50		378	10 00	9 70	30	
249	4 40	4 90		50	382	8 90	9 00		10
250	3 50	3 20	10		383	6 00	5 90	10	
251	15 14	15 10	04		386	7 30	7 39		09
254	6 00	6 10		10	390	10 60	9 40	1 20	
257	11 20	11 30		10	391	13 80	13 70	10	
258	8 20	7 45	75		397	1 80	2 20		40
261	17 60	17 90		30	398	7 00	7 40		40
262	5 10	4 70	40		407	9 15	8 80	35	
263	13 60	13 50	10		408	5 00	5 10		10
269	4 10	5 05		95	410	2 65	3 00		35
271	4 00	4 10		10	411	10 80	11 50		70
273	20 15	19 85	30		412	3 90	3 80	10	
278	5 20	2 80	2 40		413	4 10	4 20		10
279	5 20	5 40		20	414	7 50	7 50		20
285	5 80	4 35	1 45		417	3 90	3 95		05
286	7 40	6 60	80		418	5 70	4 80	90	
288	4 50	4 30	20		419	3 80	3 60	20	
290	7 10	6 90	20		424	6 33	6 20	13	
292	8 90	9 60		10	426	4 70	4 90		20
293	10 80	10 70	10		428	9 55	9 35	20	
294	9 05	8 20	85		429	9 80	10 00		20
298	4 40	4 60		20	430	4 80	4 70	10	
301	12 00	15 40		3 40	431	3 30	3 40		10
302	40	1 10		70	432	4 90	5 30		40
303	3 00	3 27		27	433	2 73	2 60	13	
305	5 30	5 20	10		437	5 70	5 60	10	
311	8 60	6 50	2 10		452	2 30	2 35		05
312	10 50	11 60		1 10	454	3 70	3 60	10	
314	7 05	6 85	20		455	4 50	4 40	10	
318	4 80	4 90		10	457	3 60	3 75		15
319	1 70	1 30	40		458	7 10	7 60		50
322	7 50	7 20	30		459	2 60	2 70		10
330	10 20	10 53		33	461	2 80	2 60	20	
331	7 70	8 00		30	462	7 35	7 05	30	
332	17 10	16 40	70		463	3 60	3 50	10	
335	3 10	4 60		1 50	465	7 60	7 50	10	
337	9 20	9 10	10		468	6 60	6 92		32
339	20 40	20 30	10		469	6 70	5 80	90	
342	8 83	5 30	3 53		478	7 10	6 90	20	
343	23 50	23 00	50		479	6 10	6 15		05
345	9 80	9 60	20		481	4 60	3 80	80	
347	6 70	6 80		10	485	4 80	4 20	60	
348	10 50	10 60		10	488	4 20	4 60		40
353	5 00	4 90	10		490	4 60	4 50	10	

No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
493	\$ 8 00	\$ 6 30	\$ 1 70	\$.....	517	\$ 3 40	\$ 3 20	\$ 20	\$.....
494	8 00	2 80	20	.....	519	7 40	7 50	.....	10
495	7 90	8 10	.....	20	520	5 30	3 40	1 90	.....
501	4 30	2 80	1 50	.....	521	2 70	3 30	.....	60
504	4 10	3 90	20	.....	527	8 10	8 00	10	.....
505	5 30	4 75	55	.....	531	4 95	5 00	.....	05
506	4 40	5 15	.....	75	533	3 40	3 50	.....	10
509	6 60	4 60	2 00	.....	537	3 90	3 60	30	.....
513	2 20	1 10	1 10	.....	538	8 40	4 82	3 58	.....
514	9 30	8 90	40	.....	540	7 48	7 40	08	.....
515	5 10	4 00	1 10	.....	542	5 50	5 40	10	.....
516	8 95	5 70	3 25	.....				

EXHIBIT "F."

STATEMENT SHOWING MEMBERSHIP IN GOOD STANDING OF EACH POST,
WITH GAINS AND LOSSES.

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing		GAIN.	Loss.
			1893	1894		
Frank P. Blair.....	1	St. Louis.....	722	702	.....	20
General Lyon.....	2	St. Louis.....	239	220	.....	19
Admiral Farragut.....	3	Kansas City.....	172	114	.....	58
McPherson.....	4	Kansas City.....	238	230	.....	8
A. Lincoln.....	5	Moberly.....	103	92	.....	11
James A. Garfield.....	6	Jefferson City.....	125	101	.....	24
Custer.....	7	St. Joseph.....	176	171	.....	5
Geo. H. Thomas.....	8	Kansas City.....	240	209	.....	31
General Canby.....	10	Rich Hill.....	78	50	.....	28
James A. Mulligan.....	11	Lexington.....	35	27	.....	8
Ellsworth.....	12	Grant City.....	82	71	.....	11
Col. Hassendeubel.....	13	St. Louis.....	643	597	.....	46
O. P. Morton.....	14	Joplin.....	132	106	.....	26
Stanton.....	16	Carthage.....	120	118	.....	2
Joe Hooker.....	17	Cameron.....	106	114	8	.....
Phil. Kearney.....	19	Laclede.....	46	47	1	.....
Maj. James Wilson.....	20	Louisiana.....	28	55	27	.....
Sedgwick.....	21	Maryville.....	140	145	5	.....
Corporal Dix.....	22	Kirksville.....	138	121	.....	17
F. A. Jones.....	23	Macon City.....	53	70	17	.....
David A. Roberts.....	25	Glenwood.....	31	33	2	.....
General Jos. Bailey.....	26	Nevada.....	68	78	10	.....
Tindall.....	29	Chillicothe.....	76	76	.....	.....
Nodaway.....	30	Burlington Junction.....	16	10	.....	6
Captain Wagoner.....	31	Independence.....	33	33	.....	.....
S. A. Hurlburt.....	32	Hamilton.....	51	42	.....	9
Ben. Loan.....	33	Kingston.....	40	43	3	.....
McCook.....	34	Lamar.....	59	55	.....	4
Paddy Shields.....	36	Clarence.....	47	37	.....	10
Colonel Forbes.....	38	La Plata.....	52	40	.....	12
Roderick Rockwood.....	39	Nenia.....	32	27	.....	5
Peabody.....	41	Savannah.....	42	41	.....	1
Albert Chandler.....	42	Macon.....	35	35	.....	.....
Wm. T. Sherman.....	43	Hannibal.....	143	140	.....	3
McCullough.....	44	Milan.....	45	48	3	.....
Christian Meyer.....	45	Oregon.....	50	47	.....	3
Perry V. Fletcher.....	46	De Soto.....	20	23	3	.....
Captain J. L. Clark.....	47	Green City.....	30	27	3
Gen. Geo. G. Meade.....	48	Lebanon.....	111	135	24
Captain D. M. Birch.....	49	Edgerton.....	16	16

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			1893	1894		
Harrisonville.....	50	Harrisonville.....	30	15		15
Col. F. Schaefer.....	51	Concordia.....	28	33	5	
Gen. Geo. R. Smith.....	53	Sedalia.....	173	208	35	
Thomas G. Wade.....	54	Unionville.....	93	81		12
Reynolds.....	56	Graham.....	30	30		
O. H. Wood.....	57	Brookfield.....	64	62		2
Bates County.....	58	Butler.....	92	96	4	
Gen. H. Blunt.....	59	Pollock.....	28	26		2
Gen. Wadsworth.....	60	Dawn.....	38	37		1
Valentine Peters.....	61	Maitland.....	31	25		6
Winfield Scott.....	63	Holden.....	57	49		8
Golden City.....	64	Golden City.....	21			
Mound City.....	65	Mound City.....	40	29		11
Kilpatrick.....	66	Winston.....	26	37	11	
Tarkio.....	67	Tarkio.....	17	23	6	
Gen. E. D. Baker.....	68	Green Ridge.....	36			
Capt. John Mathews.....	69	Springfield.....	67	82	15	
B. B. King.....	70	Canton.....	34	30		4
Col. Jacob Smith.....	72	Trenton.....	128	101		27
Johnson Downen.....	73	Sticklerville.....	27	20		7
Greenfield.....	75	Greenfield.....	37	37		
John A. Dix.....	76	Kidder.....	48	43		5
Col. Grover.....	78	Warrensburg.....	132	124		8
Capt. Stanley.....	79	Princeton.....	23	15		8
Rousseau.....	80	Ravanna.....	31			
L. W. Cooper.....	81	Lathrop.....	33	34	1	
Yeager-Sharp.....	82	Wellsville.....	45	45		
Curtis.....	84	Sarcoxie.....	20	17		3
Lookout.....	85	Shelbina.....	17	15		2
King City.....	86	King City.....	57	48		9
C. G. Harker.....	88	Meadville.....	26	27	1	
Capt. J. H. Paynter.....	90	Jericho.....	16	17	1	
T. H. Richardson.....	92	Lancaster.....	21	21		
Capt. C. C. Harvey.....	86	Maysville.....	57	54		3
Gen. G. B. Boomer.....	97	Linn.....	57	39		18
Franklin Shanks.....	100	Lutesville.....	34	36	2	
Wm. E. Wood.....	101	Lindersville.....	19	14		5
Shelbyville.....	102	Shelbyville.....	23	23		
Chilhowee.....	103	Chilhowee.....	15			
Nichols.....	104	Gallatin.....	31	23		8
Arthur Crockett.....	106	Marshall.....	39	39		
Harry P. Harding.....	107	St. Louis.....	187	186		1
Jeff. C. Davis.....	108	Versailles.....	37	33		4
B. K. Davis.....	109	Hopkins.....	40	37		3
Wm. McKee.....	110	Kahoka.....	108	89		19
Miles Carroll.....	111	Iberia.....	113			
Cameron Garrett.....	115	Carl Junction.....	29	31	2	
Hardy Smith.....	117	Quitman.....	23	22		1
Jewell.....	118	Mt. Vernon.....	45	42		3
Marion.....	119	Stanberry.....	82	62		20

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			1893	1894		
Maple Grove	120	Maple Grove	22	14		8
Webster	121	Cora				
Virgil Rogers	122	Martinstown	23	26	3	
Lieut. T. D. Neal	124	Bethany	122	127	5	
Jas. Marques	127	Edina				
Salem	128	Salem	79	77		2
Capt. J. H. Little	129	Denver	17	13		4
Fred. Miller	130	Tina	15	35	20	
Ransom	131	St. Louis	520	501		19
Gardner	133	Utica	15	10		5
Gentry	134	Albany	48	31		17
Sergeant B. H. Porch	135	Olean	16	16		
Gen. J. G. Foster	137	Neosho	2			
Marionville	141	Marionville	44	37		7
Stephen Decatur	142	Medoc	23	20		3
Samuel McClure	145	Eldon	63	31		32
Avalon	146	Avalon	31	25		6
Akron	147	Akron				
J. J. Graveley	149	Bolivar	70	48		22
Liberty	150	Spickardsville	45	46	1	
D. N. Keeler	152	Melrose	61	56		5
Thos. Weber	154	Arbela	16	15		1
Loyalty	155	Creighton	38	38		
Geo. Miller	158	Bethel	43	46	3	
Alex. D. Hickman	159	Shibley's Point				
Col. Henry E. Gilbert	160	Wheeling	33	34	1	
Gen. Frank J. Herron	161	Buffalo	21	27	6	
Marshall	162	Elmo	25	27	2	
Col. Islam Keith	164	Breckentidge	31	24		7
Menke	166	La Grange	17	18	1	
Jesse H. Moore	168	Elk Grove	30	44	14	
Fillmore	170	Fillmore	35	35		
J. N. Whitehead	171	Victoria	23	25	2	
Gen. J. B. Steadman	172	Appleton City	41	42	1	
Justi	173	Cape Girardeau	90	77		13
Maj. Hiram Gavitt	174	Fredericktown	21	20		1
Seneca	175	Seneca	46	46		
Indian Springs	176	Indian Springs	13	13		
W. H. L. Wallace	177	Moundville	18	17		1
Stephen Estle	178	De Witt	36	36		
Capt. W. G. Murray	179	Memphis	79			
Stambaugh	180	Austin	28	30	2	
Mansfield	181	Powersville	37	51	14	
Gen. Chester Harding	182	St. Joseph	88	66		22
Erich Pape	184	Bollinger Mills	35	41	6	
Major Hunt	185	New London	36	39	3	
Windsor	186	Windsor	27	26		1
John A. Rawlins	187	Pierce City	31	32	1	
John D. Mullins	188	Linneus	26	26		
Gen. Henry Wilson	189	Rolla	46	46		0

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			1893	1894		
Webb City.....	190	Webb City.....	25	27	2	
Austin Hubbard.....	194	Stockton.....	46			
Col. Morsey.....	197	Warrenton.....	54	48		6
Rogersville.....	200	Rogersville.....	26	30	4	
Bradshaw.....	201	Mt. Moriah.....	31	20		11
W. S. Thomas.....	202	Muscle Fork.....	16			
Aaron Brokaw.....	203	Luray.....				
George N. McGee.....	206	Richmond.....	8	22	14	
Col. Brooks.....	207	Hannibal.....				
Edward Wray.....	209	Linn Creek.....				
McCroskey.....	210	North Springfield.....	24	18		6
Isaac Clevenger.....	211	Excelsior Springs.....	19	21	2	
George Taylor.....	212	Richmond.....	20			
Jas. A. K. Dillon.....	213	Lindley.....	13	12		1
Sergeant Ryan.....	214	Brashear.....	55	53		2
Picket.....	215	Farmington.....	94	82		12
Cainsville.....	216	Cainsville.....	39	40	1	
Bennett Ford.....	217	Williamstown.....	10	10		
John Williams.....	218	Fairport.....	21	16		5
Republic.....	219	Republic.....	39	38		1
Jamesport.....	220	Jamesport.....	37	33		4
Norcross.....	221	Novelty.....	39	41	2	
S. L. Turley.....	222	Bancroft.....	43	44	1	
Reuben Dale.....	223	Eagleville.....	75	81	6	
Guy Ward.....	224	Hale.....	20	20		
Marshfield.....	225	Marshfield.....	21			
John Kinnett.....	226	Jameson.....	22	22		
Col. Almstaedt.....	227	Fenton.....	21	21		
Union.....	229	Laddonia.....	25	22		3
And. Hightower.....	231	Kansas City.....	20			
Lieut. S. A. M. George.....	232	Humansville.....	55	71	16	
Thos. J. Brouster.....	233	Clayton.....	58	41		17
Ash Grove.....	234	Ash Grove.....	40			
Gen. Fred. D. Steele.....	235	Montrose.....	29	28		1
U. S. Grant.....	236	Lincoln.....	12	12		
Farnsworth.....	237	Warsaw.....	23	22		1
W. S. Hancock.....	239	Mexico.....	44	39		5
John A. Hayn.....	240	Boonville.....	149	106		43
Galt.....	241	Galt.....	25	29	4	
Pattonsburg.....	242	Pattonsburg.....	25	18		7
Andy Smith.....	243	Willow Springs.....	29	42	13	
Fred. Steele.....	244	Cole Camp.....	25	23		2
Jack Grant.....	245	Knox City.....	24	26	2	
John W. Rollins.....	247	West Plains.....	33	36	3	
Guthrie.....	248	North Salem.....				
Fordland.....	249	Fordland.....	22			
Ulysses.....	250	Mirabile.....	16	15		1
Col. Leonard.....	251	Eldorado Springs.....	46	57	11	
Mt. McGregor.....	252	Sprague.....	10	11	1	
Mt. Pleasant.....	253	Belton.....				

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			1893	1894		
J. N. Hilton	254	Forsyth	29	30	1	
John Boon	257	Licking	58	53		5
Mitchell	258	Gatewood	23	27	4	
Blanchard	260	S. Blanchard	20	19		1
Sergeant-Major McIntosh	261	Hermitage	95	81		14
Johnson	262	Centralia	17	13		4
Cuba	263	Cuba	48	52	4	
Morgan L. Smith	264	Deepwater	60	59		1
Billings	266	Billings	23	22		1
Pinhart	268	Brunswick	71	68		3
Sergeant Plummer	269	Sparta	10	31	21	
Baker	271	Pineville	13	12		1
Vidette	272	Malden	24			
Difani	273	Perryville	103	85		18
Norwood	274	Norwood	21	18		3
Albert Thompson	275	Gainesville				
Henry Brown	276	Clarksburg	156	160	4	
Seymour	277	Seymour	31	30		1
John Kelsey	278	Cosby	22	21		1
Edinburg	279	Edinburg	26	26		
A. S. Norton	280	Modena	31	30		1
David Slake	281	Omaha	14			
Wakefield Standley	282	Carrollton	46	34		12
Wakefield	283	Fair Play	41	42	1	
Geo. G. Bryan	284	Belgrade	50	50		
Jim Carnes	285	Rock Port	29	17		12
Chas. Sumner	286	Boonville	32	34	2	
Warren	287	Rockville	21	18		3
Thos. S. Staples	288	Fairmont	17	12		5
Major Bartlett	289	Troy	41	32		9
Fred. Hecker	290	Pacific	33	30		3
Robert McElroy	291	Clarksville				
Thos. A. Read	292	Ebenezer	40	39		1
George Gamble	293	Hemker	34	32		2
Col. Geiger	294	Highlandville	41	41		
Capt. Blandowsky	296	New Haven	19	18		1
John S. Phelps	297	St. James	53	58	5	
Stewartsville	298	Stewartsville	10	12	2	
C. A. Arthur	299	Mansfield	78	78		
Chas. Demny	301	St. Louis	43	36		7
Neglev	302	Ottomer	9	6		3
Bob Ford	303	Coffeysburg	20	11		9
John A. Logan	304	St. Louis	50	51	1	
Ben. Grigsby	305	Roads	26	26		
Freeport	307	Roy	17			
Franklin	308	Stoutsville	14			
Major A. B. Carroll	310	Jackson	22			
Geo. W. Tyler	311	Ford	23	30	7	
Dan McCook	312	Leesville	43	48	5	
Wm. F. Lane	313	Strafford	24	24		

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			1893	1894		
John D. Rohye.....	314	Cedar Hill	28	26	2
General Hunter	317	Lamonte.....	14	14	
Jesse M. Harbin.....	318	Puxico.....	27	17	.....	10
Captain Mack	319	Green Ridge	14	10	.....	4
Captain Manwaring.....	320	Hermann	64	63	.....	1
Captain J. M. Baird	322	Verona	35	34	.....	1
Galena	323	Galena.....	32		.....
George V. Pitts.....	324	Sullivan.....	15	15	.....
Lockwood.....	325	Lockwood.....			.....
J. Felix St. James.....	326	Ste. Genevieve	69	70	1	.....
Adrian.....	327	Adrian.....	22	21	.....	1
Simp. Mason.....	328	Bakersfield.....			.....
Gordon Granger	329	Clinton	70	68	.....	2
Jonah W. Reser	330	Urbana	53	40	.....	13
John P. McCluney.....	331	Higginsville.....	45	34	.....	11
James W. Owens.....	332	Washington	85	77	.....	8
J. H. Hart.....	333	Piedmont	20	11	.....	9
Gen. Washburn	334	O'Day	19		.....
H. G. Blake	335	Panacea	27	18	.....	9
James Ward.....	337	Jasper.....	43	41	.....	2
Lieut. John Baxter	338	Purdy.....			.....
Houston.....	339	Houston	67	66	.....	1
Evans	340	Economy	38	32	.....	6
Sergt. L. J. Roach	342	Montreal.....	26	27	1	.....
Colonel Shaw.....	343	St. Louis	103	76	.....	27
Franz Wilhelmi.....	344	Union	32	20	.....	12
Jesse Owens	345	Bear Creek.....	51	47	.....	4
Iron	346	Ironton	38	31	.....	7
Levi F. Pennington.....	347	Truxton.....	30	25	.....	6
Henry C. Beckett	348	Mineral Point.....	54	52	.....	2
Captain James Johnson.....	350	Arnsberg.....	25	25	.....
Joseph Martin.....	351	Norborne	26		.....
Pardee	352	Cabool.....	18		.....
Sergt. P. P. Mabrey.....	354	Center Ridge.....	13	16	3	.....
Dixon	355	Dixon	35	39	3	.....
Zincite	356	Zincite.....	11	10	.....	1
R. L. Ferguson	358	Sweet Springs.....	36	36	.....
Splitlog	359	Splitlog.....	26		.....
Daniel Miles.....	360	Iantha	18	20	2	.....
Fulton.....	361	Fulton .....			.....
Sac River.....	362	Seybert	17	19	2	.....
Captain McFarland	364	New Florence	10		.....
Appleton.....	365	Appleton.....	36	28	.....	8
Upton	366	Sheridan	30	25	.....	5
Roscoe	367	Roscoe	23	24	1	.....
John V. Wilson.....	368	Mack's Creek.....			.....
Samuel Lewis.....	370	Cunningham.....	21	20	.....	1
Rocky Comfort.....	371	Rocky Comfort.....	42	41	1
Colonel Putnam	373	Allendale	34	35	1
R. P. Carnes.....	374	Dunlap	26	25	1

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			1893	1894		
Harwood	375	Harwood	46	37		9
Capt. J. W. Robertson	377	Ozark	31	35	4	
Iuka	378	Johnson City	20	22	2	
Capt. Tom Walker	379	Leora	54	53		1
Commerce	382	Commerce	28	26		2
Jas. A. Dollans	383	Mountain View	33			
Dawn	384	Osceola	54	45		9
Long Lane	385	Long Lane				
Albert Harrison	386	Climax Springs	38	34		4
Marceline	387	Marceline	61	36		25
Geo. E. Wells	389	Lucerne				
Jacob Yount	390	Younts	51	46		5
Pike	391	Bowling Green	59	61	2	
South West City	392	South West City	18	15		3
Capt. J. A. Bowers	393	Milford	37	30		7
Lieut. Wm. Brawner	394	Patton	17	17		
Andrew Chester	395	Oronogo	32	32		
Brookline	397	Brookline	12	9		3
Phil. Sheridan	398	Walnut Grove	36	31		5
Capt. Louis F. Bierwirth	402	Cape Girardeau	14	14		
George Long	403	Cave Spring				
Cavalry	404	Clarksdale				
Durbin A. Ward	405	Pickering	32	32		
Corporal Duke	406	Garrison	22	20		2
Conway	407	Conway	42	39		3
Col. Kregel	408	St. Peters	38	25		13
John Shelton	409	Palace	19			
John H. Kendall	410	Brazito	14	11		3
Capt. Kelsoe	411	Astoria	45	47	2	
John R. Downing	412	Newark	17	16		1
Richland	413	Dora		20		
David Hewitt	414	Louisburg	36	36		
Tiff City	416	Tiff City	14	12		2
Smithton	417	Smithton	24	21		3
Sergeant Clay Shaw	418	Sedalia	33	21		12
Walden Emory	419	Decaturville	13			
Fred. Roether	420	Montgomery City	34	29		5
Captain Bradway	421	Crocker	21	23	2	
J. B. Dorr	422	Newtown				
Florence	423	Florence				
Col. A. J. Webber	424	Wakenda	34	32		2
Lieut. Wm. Hawkins	425	Brumley	48	49	1	
Hunnewell	426	Hunnewell	24	23		1
John C. Culver	427	Sue City	19			
Thos. Gordon	428	Polo	33	32		1
John V. Hoover	429	Elkland	50	46		4
Holt	430	Craig	23	23		
Jos. L. Wray	431	Egypt Mills	17	15		2
Columbia	432	Columbia	16	25	9	
David D. Porter	433	Mountain Grove	22	27	5	
J. B. Wicker	434	Richland	37	41	4	

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1893	1894		
Thos. Shelton	435	Gehm	21	22	1	
Jos. A. Mower	436	Hartville	50			
Simon Cameron	437	Cross Timbers	28	29	1	
C. M. Anderson	439	Advance	20			
Gen. Hazen	440	Foster	16	26	10	
Alton	441	Alton	35	15		20
Hume	442	Hume	22	22		
Elwood Miller	444	St. Louis	60	40		20
Gideon T. Potter	445	Steelville				
Obediah Gray	446	Moody	14	17	3	
Captain Bauer	447	Berger	21	19		2
Fair Grove	449	Fair Grove	24	26	2	
David Peeves	450	Smithville	13	13		
Tipton	452	Tipton	12	12		
E. E. Kimball	453	Middletown	52	42		10
Calhoun	454	Calhoun	18	14		4
McClain	455	Centretown	23	22		1
DeKalb	456	DeKalb	39	28		11
Warren T. Stewart	457	Benton	34	30		4
Col. J. P. Brownlow	458	Plew	13	15	2	
John Whaling	459	St. Joseph	27	24		3
Capt. J. S. Robb	461	Jenkins	30	23		7
Ephraim Gaither	462	Aurora	35	33		2
Robt. Taylor	463	Odessa	36	37	1	
Captain Mace	464	Logan's Creek	23	21		2
Louis Duemler	465	St. Clair	39	33		6
Vandalia	466	Vandalia	29	30	1	
Seaman	467	Harris	11	19	8	
Major Leonard	468	Higbee	20	22	2	
Lieutenant Brooks	469	Ashland	33			
Gen. Geo. Crook	470	Slater				
Ethel	471	Ethel	17	15		2
Callaway	472	Fulton	18	16		2
L. A. Weathermon	473	Clyde	23	17		6
Gov. Andrew	475	Birch Tree	23	23		
Colonel Parkinson	476	Springfield	13			
Sumner	477	New Cambria	26	17		9
New Union	478	New Union Church	35	29		6
T. R. Lane	479	Montreal	20	21	1	
Green Hampton	480	Protom	40			
Goulding	481	Buckhart	31	22		9
Johu C. Fremont	482	Norris	25	16		9
W. D. Porter	484	Hendrickson	16			
Geo. B. McClellan	485	Washington	27	20		7
Dillard Bell	487	Elmer	23	15		8
L. Stevenson	488	Pocahontas	21	22	1	
Major Ennis	489	Greentop	32	22		10
W. W. Leggett	490	Duncan's Bridge	24	22		2
Eagle	492	Monett	7	13	6	
Freeland	493	Hardin	15			
Jas. H. Fort	494	Greencastle	15	14		1

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			1893	1894		
E. D. Brown.....	495	Lead Mine	40	38		2
Colonel Meumann	496	St. Louis	165	168	3	
Major Montgomery	498	Ardeola	11			
John S. Miller	499	Gullford	10	10		
Kinney Lucas	500	Ardmore				
Savon Parker	501	Chillicothe	14	10		4
Daniel Dawson	502	Salisbury				
Monroe Lee	504	Golden	16	18	2	
Col. P. Cornyn	505	Chamois	38	32		6
John Tietjens	506	Indian Grove	31	45	14	
Major Worthington	507	Shell Knob	15	23	8	
John Brown	508	Salisbury				
Isaac Smith	509	Brunswick	23	23		
Whitesville	510	Whitesville	26			
General Butord	511	Louisiana	15			
Harrison A. Gleim	512	Tipton	59	61	2	
Wm. Burris	513	Glasgow	11	10		1
Jesse Turnage	514	Rayville	26	34	8	
Liberal	515	Liberal	18			
J. H. Crenshaw	516	Carterville	31	28		3
Parnell City	517	Parnell	18	17		1
John Martin	519	Fusculmbia	38			
F. M. Slagle	520	Exeter	17	21	4	
Papinsville	521	Papinsville	14	14		
Duncan	522	Bowling Green	13	13		
Thos. L. Bounds	523	Gorin				
Drexel	524	Drexel	30	31	1	
Geo. W. Murphy	525	Cowgill	30	27		3
Geo. W. Walker	526	Darlington	15	13		2
Boone	527	Columbia	31			
Max Latimer	528	Downing				
Ben. Lewis	529	Glasgow	19	19		
Adjutant Pratt	530	Mexico				
Belmont	531	Bolckow	25	24		1
Flag Springs	532	Flag Springs	17	17		
Capt. John Turney	533	Plattsburg	17	12		5
Sergeant Welch	534	Ponce de Leon	35			
Samuel Warner	535	Laredo	29			
Aldrich	536	Aldrich	31	26		5
Tecumseh	537	Blackwater	18	22	4	
Isabella	538	Isabella	33			
Tilman Smith	539	Moberly	17	13		4
J. H. Weirich	540	Spring Bluff	23	27	4	
Sewell W. Smith	541	Edwards	18			
W. H. Harrison	542	Bland	27	28	1	
S. S. Bell	543	Festus	18	20	2	
Gen. Jere M. Rusk	544	St. Charles	21	25	4	
Ridgeway	545	Ridgeway	14	34	20	
T. L. Hampton	546	Newport	18	18		
Col. J. H. Stover	547	Aurora Springs		11		
Wm. A. Mills	548	Bovless Mills		18		

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE,
 SEDALIA, MO., March 22, 1895. }

LOUIS GRUND, Commander Department of Mo., G. A. R.

Dear Sir and Comrade: The undersigned Judge Advocate on the Staff of the Department Commander makes the following report:

I will say first that in the main the comrades have done very well during the year, or else the Department Commander has been able to dispose of most of the cases that arose without troubling his Judge Advocate.

I think there were but three questions submitted to me pertaining to courts martial, and one a question of whether or no a matter then in question was a proper matter to be considered in a Post meeting and whether a certain ruling of the Post Commander in that case was right. As to this last, I am and always have been, in doubt as to whether it was a matter that the Department Commander or the Judge Advocate should be called on to give an opinion on, but being called on by the Department Commander, I gave him my views. I am quite sure, however, that no benefit would be derived from taking the matter up further in this report, and will say no more about that.

The first case of court martial submitted to me was of the trial of a comrade, who, it was charged, made complaint before a Justice of the Peace against certain comrades of his Post, as it would seem, charging them with a riot or disturbing the peace. The offense being committed at the Post meeting while the Post was in session; and that on the trial of that case the comrade who had so caused the arrest when testifying disclosed the secret workings of the Post. The charge against the accused being the disclosure of the doings of the Post, which he was not required to and should not have done. In this case the accused refused to remain with the court or to take any part in the trial after entering his plea to the charges, and the trial proceeded in his absence and he was found guilty. I advised the approval of the finding, though the evidence was quite meager, I thought it sufficient.

One other case was that of charges against a comrade for receiving from another comrade money which he was to take to the recorder and pay to him for the recording of a deed and which the charge said he appropriated to his own use, and also a charge in the same for obtaining goods on credit and not paying for them, and perhaps not intending to pay for them when he got the same. In this case I advised that the Department Commander to not approve the finding. This for the reason that the record was in such condition that it was

impossible to tell what was done on the trial. I will not here attempt to point out the defects in that record. They were just about all and as many as one can imagine there could be. Such as failure to show the order to convene the court, or whether the court were obligated or the witnesses, or even whether the accused ever entered a plea to the charges, in short the record did not show anything on which to act. It is to be hoped that in such cases greater care will be taken in the future. There is a form laid down now in the Grand Army of the Republic blue book, and no court-martial should be had without either the court or the Judge Advocate (for use of both), being furnished with a copy of the blue book with that form in it. It was not in the first edition of the blue book but is in the last edition.

The only other case of court-martial was where the charges and specifications were submitted to me before trial, and in that case I made some suggestions as to changes and as to how the charges and specifications should be gotten up, and the trial conducted. I heard no more of the matter, except that I saw in a general order sometime after, that a trial had been had and the finding was approved by the Department Commander. I suppose by my aid they got that record about right.

In this connection I make mention of, to me, a somewhat remarkable condition in the law of courts-martial in our order.

By Section 6, of Article 6, of Chapter 5, of Rules and Regulations we see the finding and sentence of a court-martial shall not be carried into effect until laid before "the officer ordering the same, or his successor in office" for his approval, etc. Now, in case of a Post court-martial, that means the Post Commander. But I see in Page 241 of the blue book some rules laid down by which it is said the findings and judgment of such court shall be approved or disapproved by the Post, by a majority vote, subject to appeal to the Department Commander. I see then that such rules and the terms accompanying the same seem to have been approved by Commander-in-Chief Veasy, in March, 1891.

To my mind the Rules are not in accord with the Rules and Regulations. But I understand the general practice since 1891 has been to submit the findings to the Post. When the first case came before me I advised the Department Commander that the proceeding (submitting to the Post) was wrong and it should have been passed on by the Post Commander alone. I did not then have a copy of the blue book with the matter in that I now speak of. The Assistant Adjutant General then sent me one and directed me to the said matter and I then found the condition of things I now here mention. All in all, I think it is perhaps best now to continue the practice of submitting the finding to the Post.

In this connection it may be noticed I have given neither the names of comrades, nor of Posts, nor localities. As to this, in fact, I have not kept sufficient data to do that well, nor do I think any good

purpose would be served thereby. The findings and approval of the courts are all published by the Department Commander in general orders, and in that way the comrades of the Department are made aware of it all. And besides, I am disposed to make this report as short as possible.

Submitted in F., C. and L.,

E. J. SMITH,
Judge Advocate.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT' OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR, }
 MOBERLY, Mo., March 14, 1895.

LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander.

Comrade: In compliance with General Order No. 6, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., I have the honor to submit herewith my consolidated report of the inspection of the Posts of this Department for the year ending December 31, 1894. I have endeavored to the best of my ability in various ways to secure a full and complete report from every Post, and while my efforts have been attended with a more satisfactory result for the number of Posts in good standing than has been attained in the past, yet I regret very much to inform you that I have been unable to secure reports, or answers to my communications on the subject from fifty Posts for reasons best known to themselves. Of 384 Posts with 17,126 members in good standing, December 31, 1894, I beg leave to report as follows:

Number of Posts in good standing, December 31, 1894.....	384
Number of members in good standing	17,126
Number of Posts reported inspected	334
Membership of Posts inspected	15,248
Amount in relief fund	\$10,976 63
Amount expended for charity by 185 Posts	4,122 94
Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermasters of 279 Posts	23,210 99
Value of other property owned by 266 Posts	31,270 39
Posts in which ritual is properly performed	114
Posts whose officers and guards are uniformed, etc	66
Posts whose members are uniformed	42
Posts whose officers and members are partly uniformed	121
Posts whose records are well kept	303
Posts who receive orders regularly	319
Posts who obey orders	304
Posts who have a relief fund	64
Number of muskets owned by 104 Posts	860
Number of Posts that report Woman's Relief Corps	75
Number of Posts that report Sons of Veteran Camps.....	66
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported excellent.....	1
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported very good.....	1
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported good.....	169
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported fair.....	115
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported medium.....	11

Number of Posts whose prospects are reported not good	3
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported dull	3
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported poor.....	15
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported gloomy.....	3
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported slim.....	2
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported weak	1
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported doubtful.....	2
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported bad.....	4
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported very bad.....	1
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported blank.....	3
Number of district and ward school houses reported	1,856
Number of school houses reported supplied with flags.....	591
Number of Posts that did not report inspection in 1890	66
Number of Posts that did not report inspection in 1891	94
Number of Posts that did not report inspection in 1892	98
Number of Posts that did not report inspection in 1893	87
Number of Posts that did not report inspection in 1894.....	50

During my term I have devoted much travel, thought and attention to the inspection question, have communicated with other Departments on the subject and am of the opinion that our present system secures the best results and at less expense than any other form I am aware of; providing the rules governing the same are strictly adhered to by the Post Commanders and Assistant Inspectors. The consolidation of weak and struggling Posts with the larger ones located at convenient and accessible centers would in my opinion be advisable and beneficial to our order. Department officers could then, with less expense, cover more territory in their limited time, and thereby be enabled to meet with many more comrades throughout the Department at stated times. The presence of the officers would be the means of infusing more life and enthusiasm into the decaying ranks of the interior Posts than by the present method.

Questions 23 and 24, in regard to the display of the United States flag on our school houses, has been an enigma to many of the Assistant Inspectors and given less attention than they should have received by the indifferent answers of many. I take pleasure in reporting the gratifying result of the efforts of the Grand Army on this subject, many interior localities where a few years ago the sight of "old glory" proudly waving from a school house would have been the cause for many mossbacks to commit hari-kari and revel in the sweet dreamlands of jim-jams, are to-day foremost in honoring the emblem that Washington gave and the members of the Grand Army preserved. My report—the first on this subject—shows no less than 591 school houses in this Department are supplied with the United States flag. Considering the present state of public affairs, the age and physical condition of the majority of the comrades and the picayune reward the present administration doles out

to them for their valor and patriotism, the finances of a majority of the Posts shows a very healthy condition. A comparison of this with prior reports shows 1891 as the high water marks of this Department numerically, and since then the indications are plain that the expected and inevitable decline of the grandest galaxy of heroes and patriots of ancient and modern times is at hand. Henceforth and to the end will our successors have reason to put forth their ingenuity and most strenuous efforts to stem the receding tide and hold in line the remnants of a once mighty host until the last encampment and the final muster out.

I hereby return my sincere thanks to the Assistant Inspectors for their prompt and efficient attention to the work assigned them, their reports will be found verbatim in my consolidated report.

Ever grateful to past Assistant Adjutant General, Thos. B. Rodgers, and Assistant Adjutant General, John B. Pachall, for the many courtesies extended me in the pursuit of my duties, and thanking you for the honor conferred and the confidence reposed in me as your Department Inspector and trusting that my efforts and attainments in connection with the same may merit your approval, I am,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

J. W. SCOTT,

Department Inspector.

No. of Post.	NAME OF POST INSPECTED.	Number of members in good standing?	Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory and properly performed?	Are the officers and guards uniformed and equipped?	Are the members uniformed and equipped?	How many muskets are owned by the Post?	Are the officers regular in their attendance?	Are the members regular in their attendance?	Do they exhibit an interest in the Post?	Are the records complete and well kept?	Are orders received regularly, read to the Post and filed?	Are they duly obeyed?	Have all reports and dues been forwarded?
1	Frank P. Blair	702	yes	yes	yes	13	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
2	Gen. Lyon	236	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
3	Admiral Farragut	114	yes	yes	partly	16	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
4	McPherson	230	yes	yes	partly	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
5	A. Lincoln	101	partly	partly	partly	6	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
6	James A. Garfield	101	yes	yes	yes		fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
7	Custer	171	yes	yes	no	8	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
8	George H. Thomas	209	partly	partly	no		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
10	Gen. Canby	50	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
11	Jas. A. Mulligan	26	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
12	Ellsworth	71	no	no	no	14	fair	no	fair	yes	yes	fair	yes
13	Col. Hassendeubel	627	yes	yes	yes	27	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
14	O. P. Morton	102	yes	partly	partly	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
16	Stanton	118	partly	partly	partly	4	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
17	Joe. Hooker	114	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
19	Phil. Kearney	47	yes	no	no	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
20	Maj. Jas. Wilson	55	no	no	no	8	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
21	Sedgwick	143	partly	yes	no	13	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
22	Corporal Dix	121	no	partly	partly	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
26	F. A. Jones	70	partly	partly	no	6	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
25	David A. Roberts	33	no	no	no	8	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
26	G. N. Jos. Bailey	73	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
29	Tindall	75	yes	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
30	Nodaway	10	yes	partly	partly	5	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
31	Capt. Wagoner	32	yes	no	no	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
32	S. A. Hurlburt	42	yes	no	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
33	Ben. Loan	43	yes	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
34	McCook	57	no	no	partly	24	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
36	Paddy Shields	37	partly	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
38	Col. Forbes	49	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
39	Roderk Rockwood	27	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
41	Peabody	41	partly	partly	partly	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
42	Albert Chandler	35	yes	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
43	W. T. Sherman	144	no	yes	partly	12	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
44	McCullough	48	no	no	no	13	yes	no	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
45	Christian Meyer	47	partly	yes	partly	8	yes	fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
46	Perry V. Fletcher	23	partly	yes	partly	10	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
47	Capt. J. L. Clark	27	yes	no	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
48	Gen. Geo. G. Meade	135	partly	no	no	8	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
49	Capt. D. M. Birch	16	partly	no	no	no	no	no	fair	yes	yes	ptly	yes
50	Harrisonville	15	no report							yes	yes	yes	yes
51	Col. F. Schaefer	33	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
53	Gen. Geo. R. Smith	116	yes	yes	yes	20	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
54	Thos. G. Wade	81	yes	no	no	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
55	Reynolds	31	yes	partly	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
57	O. H. Wood	64	partly	yes	partly	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
58	Bates County	16	yes	no	no	3	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
59	Gen. H. Blount	26	yes	no	no	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
60	Gen. Wadsworth	37	partly	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
61	Valentine Peters	26	partly	partly	partly	82	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
63	Winfield Scott	49	no	no	no	7	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
64	Golden City	21	no report										
65	Mound City	29	partly	no	no	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
66	Kilpatrick	37	yes	yes	partly	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
67	Turkio	23	yes	no	no	6	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
68	Gen. E. D. Baker	29	partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
69	Capt. Jno. Mathews	72	no	partly	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

Amount charged for muster-in?	Amount charged for annual dues?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Amount expended for charity from December 31, 1883, to December 31, 1884?	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermaster?	Value of other property owned by the Post?	Is there a Corps of the W. R. C. connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans?	What are the prospects of the Post?	How many school districts or wards are represented in your Post?	Are the school-houses in these districts supplied with the United States flag? If not, give the number of such district or ward?	No. of Post.
\$ 5.00	\$ 4.00	yes	\$7,839.35	\$ 436.50	\$4,525.80	\$3,500.00	yes	several	good	1	1	
3.00	4.00	no		110.95	781.44	250.00	yes	no	good	28	2	
3.00	3.00	no		62.70	20.70	191.70	no	yes	good	13	3	
2.00	2.00	no		77.75	106.54	200.00	yes	yes	good	43	4	
2.00	1.00	no		60.00	34.25	90.00	yes	no	good	6	5	
1.50	2.40	yes	300.00	31.25	10.27	250.00	no	yes	good	4	6	
1.50	3.00	yes	153.87	74.40	1,783.56	500.00	yes	yes	good	4	7	
3.00	2.00	yes	107.08	11.05	124.12	75.00	yes	yes	fair	20	6	
1.00	1.00	no		1.51	1.51	41.59	no	no	fair	2	7	
2.50	3.00	no		7.00	65.12	100.00	no	no	fair	6	8	
1.00	1.00	no		5.00		50.00	no	no	medium	2	9	
5.00	3.00	yes	162.25	119.00	720.86	1,800.00	yes	yes	good	14	10	
2.00	2.00	yes	7.78	46.10	192.10	175.00	yes	yes	fair	13	13	
2.00	2.00	yes	148.50	87.70			yes	yes	fair	5	14	
2.00	2.00	yes	42.10	14.25	188.58	139.00	yes	yes	good	13	16	
1.50	1.00	yes	1.35	5.00	13.43	556.25	no	yes	good	10	17	
2.00	2.00	yes	13.00	25.00	19.80	40.00	no	no	fair	5	18	
2.00	2.00	yes	700.00	44.95	748.00	300.00	yes	no	good	1	19	
2.00	1.00	no		103.12	25.31	250.45	yes	no	good	1	21	
1.00	2.00	no		30.00	23.75	100.00	no	no	good	16	22	
2.00	1.00	no		6.50	112.69		no	no	good	4	23	
2.00	2.00	no		30.00	13.75	50.00	yes	no	good	12	25	
2.00	2.00	no		30.00	30.00	300.00	yes	no	good	4	26	
1.50	1.00	yes		20.00			no	no	fair	4	29	
1.00	3.00	no		7.00	14.40	276.50	no	no	good	4	30	
1.50		no			17.96	120.00	no	no	good	2	31	
1.00		no			16.00	100.00	no	no	good	6	32	
1.50	2.00	no		10.00	8.50	124.00	yes	yes	fair	6	33	
1.00	2.00	no			7.52	40.00	no	no	fair	6	34	
1.00	1.00	yes	14.96	9.00	15.23	51.48	yes	no	good	12	36	
1.50	1.00	no		4.50	25.00	5.00	no	no	fair	5	38	
2.00	2.00	yes	7.50	10.00	14.00	300.00	yes	no	fair	6	39	
2.00	2.00	yes		12.00	5.00	50.00	yes	no	good	2	41	
2.00	2.00	yes		22.25	17.00	200.00	yes	yes	good	8	42	
2.00	2.00	no					no	no	fair	4	43	
1.50	2.00	yes	21.20		21.20	105.00	no	no	fair	4	44	
1.00	1.00	no		10.00	10.30	221.00	yes	no	good	5	45	
1.00	1.00	yes	9.74	2.10	16.27	25.00	no	yes	good	6	46	
1.00	1.00	no			12.15	125.00	no	no	fair	7	47	
1.00	1.00	no		15.00	435.00	8.00	no	no	fair	4	48	
											49	
2.00	1.00	no		10.00	23.30	210.80	no	yes	good	2	50	
2.50	2.00	no		63.80	191.55	250.00	yes	yes	good	2	51	
1.00	1.00	no		20.45	29.75		yes	yes	good	15	53	
2.00	2.00	no			6.03	40.00	no	no	good	6	54	
1.50	2.00	yes	29.46	25.00	32.26	150.00	yes	no	good	11	56	
2.00	1.00	yes	50.00	5.30	89.94	20.50	no	no	good	3	57	
1.00	1.00	no		7.75	6.43	10.00	no	no	good	4	58	
2.00	1.00	no			1.27	50.00	no	no	poor	4	59	
2.00	1.20	no		5.25	10.00	100.00	no	no	good	7	60	
1.00	1.00	no		2.50	14.80	38.25	yes	no	good	5	61	
											62	
1.50	1.80	no		20.00	20.54	40.00	no	no	fair	4	63	
1.00	1.00	no		3.50	17.78	475.00	no	no	good	1	65	
2.00	2.00	no			55.11	50.00	no	no	slim	1	67	
1.00	1.00	no			12.25		no	no	fair	7	68	
1.50	2.00	yes	16.50	148.70	414.50	200.00	yes	no	good	13	69	

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70	B. B. King	30	yes	yes	partly	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
72	Col. Jacob Smith	101	yes	no	no	8	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
73	Johnson Downen	20	poorly	no	no		partly	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
75	Greenfield	87	no	partly	partly	10	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
76	John A. Dix	43	partly	partly	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
78	Col. Grover	136	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
79	Capt. Stanley	15	partly	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
80	Rousseau	31	no report										
81	L. W. Cooper	84	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
82	Yaeger-Sharp	42	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
84	Curtis	17	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
85	Lookout	13	yes	yes	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
86	King City	48	partly	no	partly	3	no	no	little	yes	yes	yes	yes
88	C. G. Harker	27	fair	partly	partly	5	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
90	Capt. J. H. Paynter	17	no report										
92	T. H. Richardson	21	no	no	no	8	no	no	fair	yes	ptly	yes	yes
96	Capt. C. C. Harvey	56	yes	no	no	1	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
97	Gen. G. B. Boomer	30	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
100	Franklin Shanks	36	partly	partly	partly	6	fair	fair	yes	yes	ptly	yes	yes
101	Wm. E. Wood	19	no report										
102	Shelbville	23	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
103	Chilhowee	15	no report										
104	Nichols	29	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
106	Arthur Crockett	27	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
107	Harry P. Harding	156	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
108	Jeff. C. Davis	33	partly	yes	partly		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
109	B. K. Davis	87	partly	yes	partly	10	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
110	Wm. McKee	89	yes	partly	partly	25	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
111	Miles Carroll	113	no report										
115	Cameron Garrett	31	yes	partly	partly		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
117	Hardy Smith	22	no report										
118	Jewell	42	partly	partly	partly	9	yes	no	fair	yes	ptly	yes	yes
119	Marion	63	no	no	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes
120	Maple Grove	11	partly	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
122	Virgil Rogers	25	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
124	Lieut. T. D. Neal	27	yes	partly	partly	10	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
128	Salem	77	partly	partly	partly	8	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
129	Capt. J. H. Little	12	partly	partly	partly		partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
130	Fred Miller	35	no report										
131	Ransom	500	yes	yes	yes	13	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
133	Gardner	11	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
134	Gentry	37	yes	no	no	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
135	Sgt. B. H. Porch	43	yes	no	no		fair	partly	little	yes	yes	ptly	yes
137	Gen. J. G. Foster	13	no report										
141	Marionville	37	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
142	Stephen Decatur	19	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
145	Samuel McClure	31	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
146	Avallon	25	no	no	no		no	no	little	no	ptly	no	no
149	J. J. Gravely	25	no report										
150	Liberty	51	partly	partly	partly	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
152	D. N. Keeler	56	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
154	W. T. Kays		no report										
155	Loyalty	38	partly	no	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
158	Geo. Miller	46	partly	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
160	Col. H. E. Gilbert	34	partly	partly	no		fair	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
161	Gen. F. J. Herron	27	no	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
162	Marshall	27	partly	no	no		fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

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1 00	1 00	no		97 10	25 00	30 00	no	no	good	6	one	70
1 00	1 00	no			265 00	200 00	yes	no	fair	4	yes	72
1 00	1 00	no			8 00	8 50	no	no	fair	5	yes	73
1 00	1 00	no			8 50	50 00	no	no	not good	6	no	75
1 80	2 00	no		42 75	2 34	1,700 00	yes	no	good	6	yes	76
1 00	2 00	yes	3 00	7 00	6 00	1,200 00	yes	no	excellent	3	yes	78
1 00	2 00	no					no	yes	good			79
1 00	1 00	no		50 00		24 31	no	no	fair	10	Lathrop	80
1 00	1 00	no			7 60	40 00	no	no	medium	6	no	82
1 00	2 00	yes	50 79	1 50	50 79	30 00	yes	no	good	8		84
1 00	1 00	no		2 00	5 00	55 00	no	no	fair	6	no	85
1 00	1 20	no		10 50	72 68		yes	no	fair	10	no	86
2 00	1 40	yes	19 63	18 17	56 26	41 00	no	no	fair	8	2 are, 6 not	88
2 00	1 00	no			12 16	32 00	no	no	fair	1	district 56	92
1 00	1 00	no			16 55		no	no	fair	12	no	96
1 00	1 00	no			8 50	24 03	100 00	no	yes	good	no	97
1 50	1 00	no			85 00	50 00	no	yes	medium	10	no	100
1 00	1 00	no		10 00	1 70	40 00	no	no	fair	3	no	101
1 50	1 00	no			75 00	75 00	no	no	fair	5	no	102
1 00	1 00	no			29 35		no	no	fair	20	no	103
3 00	4 00	no	394 60	25 00	1,208 94	300 00	yes	yes	good	5	yes	104
1 50	1 00	no			12 00	40 00	no	yes	good	7	no	106
1 00	1 00	no			18 00	20 75	250 00	yes	yes	good	no	107
1 00	2 00	yes	9 15	21 15	11 07	200 00	yes	no	good	100	one only can't say	108
1 00	65	no					no	no	fair	6	no	109
1 00	2 00	no		7 50	35 23	82 00	no	no	fair	20	partly	110
1 50	1 00	no			37 82	119 60	no	no	good	4	yes	117
1 50	1 00	yes	10 00		23 70	10 00	no	no	good	5	no	118
1 00	1 00	yes	13 85		13 85	12 00	no	no	good	7	none	119
1 65	1 50	yes	68 70		148 23	378 00	yes	yes	fair	7	partly	120
2 00	2 00	no		20 15	46 30	220 00	no	no	fair	20	Salem only	121
1 00	50	no			11 00	5 00	no	no	poor	5	none	122
5 00	4 00	yes	156 56	141 65	362 39	1,961 05	yes	no	good			128
25	1 00	no		2 00		25 00	no	no	good	1	yes	130
1 00	1 80	no			4 86	70 50	yes	no	good	4	no, Albany	131
1 00	1 00	no				150 00	no	yes	fair	6	no	132
1 00	50	no		85 00	40 50	950 00	yes	no	good	10	yes	133
1 50	60	no		3 00	4 00	4 00	yes	yes	good	9	none	134
1 50	1 00	no				550 00	yes	no	good		one	141
1 00	40	no							fair			142
2 00	1 20	yes	16 21	9 00	144 36	50 00	no	no	good	8	none	143
2 00	04	no		57 00	92 30	110 00	no	yes	good		no	144
1 00	1 00	no			10 20		no	no	medium		one	145
1 50	1 00	no		4 00	29 35	69 00	yes	no	good	6	no	146
1 00	1 00	no			65	25 00	no	no	fair	1	yes	147
1 00	1 00	no			17 50	25 00	no	no	fair	10	no	148
2 00	1 00	yes	4 00		31 35	15 00	no	yes	good	15	five	149

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164	Col. Islam Keith	24	no	no	no	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
166	Menke	18	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
168	Jesse H. Moore	44	yes	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
170	Fillmore	32	no	no	no	4	fair	no	fair	yes	yes	no	yes
171	J. N. Whitehead	25	no	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
172	Gen. J. B. Steadman	42	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
173	Justi	77	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
174	Maj. Hiram Gavitt	20	no	no	no		yes	medi'm	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
175	Seneca	46	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
176	Indian Springs	13	no report										
177	W. H. L. Wallace	17	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
178	Stephen Estle	36	no	partly	partly		yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
179	Capt. W. G. Murray	76	partly	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
180	Stambaugh	28	no	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
181	Mansfield	51	partly	partly	partly	8	fair	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
182	Gen Ches. Harding	47	partly	yes	partly	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
184	Erich Pape	41	partly	no	no		no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
185	Major Hunt	39	partly	partly	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
186	Windsor	26	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
187	John A. Rawlins	30	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	ply	yes
188	John D. Mullins	21	no	no	no		no	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
189	Gen. Henry Wilson	40	partly	partly	partly	6	fair	no	no	fair	no	no	yes
190	W. B. Goodrich	27	partly	no	no		no	no	no	no	yes	no	yes
194	Austin Hubbard		no report										
197	Col Morsey	48	no	no	partly		no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
200	Rogersville	30	partly	no	no	1	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
201	Bradshaw	20	no	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
206	George N. McGee	22	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
209	Edward Wray	23	no report										
210	McCroskey	16	no	no	no	6	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
211	Isaac Clevenger	23	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
213	Jas. A. K. Dillon	12	no report										
214	Sergt. Ryan	53	partly	partly	yes		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
215	Picket	82	partly	partly	partly	21	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
216	Cainsville	41	no	partly	partly		no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
217	Bennett Ford	10	no	no	no		no	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
218	John Williams	16	no report										
219	Republic	38	partly	yes	partly	5	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
220	Jamesport	33	partly	no	no		yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
221	Norcross	41	no	partly	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
222	S. L. Turley	44	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
223	Reuben Dale	78	partly	yes	partly	15	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
224	Guy Ward	20	yes	no	partly		yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	ply	yes
225	Marshfield	21	no report										
226	John Kinnett	22	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
227	Col. Almstaedt	21	partly	no	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
229	Union	20	yes	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
231	Andrew Hightower	21	no report										
232	Lt. S. A. M. George	71	partly	yes	partly	11	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
233	Thos. J. Brouster	41	partly	yes	partly	8	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
234	Ash Grove	33	no report										
235	Gen. Fred. D. Steele	28	partly	no	no	5	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
236	U. S. Grant	12	no	no	no		yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
237	Farnsworth	22	yes	no	no	20	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
239	W. S. Hancock	39	yes	partly	yes	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
240	Jno. A. Hayn	106	yes	no	no	6	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
241	Galt	29	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

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1 00	2 00	no			15 00	40 00	no	no	fair	15	three	164
1 00	60	no		5 00	3 44	22 00	no	no	fair	6	no	166
1 00	1 00	no			56 00	20 00	no	no	good	4	one	168
1 00	1 00	no			50 00	25 00	yes	no	good	50	one	170
1 00	1 00	no			78 15	600 00	no	no	good	1	no	171
1 00	1 00	no		4 50	20 56	50 00	yes	no	good	7	one	172
5 00	2 00	no			133 76	300 00	no	no	good	2	one	173
1 00	1 20	no			16 70	12 00	no	no	fair	46	no	174
1 00	2 00	no		10 00	20 90	25 00	no	no	good	16	one	175
												176
1 00	1 00	no			41 48		no	no	fair	8	one	177
1 00	1 00	no		1 00	30 00	446 06	no	no	fair		one	178
1 50	50	yes	28 43	34 50	244 92	50 00	no	no	good	1	no	179
1 00	1 00	no		15 25	41 71	5 00	yes	yes	good	11	none	180
1 00	1 00	no		5 00	23 95		no	yes	good	30	none	181
1 00	1 60	no			16 00	250 00	yes	yes	doubtful	8	yes	182
1 75	1 20	no		13 50	10 01	195 00	no	no	bad	10	no	184
1 25	2 00	yes	1 00	4 25	10 21	20 00	no	no	good			185
1 00	1 00	no					no	no	gloomy		can't say	186
1 00	1 20	no				15 00	no	no	bright	7	not all	187
1 10	1 00	no				10 00	no	no	poor		two	188
2 00	1 00	no			14 00	15 00	yes	yes	fair	10	no	189
1 00	2 00	no			7 35	75 00	yes	no	good			190
												194
1 50	1 00	no			48 00	5 00	no	yes	good	10	nine	197
1 00	1 00	no		30 00		25 00	no	no	fair	5	5-8	200
2 00	1 20	yes	35 74	28 00	54 71	137 00	yes	yes	fair	12	six	201
1 00	1 20			23 00	4 70	25 00	no	no	good	1	yes	206
												209
2 00	2 00	no			7 61	5 00	yes	no	poor	6	yes	210
1 00	1 00	no					no	no	medium	1	no	211
												213
2 00	1 00	no		75	42 74	500 00	no	yes	good	19	none	214
1 00	2 00	no		59 50	61 15	66 98	no	no	good		some	215
1 50	1 00	no		6 05	16 00	75 75	no	yes	fair	15	twelve	216
1 50	50	no			63		no	no	good	5	no	217
												218
2 00	60	no		3 50		50 00	no	no	good	6	three	219
1 00	2 00	yes	16 65	2 00	19 34	45 36	no	no	fair	5	one	220
1 00	1 00	yes		6 72	8 26	37 05	no	no	good		no	221
1 50	1 00	no		10 00	3 00	60 00	yes	no	good	8	worn out	222
1 65	1 40	no		46 00	90 05	75 50	no	no	good	26	sixteen	223
2 00	1 40	no			5 60	26 70	no	no	good	8	eight	224
												225
1 00	1 00	yes			15 00		no	no	good	6	in part	226
1 50	1 00	no					no	yes	fair		one	227
2 00	1 00	no		5 00	4 25		yes	yes	good	12	one	229
												231
1 00	1 00	no		18 75	8 55	50 00	no	no	good	6	none	232
2 00	2 40	no			78 95	35 00	no	no	good		don't know	233
												234
1 50	1 00	no		25 00	10 43	10 00	no	no	good	8	one	235
1 00	1 00	yes		39 80	10 85	10 00	no	no	fair			236
1 25	1 00	no			1 50	75 10	yes	no	fair			237
1 50	2 40	no		12 15	44 17	150 00	no	no	good	10		239
2 00	2 00	no		44 80	497 75	10 00	no	no	fair	2	yes	240
1 25	1 00	no		12 55	5 53	75 00	yes	no	fair	8	1 sup, 7 not	241

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242	Pattonsburg	18	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
243	Andy Smith	42	yes	no	no		yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
244	Fred Steele	18	partly	no	no		partly	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
245	Jack Grant	25	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
247	Jno. W. Rollins	29	partly	partly	partly	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
249	Fordland	22	no report										
250	Ulysses	17	partly	yes	yes	8	fair	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
251	Col. Lennard	57	partly	no	partly		partly	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
252	Mt. McGregor	11	partly	partly	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
253	Mt. Pleasant	11	no report										
254	J. N. Hilton	30	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
257	Jno. Boon	54	no	partly	partly		yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
258	Mitchell	27	no report										
260	Blanchard	19	yes	yes	no		no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
261	Ser. Maj. McIntosh	82	partly	yes	yes		yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
262	Johnson	13	no	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
263	Cuba	52	partly	yes	yes	4	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
264	Morgan L. Smith	59	partly	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
266	Billings	22	no report										
263	Pinhart	69	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
269	Sergt. Plummer	31	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
271	Baker	12	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
272	Vidette	24	no report										
273	Difani	85	no	no	no	33	fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
274	Norwood	18	no report										
275	Albert Thompson	19	no report										
276	Henry Brown	160	yes	yes	yes		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	ptly	yes
277	Seymour	30	no report										
278	John Kelsey	20	no report										
279	Edinburgh	26	no report										
280	A. J. Norton	30	no report										
281	David Slake	11	no report										
282	Wakefield Standley	34	no report										
283	Wakefield	42	no										
284	George G. Bryan	50	partly	partly	no	5	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
285	Jim Carnes	17	no report										
286	Chas. Sumner	34	fair	yes	yes		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
287	Warren	18	no	no	no	6	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
288	Thos. S. Staples	12	no report										
289	Maj. Bartlett	32	no	no	no		partly	no	no	partly	ptly	yes	yes
290	Fred. Hecker	30	partly	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
291	Robert McElroy	23	no report										
292	Thos. A. Read	39	partly	no	no		partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
293	Geo. Gamble	32	no	partly	partly		partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
294	Col. Geiger	41	no	no	partly		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	ptly
296	Capt. Blandowsky	19	no	no	no	1	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
297	John S. Phelps	54	partly	partly	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
298	Stewartsville	12	no report										
299	C. A. Arthur	78	no	no	no	6	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes
301	Capt. Chas. Demmy	36	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
302	Negley	6	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
303	Bob Ford	12	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
304	John A. Logan	53	partly	no	partly		yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
305	Ben. Grigsby	26	no report										
307	Freeport	22	no report										
308	Franklin	12	yes	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
311	Geo. W. Tyler	20	no	partly	partly		fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

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\$ 50	\$ 1 00	no			\$ 9 85	\$ 10 00	no	no	good			242
1 00	2 00	no			19 52	6 00	yes	no	fair	11	no	243
1 00	1 00	no			16 50	5 00	no	no	bad	4	yes	244
1 50	1 00	no			51 46	50 00	no	no	fair	6	no	245
1 50	1 00	no		20 00	114 90	60 00	yes	no	good		no	247
												249
1 00	1 00	no			9 07	50 00	no	no	fair	12	no	250
2 01	1 00	no		13 00	17 36	50 00	no	no	fair	10	no	251
1 25	1 00	no			16 92	7 75	no	no	fair	6	no	252
												253
1 00	50	no			9 60	20 00	no	no	medium	20	no	254
1 00	1 00	no		11 85		272 00	no	no	fair		no	257
												258
1 00	1 00	no			56 50	20 00	no	no	fair	1	yes	260
1 50	1 00	yes	2 50		55	70 00	no	no	fair	40	no	261
1 50	1 40	yes	2 00	1 00	55		no	no	good	2	no	262
1 00	1 00	no		11 95	10 00	40 00	no	no	good	18	no	263
1 50	2 00	yes		110 00	17 55	200 00	yes	yes	good	12	one	264
												266
1 50	1 00	no		18 00	3 50	25 70	no	yes	good	5	city school	268
75	1 00	no			11 00	150 00	no	no	dull			269
1 00	1 00	no		12 30	1 35	25 00	no	no	good	5	no	271
												272
1 00	1 20	yes	67 00		22 30	125 00	no	yes	good		one	273
												274
1 00	1 00	yes	10 00	25 00	27 00	30 00	no	no	good	15	some	275
												276
												277
												278
												279
												280
												281
												282
1 50	1 00	no				20 00	no	no	bad	6	one	283
1 75	1 00	no			18 80	30 00	no	no	good	11	no	284
												285
1 00	1 20	no		22 00	16 38	8 00	no	no	fair		no	286
2 00	1 20	no			20 00	50 00	yes	no	fair		no	287
												288
2 00	1 00	no		5 00			no	no	fair	15	no	289
2 00	1 00	yes	12 40	5 00	12 40	50 00	no	no	good	6	one	290
												291
1 50	1 00	no		25 00	11 00	16 00	no	no	poor			292
2 00	1 00	no			30 00	400 00	no	yes	good	21	no	293
1 50	25	no		3 00	52 45	144 75	no	no	fair	7	no	294
1 00	no	no		1 80			no	no	fair	10	one	296
2 00	1 56	no		16 10	13 40	56 00	no	no	fair			297
												298
1 00	1 00	no				15 00	no	no	fair	1	yes	299
3 00	3 00	no		10 30	105 88	98 50	no	no	good	3	yes	301
1 50	15	no		3 00	75		no	no	weak	3	no	302
1 00		no				5 00	no	no	good	4	no	303
3 00	4 00	yes	10 36	21 95	138 90		yes	no	fair		yes	304
												305
												307
1 50	50	no		5 50	2 10	20 00	no	no	not good			308
1 50	1 00	no			8 00	55 00	no	no	good	4		311

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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312	Dan McCook	48	fair	partly	partly		partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
313	Wm. F. Lane	23	no	no	partly		partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
314	Jno. D. Rohye	24	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
317	Gen. Hunter	14	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
318	Jesse M. Harbin	17	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
319	Capt. R. E. M. Mack	10	no	repor	rt								
320	Capt. Manwaring	62	yes	partly	yes		fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
322	Capt. J. M. Baird	34	fair	partly	partly	5	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
323	Galena	32	no	repor	rt								
324	Geo. V. Pitts	15	fair	no	no		partly	fair	yes	yes	ptly	yes	yes
326	Capt. J. F. St. James	69	yes	yes	yes	9	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
327	Adrian	21	yes	no	partly		no	no	cool	yes	yes	yes	yes
329	Gordon Granger	60	yes	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
330	Jonah W. Reser	40	no	repor	rt								
331	John P. McCluney	34	fair	no	partly		partly	partly	partly	fair	yes	yes	yes
332	Jas. Owens	77	partly	partly	partly	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
333	Gen. Jas. H. Hart	11	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
334	Gen. Washburn	19	no	repor	rt								
335	H. G. Blake	18	partly	no	no		yes	fair	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
337	James Ward	41	partly	no	partly		no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
339	Houston	66	partly	no	no	6	fair	no	partly	yes	yes	ptly	yes
340	Evans	32	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
342	Sergt. L. J. Roach	27	yes	no	partly		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
343	Col. Shaw	76	yes	yes	yes	3	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
344	Franz Wilhelm	20	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
345	Jesse Owens	48	no	partly	no		no	no	no	yes	ptly	yes	yes
346	Iron	31	partly	partly	no	6	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
347	Levi F. Pennington	26	no	yes	partly		fair	fair	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
348	Henry C. Beckett	53	yes	yes	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
350	Capt. Jas. Johnson	25	yes	partly	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
351	Jos. Martin	26	no	repor	rt								
352	Pardee	18	no	repor	rt								
354	Sergt. P. P. Mabrey	16	no	no	no		partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	no
355	Dixon	39	no	no	partly		fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
356	Zincite	11	no	repor	rt								
358	R. L. Ferguson	36	partly	partly	partly		yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
359	Splitlog	22	fair	no	no		yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
360	Daniel Miles	20	partly	no	no		fair	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
361	Fulton	28	no	repor	rt								
362	Sac River	19	no	repor	rt								
364	Capt. McFarland	10	no	repor	rt								
365	Appleton	31	no	partly	partly		no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
366	Upton	25	partly	partly	partly	16	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
367	Roscoe	26	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
370	Samuel Lewis	20	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
371	Rocky Comfort	40	no	no	no		partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
373	Col. Putnam	34	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	no	no
374	R. P. Carnes	25	yes	no	no		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
375	Harwood	37	partly	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
377	Cap J. W. Roberts'n	35	no	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
378	Iuka	22	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
379	Capt. Tom. Walker	53	partly	no	partly		partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
382	Commerce	26	partly	partly	partly	6	partly	partly	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
383	Jas. A. Dollans		no	repor	rt								
384	Dawn	45	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
386	Albert Harrison	35	partly	partly	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
387	Marceline	28	partly	partly	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

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\$ 1 50	\$ 1 00	no		\$ 5 00	\$ 10 00		no	yes	fair	18	fifteen	312
1 00	1 00	no		4 00	4 50		no	no	fair	5	no	313
1 50	1 00	no		11 20	44 02	5 25	no	yes	good	10	no	314
1 00	50	no		50	16 90	21 90	no	no	poor	4	yes	317
1 50	1 06	no			57	3 70	no	no	fair	2	none	318
1 00	1 80	yes	72 85	39 80	76 90	45 00	no	no	good		none	319
1 50	1 00	no		75		45 00	no	yes	good	1	yes	320
1 00	60	no			5 25	10 00	no	no	fair	1	no	324
1 50	2 00	yes	110 00	30 00	75 00	150 00	no	no	good	15	yes	326
1 00	1 20	no			1 33	15 00	no	no	medium		some	327
1 50	2 00	yes	13 25	3 00	35 32	42 75	no	no	good	14	in part	329
2 00	2 00	no		5 00	4 35		no	no	medium	8	four	330
1 50	2 00	yes	71 70	21 95	114 90	40 00	no	no	good	5	none	331
1 00	1 00				2 65	10 00	no	no	doubtful	4	no	332
1 00	1 00	no			35 92	57 15	no	yes	poor		none	333
1 00	1 35	yes	4 46		4 46	8 86	no	no	not good			334
1 00	1 00	no				600 00	no	no	good	15	none	335
1 00	1 00	no			17 03	20 00	no	no	good	7	none	336
1 00	50	no					no	no	good	6		337
3 00	4 00			34 65	19 44	215 70	yes		good	12	yes, 12	338
2 00	1 50	no				10 00	no	yes	good	3	no	339
1 00	20	yes	10 00		36 78	20 00	no	yes	good	8	no	340
2 00	2 00	no			2 82	50 00	no	yes	fair		none	341
1 00	1 00	no		30 00	7 00	5 00	no	no	fair	8	eight	342
1 50	1 00	no		100 00	25	35 00	no	no	good			343
1 00	80	no		2 50	32 78	13 00	no	no	good	9	none	344
												345
1 00	1 00	no		2 00	23 00	9 00	no	no	fair	3	no	346
1 50	1 00	no				10 00	no	yes	fair	20	no	347
												348
1 50	2 00	no			3 30	10 00	no	no	fair	8	two	349
1 00	1 00	no			5 40		no	yes	fair	7	no	350
50	1 00	no		3 00	2 15	25 00	no	no	good	8	no	351
												352
												353
1 00	1 00	no			4 75	8 00	no	yes	gloomy	2	no	354
1 00	1 00	no		42 75	11 82	350 00	no	yes	good	10	no	355
1 00	1 20	no					no	no	poor	1	no	356
2 00	1 20	no			3 09	26 85	no	no	good	4		357
1 00	60	no		7 85	4 43		no	no	fair		none	358
1 00	1 00	no		5 00	20 00	5 00	no	no	fair		no	359
2 00	1 00	no		4 00	16 76	5 00	yes	no	good		no	360
1 00	1 00	no		1 70	1 40	25 00	yes	no	good	8	two	361
1 00	1 00	yes	5 75	4 00	6 12	29 50	no	no	good	10	none	362
1 00	1 00	no		2 50	11 35	25 00	no	no	good	10	none	363
2 60	1 40	yes	11 00		32 90	90 00	no	no	good	12	eleven	364
2 00	1 00	no		1 00	7 50	35 00			fair	4	no	365
												366
1 00	1 00	yes		18 35	4 00	35 00	no	yes	good	10	one	367
1 00	80	no		12 00	2 00	30 00			good	10	no	368
1 00	2 00	no		20 00			yes	no	fair	5	no	369

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390	Jacob Yount	46	partly	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
391	Pike	65	partly	yes	partly	7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
392	Southwest City	15	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
393	Capt. J. A. Bowers	30	yes	yes	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
394	L. T. Wm. Brawner	17	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes
395	Andrew Chester	32	no report										
397	Brookline	9	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
398	Phil. Sheridan	31	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
402	Cap. I. F. Bierwirth	14	partly	partly	partly		partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
405	Durbin A. Ward	32	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
406	Corporal Duke	26	no	no	no		yes	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
407	Conway	39	yes	yes	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
408	Col. Kregel	25	yes	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
409	John Shelton	18	no report										
410	Jno. H. Kendall	11	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
411	Capt. Kelsoe	35	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	ptly	yes	yes
412	Downing	16	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
413	Richland	20	no report										
414	David Hewitt	36	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
416	Fiff City	12	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
417	Swifton	21	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
418	Sergt. Clay Shaw	21	yes	yes			yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
419	Walden Emory		no report										
420	Fred. Rother	29	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes
421	Capt. Bradway	23	partly	partly	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
423	Florence	15	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
424	Col. A. J. Webber	32	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
425	Wm. Hawkins	49	partly	no	partly		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes
426	Hunnewell	23	yes	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
428	Thos. Gordon	32	no	partly	partly		no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
429	Jno. V. Hoover	47	no	no	no		yes	fair	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
430	Holt	23	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
431	Jos. S. Wray	15	yes	yes	yes		partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
432	Columbia	25	partly	partly	partly		yes	partly	partly	fair	ptly	ptly	yes
433	David D. Porter	26	no	no	partly		fair	fair	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
434	J. B. Wicker	41	no report										
435	Thos. Shelton	23	partly	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
436	Jos. A. Mower	30	no report										
437	Simon Cameron	28	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
439	C. M. Anderson	20	no report										
440	Gen. Hazen	26	no	no	no		no	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
441	Alton	26	partly	partly	no		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
442	Hume	22	no	no	no		no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
444	Elwood Miller	40	partly	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
446	Obediah Gray	17	no	no	no		yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
447	Capt. Bauer	19	yes	yes	yes		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
449	Fair Grove	25	no report										
450	David Reeves	13	no report										
452	Tipton	12	partly	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
453	E. E. Kimball	41	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
454	Calhoun	14	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
455	McClain	22	partly	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
456	DeKalb	28	partly	no	no		yes	fair	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
457	Warren T. Stewart	30	no	no	no		partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	ptly	yes
468	Col. J. P. Brownlow	15	no report										
459	Jno. Whaling	24	no	yes	partly		fair	fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes
461	Capt. J. S. Robb	23	no	partly	partly		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes

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\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	no	\$	\$ 8 00	\$ 23 80	\$ 50 00	no	yes	fair	10	partly	390
	1 20	no		6 95		42 25	no	no	good			391
	1 00	no		17 55	57 77	10 20	yes	yes	good	10	mostly	392
1 00	1 00	no			8 64		no	no	good	12	no	393
	60	no		5 00	27 50	15 00	no	no	poor	5	no	394
												395
1 50	40	no			1 19	5 00	no	no	fair	4	two	397
1 50	1 00	no			10 00	19 00	no	no	good			398
2 00	75	no			2 80	2 80	no	no	good	1	yes	402
2 00	1 00	no			9 75	25 00	yes	no	good	8	no	405
1 00	50	no			7 00		no	no	fair	7	no	406
1 50	1 00	no			11 47	25 00	no	no	good	12	no	407
2 00	2 00	no		2 50	25 00	10 00	no	no	fair			408
												409
1 50	1 00	no			2 00	1 50	no	no	bad	5	five	410
1 00	1 00	yes					no	no	fair	4	no	411
1 00	1 20	no				15 00	no	no	fair	7	no	412
												413
1 00	1 00	no		5 00	2 28	9 68	no	no	fair			414
1 00	60	no			45		no	no	good	4	no	416
2 00	1 25	yes		50		5 00	no	no	good	5	no	417
1 50	1 00	yes		31 65			yes	yes	medium		yes	418
												419
1 00	1 20	no					no	no	bad	6	no	420
1 00	1 00	no		5 00	12 29		no	no	good	10	no	421
1 00	50	no		50	13 00	3 00	no	no	fair	9	no	423
1 00	1 00	no			7 85	40 00	no	no	dull	8	no	424
1 50	60	no			2 00	345 00	yes	no	fair	10	no	425
1 00	1 00	yes	2 55	7 25		56 00	no	yes	good	4	no	426
1 50	1 00	no		1 60	8 01	50 00	no	no	good	8	yes	428
1 00	20	no		16 85	32 07	7 60	no	no	fair	8	eight	429
2 00	50	no		5 00	9 73		no	no	poor		yes	430
2 00	2 00	no		7 50	6 90	27 00	no	no	slim	2	no	431
2 00	20	no		2 00	3 35	9 00	no	no	good	2	yes	432
1 00	1 00	no		5 10	8 56	2 00	yes	yes	fair	6	five	433
												434
1 00	80	no			2 35		no	no	good	6	no	435
												436
1 00	1 00	yes	2 50		17 19	33 50	no	no	good	1	no	437
												439
1 00	1 00	no			4 40	11 00	no	no	fair		yes	440
1 00	1 00	no			2 30		no	no	fair	1	no	441
1 50	1 00	no			10 00	7 50	no	no	fair	8	no	442
1 50	2 00	yes	6 18	29 15	19 86	250 00	yes	no	good		yes	444
1 00	40	no					no	no	fair	3		446
1 50	1 20	no			17 00		no	no	good	5	no	447
												449
												450
1 50	2 00	no			5 00		no	no	good	1	no	452
1 00	1 00	no		7 00	26 12		no	sus	fair		no	453
1 00	1 00	no			35	13 25	no	no	fair	3	no	454
2 00	25	no			17 55		no	no	good			455
1 50	2 00	no		15 00		25 00	no	no		5	one	456
2 00	2 00	no		1 00	9 50	399 50	no	no	middling	7		457
												458
1 00	3 00	no			52 20	95 30	yes	no	gloomy	8	yes	459
1 00	1 00	no		4 45	1 09	14 00	no	yes	fair	6		461

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462	Ephraim Gaither	33	partly	no	no		fair	fair	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
463	Robt. Taylor	37	no	partly	partly		no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
464	Capt. Mace	21	partly	no	no		partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
465	Louis Duemler	33	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
466	Vandalia	30	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
467	Seaman	18	partly	no	no		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
468	Maj. Leonard	22	yes	no	no		no	no	fair	yes	ptly	ptly	yes
469	Lieut. Brooks	24	partly	partly	partly		no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
471	Ethel	16	no	no	no		no	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
472	Callaway	16	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
473	L. A. Weathermon	17	partly	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
475	Gov. Andrew	23	yes	no	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
476	Col. Parkinson	13	no	no	no								
477	Sumner	17	no	no	no								
478	New Union	29	partly	no	no	1	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
479	T. R. Lane	22	no	no	no		no	no	fair	fair	yes	no	yes
480	Gen. Hampton	40	no	no	no								
481	Goulding	19	partly	partly	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
482	John C. Fremont	16	partly	yes	yes		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
484	W. D. Porter	16	no	no	no								
485	Geo. B. McClellan	17	yes	no	no		yes	yes	poor	fair	yes	yes	yes
487	Dillard Bell	15	no	no	no		yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
488	L. Stevenson	22	yes	yes	partly	1	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
489	Maj. Ennis	23	yes	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
490	W. W. Leggett	22	no	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
492	Eagle	13	no	no	no								
493	Freeland	12	yes	yes	no		yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no
494	Jas. H. Fort	14	partly	no	no		fair	fair	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
495	E. D. Brown	38	partly	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
496	Col. Meuman	168	yes	yes	yes	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
498	Maj. Montgomery	11	no	no	no								
499	Jno. S. Miller	10	no	no	no								
501	Savon Parker	10	no	no	no								
504	Monroe Lee	18	no	no	no								
505	Col. P. Cornyn	35	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
506	T. Tietjen	45	yes	partly	partly		partly	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
507	Maj. Worthington	23	partly	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
509	Isaac Smith	23	partly	partly	yes		yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
510	Whitesville	25	yes	yes	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
511	Gen. Buford	15	no	no	no								
512	Harrison A. Gleim	61	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
513	Wm. Burris	10	no	no	no								
514	Jesse Turnage	34	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
515	Liberal	17	partly	no	no		fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
516	J. H. Crenshaw	28	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
517	Parnell City	17	no	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
519	Jno. Martin	30	no	no	no								
520	F. M. Slagle	21	no	no	no								
521	Papinsville	14	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
524	Drexel	31	no	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
525	Geo. W. Murphy	27	yes	yes	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
526	Geo. W. Walker	18	no	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
527	Boone Co	29	partly	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no
529	Ben Lewis	19	no	no	no								
530	Adjt. Pratt	17	no	no	no								
531	Belmont	24	no	no	no								
532	Flag Springs	17	partly	partly	partly		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

Amount charged for muster-in?	Amount charged for annual dues?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Amount expended for charity from December 31, 1883, to December 31, 1884?	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quarter-master?	Value of other property owned by the Post?	Is there a Corps of the W. R. C. connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans?	What are the prospects of the Post?	How many school districts or wards are represented in your Post?	Are the school houses in these districts supplied with the United States flag? If not, give the number of such district or ward?	No. of Post.
\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	no		\$ 24 93	\$ 142 41	\$ 35 00	yes	no	fair	6	no	462
1 00	1 00	no		11 40	18 75	40 00	no	no	fair			463
1 50	1 00	no		10 00	27 70		no	no	dull			464
1 00	1 00	no		15 25	5 70	20 00	no	yes	good		two	465
2 00	2 00	no		3 50	12 25	25 00	no	yes	fair	13	none	466
1 00	1 00	no					no	no	good	3		467
1 00	2 20	no			6 25		no	no	poor	6	none	468
1 50	30	no				3 00	no	no	good			469
1 00	40	no			10 63		no	no	poor			471
50	no	no					no	no	fair	5	none	472
2 00	1 20	no		1 00	7 11	14 00	no	no	good	4		473
1 00	50	no		6 00	12 60		no	no	fair	4	none	475
												476
												477
1 00	40	no			14 00	14 00	no	no	moderate	7	none	478
1 00	60	no			60	400 00	no	no	poor	3	No. 3.	479
												480
1 00	1 00	no				80 00	no	no	good	4	no	481
2 50	1 00	no			3 00	25 00	no	no	no	9	none	482
												484
1 50	1 20	no		17 00	58 55	10 75	yes	no	fair	4		485
1 00	35	no			17 72	5 50	yes	no	no	8	no	487
2 00	25	yes	11 35	2 00	23 55	12 55	no	no	good		seven	488
1 50	25	no					no	no	poor	1	no	489
1 50	1 00	no			22 00	10 00	no	no	fair	9		490
												492
1 00	1 80	yes	11 20	3 40	41 60		no	no	good	5	no	493
		no					no	no	fair			494
1 00	1 00	no				10 00	no	yes	good	1	none	495
3 00	3 00	no		41 60	610 88	300 00	yes	no	good			496
												498
												499
												501
												504
1 00	1 00	no			57 00	50 00	no	no	good	1	no	505
1 00	1 00	yes		8 00	10 75	14 00	no	yes	good	20	none	506
1 00	40	no			3 50	36 00	no	no	good	5	none	507
2 00	1 00	no			26 00	34 00	no	no	fair	1	yes	509
2 00	2 40	no		17 26	1 81	133 87	no	no	fair	8	six	510
												511
1 00	1 00	yes	85 00		22 05	17 50	no	yes	good	10	don't know	512
												513
1 00	1 00	no		106 00	4 65	50 00	no	no	good	4	no	514
1 00	1 00	no			2 50	20 00	yes	no	good	1	one	515
1 00	1 40	no			3 84	60 00	yes	no	good	3	no	516
2 00	1 00	no		10 00	20 00	300 00	no	no	good	1	two	517
												519
												520
1 80	1 00				3 10	16 20			good		no	521
1 00	1 40	no			5 25	9 80	no	no	fair			524
1 00	2 00	yes	3 83	10 00	26 33	50 00	no	no	good		partly	525
1 00	1 00	no				75 00	yes	yes	fair	6	no	526
1 00	2 00	no			9 45		no	no	moderate	4	yes	527
												529
												530
												531
1 00	50	no			5 34		no	no	poor	3	one	532

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

No. of Post.	NAME OF POST INSPECTED.	Number of members in good standing?	Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory and properly performed?	Are the officers and guards uniformed and equipped?	Are the members uniformed and equipped?	How many muskets are owned by the Post?	Are the officers regular in their attendance?	Are the members regular in their attendance?	Do they exhibit an interest in the Post?	Are the records complete and well kept?	Are orders received regularly, read to the Post and filed?	Are they duly obeyed?	Have all reports and dues been forwarded?
533	Capt. John Turney	17	no report	rt									
534	Sergt. Welch	35	no report	rt									
535	Sam'l Warner	28	no report	rt									
536	Aldrich	25	no	no	no		no	no	fair	yes	yes	ptly	yes
537	Tecumseh	22	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
538	Isabella	23	no report	rt									
539	Tillman Terrell	11	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	fair	no	yes	yes	yes
540	J. H. Weirich	27	partly	yes	yes		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
542	W. H. Harrison	27	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
543	S. S. Bell	20	partly	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
544	Gen. Jere. M. Rusk	25	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
545	Ridgeway	34	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	ptly	yes
546	T. L. Hampton	18	no	no	no	1	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
547	Col. Jno. H. Stover	11	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
548	W. A. Mills	19	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

Amount charged for muster in?	Amount charged for annual dues?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Amount expended for charity from December 31, 1898, to December 31, 1899?	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quarter-master?	Value of other property owned by the Post?	Is there a Corps of the W. R. C. connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans?	What are the prospects of the Post?	How many school districts or wards are represented in your Post?	Are the school-houses in these districts supplied with the United States flag? If not, give the number of such district or ward?	No. of Post.
1 00	25	no		2 74	2 33	40 00	no	yes	fair	5	no	533
1 50	00	no					no	no	good		yes	534
1 00	1 00	no		4 00			yes	no	good		yes	535
1 00	1 50	no			12 40	25 00	no	no	good		no	536
1 50	00	no			18 20	20 00	no	no	good		no	537
1 00	00	no			17 80	4 00	no	no	fair		no	538
1 50	00	no		2 00	15 25	5 00	no	no	good	2	no	539
1 00	2 50	no		55	42 37	30 00	no	no	fair	2	no	540
1 00	40	no			2 60		no	no	good		no	541
1 00	00	no					no	no	fair		no	542
1 00	00	no			1 00		no	no	good		no	543
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REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R.,
 OFFICE OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER,
 St. Louis, March 19th, 1895. }

LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander.

Comrade: I have the honor to submit the following report as Chief Mustering Officer of the Department of Missouri. There has been two Posts mustered during my term of office:

POSTS MUSTERED AS FOLLOWS:

Post No.	Name of Post.	Location.	Date of Charter.	By Whom Must'd.
547	Col. J. H. Stover	Aurora Spr'gs	Sep.31,'94	P. M. Musick.
548	Wm. A. Mills	Boyleless Mills.	Dec.29,'94	Wm. J. Brown.

I avail myself of the opportunity to return my sincere thanks to Comrades P. M. Musick and Wm. J. Brown, who so kindly assisted me in the work of my Department, by acting as Special Mustering Officers.

Fraternally,

FRANCIS P. BECKER,

Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R., }
 OFFICE OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR, }
 SEDALIA, MO., March 22, 1895. }

To the Officers and Members of the Department of Missouri, G. A. R.

Comrades: I have the honor to herewith submit my report as your Medical Director for the past year, and beg leave to say that I have met with the same impediments as my predecessors in presenting a just and fair account of the health and mortality of the Department during my term of office.

Reports have been received from only 271 Posts; but a few more than one-half of the Department, and those reporting only refer to the mortality. This report, as a consequence, must be very incomplete, and confined to the death roll only.

Of those Posts reporting, 143 have had no deaths, thus their names are omitted. The number of deaths reported are 242; the names appearing in this report. To this number may safely be added 100 more from the non-reporting Posts, thus raising our death roll to 367. A significant fact that the great army of heroes who rallied around the flag in our country's need is rapidly passing to the unknown.

I would that some plan might be adopted whereby the Medical Directors could be able to report succinctly, and yet fully, the condition of the Department relative to the health of the comrades as well as a true report of the mortality. Therefore, I would recommend that this Encampment take such steps at the present convention as will do away with semi-annual Surgeon's reports, and have only annually forwarded through the Adjutant's January report, a Surgeon's report covering the entire year, and in this report have a brief statement of the health and average age of the comrades.

I would refer the Encampment to the report and suggestions of the Surgeon General at the last National Encampment, from which to take our "cue" in this proposed change. It is of vital importance and should receive our immediate attention.

In closing I would not forget to acknowledge the many courtesies extended to me by the officers and members of this Department during my term of office, and I shall always hold you in fond remembrance.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

IRA T. BRONSON, M. D.,

Medical Director.

DEATH ROLL, DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
G. A. R., 1894.

No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1	Bohn, Aug	62	Private	A	5th U. S. R. C. Mo. V.	
1	Bang, Geo. T.	57	Ass. Surg.		2d Mo. Inf.	
1	Day, Thos. E.	62	Major		6th W. Va. Cav.	
1	Eierkuss, Wm	53	Private	B	2d Mo. Vol. Inf.	
1	Griffin, Thos. II.	59	Captain	C	1st Neb. Inf.	
1	Holfrich, John	72	Private	I	2d Mo. Art.	
1	Horkenbach, Aug	62	Private	H	41st N. Y. Inf.	
1	Huberle, Jos	52	Private	C	2d Mo. Art.	
1	Luebbert, J. H.	50	Private	H	46th N. Y. Inf.	
1	Lingenfeder, P. J.	52	Ass. Surg.		5th Mo. Cav.	
1	McMurty, H. F.	52	Private	G	40th Mo. Inf.	
1	Mueller, Fred	72	Private	D	28th O. Inf.	
1	Nolte, Louis	48	Private	A	17th Mo. Inf.	
1	Perry, W. R.	42	Drumm'r.	G	149th N. Y. Inf.	
1	Rosenthal, F. W.	64	Private	H	U. S. R. C.	
1	Shockey, Geo	69	Captain	G	134th Ind. Inf.	
1	Stout, O. G.	47	Private		2d O. Bat.	
1	Vornbrock, H	59	Private	B	4th U. S. R. C.	
1	Wolf, Aug.	67	Sergeant	I	5th Mo. Cav.	
1	Zott, A.	53	Private	C	Fremont Body G	
2	Keefer, Edward	48	Private	K	201st Pa. Inf.	
2	Rudolph, Chas	55	Private	C	5th Mo. Inf.	
2	Werner, Gus. H.	58	1st Lieut.	H	85th Mo. E. M.	
3	Boland, Michael	55	1st Sergt	E	2d U. S. Cav.	Old wound.
3	Fogarty, R. B.	53	2d Lieut.	B	5th N. Y. Inf.	Pneumonia.
3	Greene, John N.		Ass. Surg.		19th Ind. Inf.	Lung trouble.
3	Johnson, Geo. E.	66	Private	E	86th Ind. Inf.	Paralysis.
4	Moore, LeRoy F.	55	Private	K	10th Ky. Cav.	
5	Armstrong, W. A.	50	Corporal.	L	9th O. Cav.	
5	Mix, Eli H.	53	Private	A	39th O. Inf.	
6	Schneider, Chris	77	Corporal	E	Missouri	Old age.
6	Schirmer, Jacob	54	1st Sergt	H	1st Mo. Inf.	Rheumatism.
8	Baker, Wm.	59				Heart trouble.
8	Bronham, W. C.	50	Private		16th Ind. Art.	Suicide.
8	Borard, J. A.	46	Private	H	5th Ia. Cav.	
8	Rovertson, Wm	54	Private	B	Cass Co. H. G.	Old wounds.
8	Walley, Irwin	61	Private	K	2d O. Cav.	
8	Webster, Ed. H.	51	Captain	A	12th Ind. Inf.	Brain softening.
10	Connell, Stewart	69	Private	I	149th Ind. Inf.	Paralysis.
10	Snider, A. J.	51	Sergeant	H	59th Ill. Inf.	Cancer.
11	Murphy, Chas	63	Private	F	36th N. Y. Inf.	General debility.
12	Tilford, R. C.	78	Private	K	34th Ia. Inf.	Paralysis.
13	Buehler, Henry	65	Private	G	1st U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
13	Burkardt, Edw.	57	Private	A		Rheumatism.
13	Brunnelle, Henry.	72	Private	F	1st U. S. R. C.	La grippe.
13	Buettner, Geo	73	Private	B	1st U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
13	Fries, Jos	64	Captain	G	3d Mo. Inf.	Gun shot wound.
13	George, Conrad	56	Musician	D	1st U. S. R. C.	Consumption.

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
13	Krenning, F.	76	Private	I	1st Mo. Art.	Marasmus.
13	Kleeb, Christ.	50	Corporal	D	1st Mo. Engrs.	Typhoid fever.
12	Kumpf, Peter	66	Private	B	3d U. S. R. C.	Consumption.
13	Lohmann, Henry	61	Lieut.	H	2d Mo. Art.	Heart disease.
13	Masek, F.	62	Private	E	1st Mo. Inf.	Senility.
13	Otto, Frank	59	Private	B	9th Ill. Inf.	Paralysis.
13	Schweickardt, D.	56	Private	A	7th N. Y. Inf.	Consumption.
13	Schaner, A.	67	Private	D	2d Mo. Art.	Dropsy.
13	Schuchard, E.	70	1st Lieut.	I	1st U. S. R. C.	Suicide.
13	Spahn, John	74	Private	I	3d U. S. R. C.	Cancer.
13	Zimmerman, A.	52	Musician	D	1st U. S. R. C.	Consumption.
13	Walther, Philip	51	Musician	D	5th Mo. Inf.	Suicide.
14	Hutchinson, B. P.	48	Private		2d Kan. Art.	Consumption.
14	Johnson, A. P.					Heart disease.
14	Null, James	58	Private	I	7th Ia. Inf.	Dropsy.
14	Patch, Sam. H.	52	Private	C	11th Mo. Cav.	Heart disease.
14	Wilson, I.	45	Private	E	130th Ill. Inf.	.....
17	Sutherland, M.	47	Private	H	21st Mo. Inf.	Accident.
19	Berry, David	65	Sergeant	H	40th Ky. Inf.	Apoplexy.
19	Winrod, James	51	Sergeant	B	126th O. Inf.	Accident.
21	Honnold, J. G.	58	1st Lieut.	B	18th O. Inf.	Old wounds.
21	Yehla, W.	59	1st Sergt.	L	6th Ill. Cav.	Heart disease.
22	Keller, I. D.	47	Private	E	42d Mo. Inf.	.....
26	King, J. B.	52	Private	A	56th Ill. Inf.	Heart disease.
26	Lurver, W. B.	54	Private	E	113th Ill. Inf.	Peritonitis.
29	Porter, George	50	Private	F	43d Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
29	Creamer, A. W.	63	2d Lieut.	E	5th N. Y. Cav.	.....
31	Miller, Henry	52				Accident.
34	Johnson, O. H.	57	Private	F	124th Ill. Inf.	Abscess of liver.
39	Allen, James		Private	D		Consumption.
43	Bulkly, Chas. D.	84	Captain	E	3d Mo. Inf.	Old age.
43	Hansenberg, F.	65	Private	A	2d Ill. Art.	Consumption.
43	Green, A. G.	48	Corporal	G	3d Mo. Inf.	Pneumonia.
43	Perry, Jas. M.	65	Private	A	7th Wis. Inf.	Old wounds.
43	Robinson, R. B.	75	Captain	F	72d Ill. Inf.	Old age.
44	Calhoun, Jacob	49	Private	C	10th W. Va. Inf.	Pneumonia.
46	Fletcher, J. W.	76	Colonel		47th Mo. Inf.	Old age.
48	Breedlove, W. J.	72	Private	B	46th Mo. Inf.	Cancer.
48	Harris, Ephram	49	Private	C	110th Ill. Inf.	General debility.
48	White, W. W.	66	Private	C	23d Pa. Inf.	Accident.
38	Baitz, W. D.		Sergeant	C	42d Int Vol.	Heart disease.
53	Shuman, J. S.	68	Captain	H	11th O. Cav.	Locomotor ataxia.
58	Brooks, Ira W.	52	Private	B	44th Ill. Inf.	Consumption.
61	Ogle, Brantley	75	Private	B	18th Mo. Inf.	Dropsy.
68	Zimmerscherd, I.	54	Private			Dysentery.
69	Boyd, S. H.	66	Colonel		25th Mo. Inf.	Congestion.
69	Clark, L. P.	50	Private	D	8th Mo. Cav.	Consumption.
69	Lind, Andrew	57	Private	A	126th Ill. Inf.	.....
76	Hammond, R. B.	62	Sergeant	G	11th Ill. Inf.	Lung trouble.
81	Bollard, Jas. A.	55	Private	C	3d Mo. Cav.	.....

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
81	Snoddy, Osborn	83	Corporal	G	62d U. S. C. T.	Pneumonia.
86	Carter, W. S.	52	Sergeant	G	1st O. Lt. Art.	Cancer.
86	Richie, W. H.	46	Private	H	4th M. S. M.	Accident.
86	Wolf, M. K.	63	Sergeant	C	154th O. Inf.	Paralysis.
96	Deppen, W. H.	52	Private	C	76th O. Inf.	Paresis.
96	Rhoads, W. C.	74	Colonel		30th Ill. Inf.	General debility.
100	Castator, John	57	Corporal	G	21st Ind. Inf.	Heart disease.
102	Collier, J. M.	71	Captain	G	11th Mo. Cav.	Paralysis.
108	Hutchinson, Con.					
110	Williams, Philip	60	Private	B	69th M. S. M.	Pneumonia.
122	Pickett, Solomon	52	Sergeant	G	2d Mo. Inf.	Cancer.
122	Steen, Matt	61	1st Lieut.	D	1st Mo. Inf.	Typhoid fever.
128	Jennings, Clark	54	Private	H	13th Ind. Inf.	Heart failure.
129	Clark, John J.	61	Captain		Illinois	Dropsy.
135	Hunsarer, S. M.	59	Corporal	D	5th M. S. M. Cav.	Consumption.
137	Williams, E. M.	48	Private	C	115th N. Y. Inf.	
142	Smith, Wm. S.	65	Private	G	72d Ill. Inf.	
154	Brookhart, Wm.	60	Private	H	21st Mo. Inf.	
158	Miller, Elwood	51	Private	G	39th Mo. Inf.	Typhus fever.
161	White, E. D.	64	Private	F	Dallas Co. H. G.	General debility.
164	Lewis, H. N.	51	Private	G	5th Wis. Inf.	Cancer.
168	Schaffer, Wm.	53	Private	H	44th Mo. Inf.	Chronic diarrhœa.
172	Row, Vernon	56	Private	C	54th O. Inf.	Apoplexy.
173	Schievebem, W. H.	71	Private	K	5th M. S. M. Cav.	Cancer.
175	Craig, M.	53	Private	I	91st Ill. Inf.	Heart failure.
175	Dooley, Wm.	69	Sergeant	F	Kansas	Pneumonia.
175	Logan, John	46	Private	F	19th Kan Cav.	
175	Whitcrow, Jos.	46	Corporal	H	16th Kan Cav.	
177	Terfenning, Saml.	74	Private	B	104th Ill. Inf.	Heart failure.
182	Pinger, John					
201	Franklin, J. M.	62	Private	F	23d Mo. Inf.	Blood poisoning.
206	Burnett, Isaac	51	Private	I	6th M. S. M. Cav.	Paralysis.
206	Massey, A. J.		Private	A	38th Ind. Inf.	Erysipelas.
214	Hazzard, Isaac	47	Corporal	B	12th O. Inf.	Dropsy.
215	Crawford, J. M.	71	Private	C	33d Mo. Inf.	Paralysis.
215	Wampler, J. A.	47	Private	F	47th Mo. Inf.	Abscess of bowels.
215	Weinbrennen, C. H.	51	Private	B	5th Ill. Art.	Heart disease.
216	Stanley, Richard	65	Private	M	6th M. S. M.	Dropsy.
220	Higdon, J. H.	49	Private	H	123d Ind. Inf.	Endocarditis.
220	Hill, David C.	84	Private	I	29th Mo. Inf.	Dropsy.
221	Farley, Benj	86	Private	A	23d Mo. Inf.	General debility.
222	Land, James	51	Corporal	B	8th Ia. Cav.	Lung disease.
222	Scott, M. G.	52	Private	H	23d Mo. Inf.	Old wound.
227	Barton, Peter	49	Sergeant	I	80th E. M. M.	Phthisis.
232	Malder, John	55	Private	E	26th E. M. M.	Consumption.
232	Stout, Nathaniel	74	Private	P	7th N. J. Inf.	Pneumonia.
234	Parker, H. K.	58	Private	D	10th Mo. Cav.	Pneumonia.
235	Hecker, H. B.	53	1st Sergt	H	7th M. S. M. Cav.	Consumption.
235	Rice, John C.	55	Private	M	1st Ia. Cav.	
239	Mitchell, Chas	68	Private			Paralysis.

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	CO.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
240	Back, Peter...	58	Private	A	Boone Home G.	Cancer.
240	Lorenz, John ...	66	Private	A	16th Ill. Inf ...	Dysentery.
240	Halzworth, John	59	Private	K	3d Mo. Inf ...	Typhoid fever.
245	Boltz, Harrison	67	Private	H	2d E. M. M ...	Heart failure.
247	Risley, J. J.	42 (?)	Sergt		U. S. Sig. Corps.	Poisoning.
250	Dewalt, J. G ...	52	Private	M	100th Pa. Inf ...	Epilepsy.
250	Vanalinda, S. D	58	Private	B	80th O. Inf ...	Accident.
261	Bennet, Jeremiah	69	Private	F	3d Ind. Cav. ...	Paralysis.
261	Courtney, A	49	Private	H	13th Ind. Cav ...	Old wounds.
263	White, John	65	Sergeant	C	10th Mo. Cav ...	Bright's disease.
268	Hanna, J. N.	63	Private	H	12th Kan. Inf ...	Consumption.
273	Kuhlman, Henry	62	Private	A	4th Mo. Inf ...	Pneumonia.
274	Lecay, Walter	58	Private	C	15th Kan. Inf ...	Rheumatism.
274	Hanstan, W. F ...	62	Private	D	2d Ia. Inf ...	Rheumatism.
274	McKay, F. M	64	Private	F	23d Mo. Inf ...	General debility.
274	Ridens, John G	67	Private	K	24th Mo. Inf ...	.....
274	Sparks, J. R	54	Private	K	24th Mo. Inf ...	Rheumatism.
276	Bauer, Wm.	69	Sergeant	E	43d M. E. M ...	.....
276	McCamment, Jno	64	Private	L	16th Kan. Inf ...	.....
276	Rice, J. B	44	Private	E	25th Mo. Inf ...	.....
276	Remmert, Wm	68	Private	H	M. M. ....	.....
276	Martin, G. W	55	Private	C	43d M. E. M ...	Dropsy.
276	White, David	44	Private	C	3d Ky. S. M. ...	Bright's disease.
280	Barb, Jacob	58	Corporal	L	7th M. S. M. Cav.	Lung trouble.
282	Buck, S. T.	56	Ass. Surg		12th O. Inf ...	Heart disease.
282	White, Wm.	63	Private	D	44th Ill. Inf ...	Apoplexy.
284	Lanner, James	64	Private	H	8th Ill. Inf ...	Bright's disease.
286	Bowles, Almsted	58	Private	B	62d U. S. C ...	Lung trouble.
289	Colbert, Wm	66	Captain	A	49th Mo. Inf ...	Hemorrhage.
292	McCurdy, D. F	58	Private	A	24th Mo. Inf ...	Pneumonia.
293	Murry, J. H. H.	53	Sergeant	E	8th Mo. Inf ...	Exposure.
293	Thorn, Jas. W	57	Private	I	70th Ill. Inf ...	Dysentery.
301	Filip, Anton	51	Private	G	15th Mo. Inf ...	Kidney disease.
318	Donal, Wm. O	59	Sergeant	F	31st Ind. Inf ...	La grippe.
318	Gramer, A. J.	53	Private	D	109th Ill. Inf ...	Blood poisoning.
326	Bearnays, J. F	69	Surgeon			Blood poisoning.
332	Busch, D. L.	72	Private	D	54th M. E. M ...	Dropsy.
332	Gale, D. Q.	86	Colonel		54th M. E. M ...	Old age.
332	Mittendorf, H	52	Private	A	1st Mo. T ...	Blood poisoning.
340	Sumpter, Thos.	65	Lieut	L	62d E. M. M ...	Paralysis.
345	Fox, Chas. C.	54	Private	O	8th M. S. M ...	Suicide.
345	Fleemer, Wm. H	69	Private	M	7th P. E. M ...	Paralysis.
347	Bohrer, Geo		Private		O. Inf.	Pneumonia.
347	Fine, Jas. W.	51	Private	G	3d M. S. M ...	Gun shot wound.
348	Erlacker, Jos	67	Private	I	9th Ill. Cav ...	Pneumonia.
350	Wagner, Philip	60	Captain			.....
358	Akeman, Geo	49	Private	D	7th M. S. M. Cav.	Cancer.
358	Blakely, W. L	71	Private	B	7th M. S. M. Cav.	Pneumonia.
370	Morgan, L. J.	57	Private	E	33d Mo. Inf ...	Heart disease.
375	Sharp, Robert	51	Private	D	5th E. M. M ...	Consumption.

DEATH ROLL—CONTINUED.

No. Post	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
384	Higgins, Jacob	58	Private	D	15th Mo. Cav.	Cancer.
384	Jefferson, T. W.	50	Private	I	6th W. Va. Int.	General debility.
390	Dennis, Jonathan	66	Private	F	50th Mo. Inf.	Cancer.
390	Lenard, H. N.	50	Private	K	10th Mo. Cav.	Diabetes.
310	Kintzler, John	51	Private	A	105th Ill. Inf.	Bright's disease.
312	George, John L.	54	Private	C	7th M. S. M.	Diabetes.
322	Jackson, Geo. W.	50	Private	L	1st Ark. Cav.	Caries.
332	Moyn, Helmuth	59	Sergeant	A	Franklin Co. H. G.	Dropsy.
332	Cahill, Thos.	59	Corporal	E	59th Ill. Inf.	Pneumonia.
348	Becket, H. C.	66	Private	C	31st Mo. Inf.	Paralysis.
365	Brown, W. L.	52	Private	K	5th M. S. M. Cav.	Apoplexy.
379	Scism, Geo.	51	Private	F	2d Ill. Inf.	General debility.
391	Presson, W. A.	66	Lieut. Col.		73d Ill. Inf.	Cancer.
392	Peacock, W. H.	50	Private	D	69th Ind. Inf.	Pneumonia.
392	Seabourn, J. C.	46	Corporal	K	2d Mo. Lt. Art.	Gun shot wound.
408	Gosson, Gust.	65	Surgeon		2d La. Inf.	General debility.
417	Albers, Henry	71	Private	C	German Reg Benton Co., Mo.	Pneumonia.
418	Walker, J. W.	53	Private	C	55th Mass. Inf.	Heart disease.
431	Smith, Wm.	51	Private	E	2d M. S. M.	Consumption.
434	Parsons, Cyrus	51	Corporal	B	5th M. S. M. Cav.	Pneumonia.
440	Morris, G. H.		Private	G	10th Ill. Cav.	
444	Conrad, C.					Consumption.
444	McNamara, D.					Asthma.
453	Kieth, J. M.	82	Private	H	5th M. S. M.	Accident.
465	Lemkey, Chas	49	Private	C	26th Mo. Inf.	Dropsy.
465	Weisner, Louis	62	Private	A	2d Mo. R. B.	General debility.
471	Garton, Wm	67	Private	F	42d Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.
479	Snider, I. J.	66	1st Sergt.	H	8th Mo. Cav.	Cancer.
481	Alsup, Wm.	75	Lieut.	H	46th Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
481	Perkins, Thos	73	Private	I	73d Mo. Inf.	General debility.
496	Knecht, Fred.	72	Dv. Major.		40th Mo. Inf.	Dropsy.
496	Boel, John	61	Private	C	1st U. S. R. C.	Suicide.
496	Kesten, Daniel	65	Private	B	4th Mo. Cav.	Accident.
496	Otto, Henry	55	Private	F	2d Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.
496	Rothembuecher, C.	57	Private	D	4th Mo. Inf.	Sunstroke.
496	Stocker, Geo	81	Private	G	4th Mo. Inf.	Old age.
505	Bine, John		Private			
510	Adams, A. J.	51	Private	G	12th Mo. Cav.	Bright's disease.
516	Limon, Prosser	54	Private	G	2d Mo. Cav.	Dropsy.
526	Gannan, S. H.	58	Private	E	1st O. H. A.	Cancer.
533	Hoffman, Samuel	52	Private		1st Mo. Eng.	Insanity.
537	Sullens, Wash	57	Private	H	32d Ill. Inf.	
539	Noiese, Harry	53	Private	A	51st Miss. Inf.	Consumption.
544	Harris, Clare	75	Private	H	56th	Caries.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MISSOURI, G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN, }
 SPRINGFIELD, MO., April 16, 1895. }

Department Commander and Comrades:

As Department Chaplain of Missouri, I beg to present the following report:

I have received reports from the Post Chaplains of 230 Posts of the State of Missouri, and have carefully gleaned the following data:

1. Number of soldiers' graves decorated by these 230 Posts, 9,377.
2. Number of comrades buried by the Posts during the year, 281.
3. Number of Posts owning cemetery lots, 29.
4. Number of soldiers buried in potter's field, 118.
5. Number of graves unmarked by proper headstones, 1,131.
6. Number of Posts holding Sunday memorial services, 142.

7. The Posts usually met with some local church by invitation, and appropriate services were held, national hymns were sung, and a patriotic sermon delivered. The local pastor was usually assisted by the Post Chaplain. These Sunday services were largely attended, and proved enthusiastic and impressive.

8. Number of Posts who held Memorial Day services, 193.

9. Number of comrades present and assisting, 9,108.

10. Total number taking part in memorial services May 30, 132,300.

11. A special feature of our Decoration Day services is the participation of local civic societies in the parades and services; not only civic societies, but Sunday schools and the public schools.

The Sunday schools joined in the services with 56 Posts.

The public schools with..... 65 Posts.

High schools with..... 10 Posts.

Colleges with..... 5 Posts.

K. of P with..... 11 Posts.

A. O. U. W. with..... 20 Posts.

Masons with..... 3 Posts.

Knights of Macabees with..... 4 Posts.

Fire Departments with..... 5 Posts.

City Councils in a body with..... 6 Posts.

Woman's Relief Corps with..... 26 Posts.

Sons of Veterans with..... 25 Posts.

12. The usual order of services were as follows: Music by drum corps and brass bands; addresses by many noted men of the State;

often recitations by young people and children, together with poems and readings and patriotic songs.

13. The weather in most parts of the State was unpropitious, and the services delayed till late in the afternoon. Doubtless the attendance was lessened by this fact.

14. Many Posts report the gradual lessening of prejudice and the more general recognition of the fitness of the Memorial Day services; that many who formerly exhibited indifference, and even opposition, now are seen joining with the comrades in the recognition of the day.

15. Another feature that has proven a satisfaction to me is the fact that the Grand Army is essentially a religious body. Fully seventy per cent of the membership of our Posts are members of the various religious bodies of the State. When our membership is at home, engaged in their various pursuits, they are a quiet and orderly set. Sometimes, when we attend this State body, we exhibit a measure of hilarity which might be considered, by those who do not know us, as out of keeping with our character as a body composed so largely of Christian men.

16. Special mention might be made of Grover Post No. 78, which dedicated a beautiful shaft to the Union soldiers and sailors. The monument is twenty-one feet high, and cost \$1,500. The Post was assisted by a number of civic societies and 5,000 citizens.

17. Blair Post No. 1 dedicated a monument to Gen. Jno. McNeil, at Bellefontaine Cemetary, St. Louis. The oration was delivered by Col. Wells H. Blodgett. Blair Post was assisted by a number of other Posts. It is an evidence that there is no decadence of patriotism, when two such costly shafts shall be erected in one year.

18. Post No. 67, Tarkio, made Decoration Day an opportunity of securing eighteen applications for membership.

19. I desire to commend the efforts of sixty-five of our Posts, during last year, in securing the co-operation of so many of our public school children in their Memorial Day services; also those Posts who succeeded in securing the co-operation of so many civic societies in these services. It is the paramount purpose of the G. A. R. to instill in the hearts of the rising generation the patriotic feelings that they cherish toward their comrades who laid down their lives in behalf of their country, and if they can secure their active co-operation in these services while the comrades are living, this loyal purpose will the sooner be accomplished.

20. Only one Post reported that the speaker in the Sunday services preceding memorial day used language and sentiments out of keeping with the sacred observance, and which was offensive to the soldiers. Avoid such speakers. Any man who will use such occasions to utter sentiments personal and out of harmony with the occasion, is unworthy of his holy calling.

21. I also wish to call attention to the growing tendency of cities and towns to avail themselves of the crowds who assemble together on Memorial Day, for the purpose of games and horse racing, and other engagements which are hostile to the purposes of this holy day. The G. A. R. can not inveigh too strongly against such innovations, which, if encouraged, will eventually subvert the purposes of this day.

22. The usual number of our comrades have, during the present year, been mustered into the Grand Army above. Three hundred more will pass over next year. May we all have the satisfaction that those who shall be called shall be as loyal to truth and righteousness as they were to their country's liberty and her institutions.

Yours in F., C. & I.,

W. C. CALLAND,

Department Chaplain.

Senior Vice Department Commander Louis Fischer in the chair announced the following committee on address of the Department Commander: Past Department Commanders Leo Rassieur, George W. Martin, Charles W. Whitehead, Chas. G. Burton, and Post Commander J. S. Rogers.

The Department Commander resumed the chair.

The Department Commander: The next in order will be the report of the Department Chaplain.

Same read by the Department Chaplain and referred to appropriate committee. (See page 75.)

The Department Commander: I will appoint the following committees:

On the report of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General: Comrades J. L. Briggs, Post 14; Thos. W. Evans, Post 7, and W. G. Hills, Post 131.

On reports of Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders, Chief Mustering Officer, Medical Director and Chaplain: Comrades H. P. Porter, Post 440; Val. Barth, Post 13, and Alfred Brant, Post 4.

On Resolutions: Comrades T. S. Maxwell, Post 1; Chas. Niedringhaus, Post 2; M. G. Netherton, Post 222; Aug. Bierwirth, Post 173, and F. B. Tuttle, Post 14.

On Inspector's report: Comrades F. M. Sterrett, Post 1; J. T. Stewart, Post 43, and A. B. Logan, Post 78.

On Woman's Relief Corps: Comrades J. R. Milner, Post 69; W. H. Lusk, Post 6, and N. S. Richardson, Post 23.

The Department Commander: Comrades, we are always glad to meet our old comrades, even if they are residents of other Departments, and I would ask General Prentiss to step up here on the platform and not squeeze himself down there in a corner. (Applause and cheers for General Prentiss.)

The Department Commander: These committees that have been appointed I hope will be ready to report immediately after the parade at 3 o'clock.

Comrade Broadwell, Post No. 1: I make a motion that we proceed now to the nomination, without speeches, of representatives and alternates to the National Encampment, so that the names can be printed for the use of the Encampment to-morrow.

The Department Commander: The first order will be to suspend the rules.

Comrade Broadwell: Then I make that motion.
Seconded and carried.

The Department Commander: The motion made by Comrade Broadwell is that we now proceed to the nomination of representatives so that we can have the names printed for use to-morrow; the nominations to be made without speeches.

Motion adopted.

The Department Commander: The first in order is how are you to select them.

Comrade Milner, Post 69: I would move that of the comrades nominated, the seventeen comrades receiving the highest number of votes be declared the representatives, and the comrades receiving the next highest the alternates.

The Department Commander: The motion is now before you that the seventeen receiving the highest number of votes be the representatives, and the next highest the alternates.

Seconded, carried.

The Department Commander: Now nominations for representative and alternate-at-large are in order.

Comrade Milner, Post 69, nominated Comrade A. J. Smith of Post 1 for representative-at-large.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: I will nominate Comrade Gen. Prentiss for alternate-at-large.

Comrade Prentiss: I would not desire the position, neither could I accept it; I could not accept it under any circumstances.

The Department Commander: Gen. Prentiss is not a member of this Department, therefore your motion is out of order.

Comrade Milner: I move that we suspend the rules and elect Gen. A. J. Smith as representative-at-large.

Comrade Maxwell, Post 1: I move that that be extended to include the election of alternate-at-large.

Seconded and carried.

The question was put and Comrade A. J. Smith was declared unanimously elected as representative-at-large by a rising vote.

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: I rise to nominate our late Assistant Adjutant General, Comrade Thomas B. Rodgers, of Post No. 1, as alternate-at-large, and move that he be elected by acclamation.

The motion was seconded and carried.

Comrade Thos. B. Rodgers was declared duly elected as alternate-at-large by a rising vote.

The following were nominated as delegates to the National Encampment, to be held at Louisville, Ky., September 11th, 12th and 13th, 1895:

VAL. BARTH, Post 13, St. Louis.
 THOS. W. EVANS, Post 7, St. Joseph.
 CHAS. NIEDRINGHAUS, Post 2, St. Louis.
 GEO. E. SMITH, Post 131, St. Louis.
 J. B. DAVIS, Post 4, Kansas City.
 M. WETZLER, Post 72, Trenton.
 ADAM FISCHER, Post 1, St. Louis.
 J. S. ROGERS, Post 17, Cameron.
 M. G. NETHERTON, Post 222, Bancroft.
 J. W. BARNES, Post 179, Memphis.
 A. H. CASHION, Post 273, Perryville.
 V. J. MATHEWS, Post 1, St. Louis.
 GEO. O. COBB, Post 109, Hopkins.
 A. GORTY, Post 168, Braymer.
 JOHN P. TRACY, Post 69, Springfield.
 H. F. GLAHN, Post 36, Clarence.
 HORACE P. PORTER, Post 440, Foster.
 E. S. MCMURPHY, Post 23, Macon.
 R. W. DAVIS, Post 57, Brookfield.
 E. S. MINER, Post 124, Bethany.
 W. H. GRAHAM, Post 453, Middletown.
 W. B. SWARTZ, Post 12, Grant City.
 JOHN T. BIRDSEYE, Post 26, Nevada.
 JOS. T. EARHART, Post 235, Montrose.
 FRANCIS F. AUDSLEY, Post 178, DeWitt.
 J. B. McCAMPBELL, Post 68, Green Ridge.
 A. W. ST. JOHN, Post 16, Carthage.
 W. F. HENRY, Post 3, Kansas City.
 JNO. W. SCOTT, Post 5, Moberly.

CHAS. T. KERLS, Post 107, St. Louis.

JACOB RENSIMER, Post 487, Marceline.

J. E. LEWIS, Post 268, Brunswick.

F. D. W. ARNOLD, Post 34, Lamar.

H. E. ROBINSON, Post 21, Maryville.

J. R. HOLLIBAUGH, Post 14, Joplin.

IRA T. BRONSON, Post 53, Sedalia.

G. W. EDWARDS, Post 343, St. Louis.

H. EVANS, Post 477, New Cambria.

HENRY DEBELL, Post 459, St. Joseph.

D. C. GRAVES, Post 251, Eldorado Springs.

D. S. HARRIMAN, Post 8, Kansas City.

WM. RONEY, Post 76, Kidder.

EUPHRATES BOUCHER, Post 118, Mt. Vernon.

Comrade Broadwell moved that nominations close.

Seconded and carried.

Recess was here taken till 1 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION, WEDNESDAY,
APRIL 17, 1895.

Addresses of welcome were delivered by Comrade C. P. Hess, Chairman of Committee of Arrangements, of Macon, Mo., and Hon. Webster Davis, Mayor of Kansas City, Mo., on behalf of the Mayor of Macon, Mo., after which there were calls for Ex-Senator Jno. J. Ingalls, who came forward and addressed the Encampment.

Telegram from Comrade C. N. Clark, read by Assistant Adjutant General, announcing his inability, on account of sickness, to be present.

Encampment then took recess to engage in the parade.

AFTER RECESS.

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: Before we take up the regular order of business there is a motion that I would like to make, and it is this: A comrade who was a Missouri soldier, and who would like to have his name added to the list of nominations as delegate was unable to reach the Encampment until that order of business was disposed of; and I would like to make the motion, if I am in order, that the name of Euphrates Boucher be added to the list of delegates to the National Encampment.

Seconded and carried.

The Department Commander: We will now hear the report of the committee on Inspector's report, if it is ready to report.

Committee on Inspector's report, through its Chairman, Comrade Sterrett, of Post 1, reported as follows:

Department Commander:

Your committee to whom was referred the report of the Department Inspector beg leave to report that they find the work performed by Inspector Jno. W. Scott, during the past year, to have been done with more than usual thoroughness. The recommendations therein contained made for a consolidation of outlying Posts, is commended to the careful consideration of this Encampment.

F. M. STERRETT,
J. F. STEWART,
A. B. LOGAN,

Committee.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

The Department Commander: We will now have the report of the committee on Medical Director's report.

The committee on reports of the Medical Director, Chief Mustering Officer, Chaplain, Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders, through its chairman, Comrade Porter, made the following report:

Your committee on reports of the Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders, the Medical Director, Chaplain, Judge Advocate and Chief Mustering Officer approves the work done by each, believes that their recommendations are born of an enlightened experience and commends their zeal to this Encampment.

The report of the Department Chaplain is characterized by a degree of originality that emphasizes his fitness for similar work in an enlarged field, and we respectfully recommend that his report be published in the Journal of this Encampment.

HORACE P. PORTER,
VAL. BARTH,
ALF. BRANT,

Committee.

Moved and seconded that this report be received and adopted.

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: It seems to me that something more ought to be done, if it is possible to do it, than the mere adoption of that report; there is the matter of the Chaplain's report that is of the most intense interest to every comrade of the Grand Army, and to every soldier of the Union Army now living, whether he is a member of this organization or not. The part of the report to which I allude is the part of it which calls attention to the fact, extremely humiliating it must be to every one of us, that over one hundred of our soldiers have found their last resting place in the potters field. Comrades, it is a disgraceful thing to the Grand Army of Missouri that that exists; and it seems to me, Commander, that some steps ought to be taken by this Department to remedy that condition of affairs; some steps ought to be taken by this Department, it seems to me, to take up those bodies from the potters field and have them buried in a proper cemetery; and then, in addition to that, I think steps ought to be taken to place a proper head stone on every soldier's grave in Missouri where it has not already been done. (Applause.) I move you that that

portion of the report, embracing the Chaplain's report, be referred back to the committee with instructions to report back to the Department such steps as the Department should take.

The Department Commander: The motion is that the report of the committee be adopted, except that portion relating to the Chaplain's report, and that that part be referred back to the committee for further report.

Which, upon being put to vote, was carried.

The Department Commander: We will now listen to the report of the committee on the Assistant Adjutant General's report.

Comrade J. L. Briggs, Chairman of the committee, made the following report.

To the Department Commander and Comrades of the Fourteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri:

In passing upon the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, your committee desires to commend that officer for his concise and correct report and the apparent care in its preparation.

The suggestions relative to suspended members is worthy of consideration, but in the opinion of your committee can be more properly handled locally than by general rules.

His suggestions relative to Picket Posts is in accord with the recommendations of the Department Commander, and we therefore believe that this subject can more properly be passed upon by the committee on the address of the Department Commander.

J. L. BRIGGS,
THOS. W. EVANS,
WM. G. HILLS,

Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

The Department Commander: We will now hear from the committee on Woman's Relief Corps.

Comrade Milner: We will state that we visited the Woman's Relief Corps, found them in session, and they stated that they would appoint a committee to return our greetings to-morrow.

The Department Commander: Is the committee on resolutions ready to report?

Committee reported nothing to report on at present.

Comrade Louis Fischer, Senior Vice Department Commander, in the chair.

The Department Commander, pro tem.: We will now hear the report of the committee on Department Commander's address.

Comrade Burton, Chairman of the committee made the following report:

Department Commander and Comrades:

Your committee, to whom was referred the address of the Department Commander, would respectfully report that its sentiments merits the approval of every comrade of the Department. As to the consolidation of Posts recommended by the Department Commander, we are of the opinion that the recommendation, if carried into effect, would vitally effect the organization, and is within the sole jurisdiction of the National Encampment, which should only act after careful consideration by all the Posts, and more particularly by the Posts likely to be effected.

On behalf of the Department we return thanks to the Department Commander for his zeal, industry and efficiency in the discharge of the important duties entrusted to him. We especially commend the remarks of the Commander upon the services of Comrade Thos. B. Rodgers as Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, and for ourselves and our comrades tender to him our best wishes for his success in his new field of labor.

Respectfully submitted.

C. G. BURTON,
J. S. ROGERS,
GEO. W. MARTIN,
LEO RASSIEUR,
C. W. WHITEHEAD,
Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted.

The Department Commander in the chair.

The Department Commander: We are now under the head of miscellaneous business.

Comrade Burton, Post 26: I move that we now proceed to the election of officers, and that nominating speeches be limited to ten minutes, and seconding speeches to two minutes.

Comrade Scott, Post 131: I don't think that all the members are present, and you would be doing them an injustice. I therefore move to amend by fixing the special hour of

10 o'clock to-morrow morning to elect the officers for this Encampment.

Seconded.

Comrade Broadwell, Post 1: As an amendment to the amendment, I move that we proceed to the nomination of candidates for Department Commander, and that the election take place to-morrow at the hour of 9 o'clock A. M.

Comrade Burton: I will vote for the substitute, to nominate this afternoon, and vote to-morrow at 9 o'clock A. M.

The Department Commander: We may as well lay the whole matter over until to-morrow.

Comrade Broadwell: I will withdraw my substitute.

Comrade Maxwell: I would make a motion that when this Encampment adjourns it adjourns to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, and that it then sit in continuous session until the business of the Encampment is transacted.

Seconded and carried.

Comrade Broadwell: I make a motion that we meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock and take up the election of officers at once.

Seconded and carried.

At this stage of the proceedings Past Department Commander Rassieur was called to the chair and introduced Commander-in-Chief, Thos. G. Lawler, who addressed the Encampment as follows:

The Commander-in-Chief Lawler: Commander and comrades. I feel it a great honor to stand here before the Department of Missouri—a Department which ranks second to none in the Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.) This Department has also a Commander-in-Chief whose record placed him high among the honored men that have held this important position—Comrade Warner. (Applause.) And as I stand here before you, and realize that Missouri is the neighbor of Illinois (the State from which I hail), I feel it a great honor to be permitted to look into your faces, and to take you by the hand and wish you "God speed" in this noble work of our Order. I have had the pleasure and the privilege of

meeting, thus far, with twenty-one Departments of the Grand Army of the Republic, and everywhere the Encampment has said to me: "Pass the word along down the line that we are standing shoulder to shoulder in the good work." And I want to say to you that that tie that binds us closer than any tie among any other set of men on earth was never drawn so tight, or so close, as it is to-day. The membership of the Grand Army of the Republic, whether depending on the principles for which our comrades died, for which you men suffered privation and wounds, the principles that we have maintained during these twenty-nine years of our existence will continue just so long as we breath and just so long will the old flag be upheld and the principles of American patriotism be taught to the rising generation. And I am glad to say to you that it is not simply the old soldier that is reviving all this patriotic feeling, but I find the citizens everywhere. Comrades, I wish you could have been with me on my trip through the South. I have been there since the war, and I know, as I told the people there, the men who fought against us, and who now tried to aid the organization of which you are a part, and which I, as your representative among them, they tried to honor me for you; I said: I take you for your word; we do not lower our standard; we know that we were right; we are glad that you accept and say that the result is all right; that you take pride in standing by the side of General Gordon, and these men that have come North among us, and say that you, too, are American citizens, and love your flag. (Applause.) And all through the East, men, women and children vie with each other to do honor to the men who compose the membership of the Grand Army of the Republic. Yesterday, in Hopkinsville, Kentucky, the public school children were formed in front of each school house, and sang patriotic songs, and each one bore a little flag. I say, to the children it is an object lesson; we do not realize it, perhaps, so much as the younger people; you and I, as we move through the daily walks of life, are object lessons; they are beginning to revere us as men who are passing rapidly down the slope of time; as men, who, since the war, have done much to shape matters. until to-day we are a better and a grander people all over this republic than we would

have been had it not been for our services in honor of the old flag. Now I want to say to you that the best class of citizens everywhere since the war have been the men who composed the membership of the Grand Army of the Republic. You show me a good soldier and I will show you a good citizen. And I want to say to you that I am pained, as I go around now and find old comrades, because there are many of them that have reached an age when they are no longer able to compete in the labor market, and when we stop to consider that the men who served from 1861 to 1865 gave the best years of their lives for their country, that they gave the time when they ought to have been preparing themselves for a profession, or matters of business, and when they came out of the army it was too late to take up these lines, and they would have to suffer along at day labor. Congress did go so far as to grant a pension of from \$6 to \$12 to every soldier not able to perform manual labor, but many of them show me notices, that they have received, that their pensions have been reduced; and I say to the comrades who are elected as delegates to the National Encampment at Louisville, that you go there "loaded for bear." (Applause.) An old comrade of mine came to me a short time ago when I was at home and said: "I don't know what to do about this notice." I said: "You may as well accept the situation at present, otherwise they might cut you off entirely." He said: "I don't care a cent about the money, but my boy brought it from the post office to where I was out in the field, and he said: 'Pa, are you one of the frauds?'" He cried as he was telling it. He said that he would not take all the money that the Government had and have his boy think that he was a fraud.

I want to say another thing—I find from the reports of the Adjutant General that the suspension list is large; and I want to say to you that the membership this year I think will not fall far short of what it was a year ago. The death rate we cannot stop; that will go on increasing year after year very rapidly; but I want to ask you comrades who can by your ingenuity, by your brain, or by your pocket, hold these old fellows in the Post that are not able to pay dues, that ought not to be asked to pay dues, and that may be too proud to tell

you, but who have, at the same time, been doing work to build up this organization. I say don't strike them from the roll. We want to hold together; we want to hold together all old comrades because there is not any other place in the world that a good old soldier would rather be than among his comrades in his Post meetings; and now in these latter days don't suspend them; don't do anything to lead them to think that they are not entirely welcome with us; let them come in and touch elbows with us and look forward to the time of our departure, because it must come to all; and when it does come, the satisfactory part of it is, that, if there are enough men left in the Post to perform that service, we will be buried by our comrades, and "Old Glory" will float over our graves.

Now, I want to urge you to another work. I have been pleased, in the city of New Orleans, to find the great changes that are going on in that city, and in the city of Richmond, Va.; every school house in those two cities, white and black schools, have "Old Glory" floating from it. (Applause). And they have been put there through the influence of the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. It costs more, and I know it does here in Missouri, and in some other parts, to be a member of the Grand Army of the Republic than it does in Illinois, and States differently situated; we realize that, that the act of those men in going steadily forward in the principles of our organization, when those hospitable and chivalrous people see that they are permitted to place the flag over the school houses in these cities. The Inspector General submitted, sometime ago, a report made up from inquiry into condition of affairs in this regard in the State of Michigan; the result arrived at was that out of 26,558 school houses the American flag floated over 17,984. I tell you, comrades, this is a work that while we may grow old and not able to carry on much longer, let us do what we can to preserve the stability, perpetuity and independence of the greatest Government on the face of the earth, and transmit it to our children in a better condition than we found it; and let education and patriotism go hand in hand and there shall be no other civil war in this great country of ours.

Now, comrades, I want to see you with us next September. I would like to see the Department of Missouri attend the National Encampment, not alone because it will be a personal gratification to me, but because it will be the first time that you have held the National Encampment South of what is known as "Mason's and Dixon's Line." I was in Louisville last Saturday and Sunday, and I tell you they are heartily hospitable there and they are going to do everything that they can to make it pleasant for you. All railroads from the North centering there, at Louisville, have agreed to a one cent per mile rate, or better, and every road to the South has agreed to sell tickets to every battle field or city in the South at the same rate—one cent per mile. And the week following the Encampment comes the dedication of that great military park of Chickamauga. I want you all to attend this National Encampment for two reasons: One is to show this people that we, as loyal American citizens, bear no hatred or animosity. We will go down there singing the old songs of the Union, and bearing the flag that, thank God, has become the flag of the entire Union—"Old Glory." (Applause.)

In response to unanimous calls, General Prentiss addressed the Encampment:

General Prentiss: The Chaplain was right when he informed the audience that I carried a cane, to look out. It is a play thing to me. Nothing ever has preserved me better, given me more strength, than the enthusiasm born within me when I talk about the people of Missouri, and try to teach them true patriotism. (Applause.) I know we have the great State of the Union. (Applause.) I know the grandeur of Missouri. I put foot on this soil in 1836. I left it for a cause, as I am ashamed to say to-day, that has blasted the entire State, but it is a changed Missouri, the State getting better and better. (Applause.) Every move that you have made has lifted the banner higher and higher. (Applause.) I am glad to see our Commander-in-Chief here. I taught him how to fight. (Laughter.) When I made a soldier out of him little did I think that I was manufacturing a National Commander. (Laughter). I came within four days of being President of the United States—that was on account of Frank Lawler—you

remember it. (Laughter.) It was not a National disappointment. However, it was better for Missouri that a lot of them were disappointed last fall. (Laughter.)

Now, comrades, in regard to pensions, I was asked if I would not accept a pension, and I said "no;" pension all the men that carried muskets, I will not take a cent from Congress. (Applause.) But you are here to transact business; you are here for the purpose of selecting men as your officials; select the best men you can; men that can speak your sentiments at the National Encampment, and men who will go there if they are elected; men that will not stop to count the expense of attending that convention.

Mr. Chairman, I have recently returned from the South, and, I am ashamed to state to the Grand Army of the Republic of Missouri that where 10,000 soldiers were assembled on the battle field of Shiloh, that I visited some ten days ago, and returned within two or three days past, and when I visited that battle field I met there 10,000 people, and in looking over the audience, and making inquiry through friends and acquaintances and taking by the hand every Missourian that I could find, what do you suppose was the number of Union soldiers representing this greatest of the forty-four States of this Union? The number was nine. It is a shame and a disgrace to the State. Steamboats loaded from other States, aggregating thousands, to nine Union Missourians—but they were good ones. General Van Hom was there, and General Tressler of the 8th Missouri was there. We met many leading men from the South, who took us by the hand. Now boys (I call you boys because you are comrades), I talked just as plain to the people of the South as I would dare talk to you here to-day; I talked that "the truth was mighty and would prevail;" and as I was addressing them I could see that I had the audience; they came closer and closer as I represented our ideas in the North, and compared them with those of the very men that fought us on the bloody battle fields of the South; and when we left a rush was made to take the Union Generals by the hand. These men were induced to make war against the flag of our country by designing men that ought to have been shot. (Applause.) Enough of that. Let us be friends from this time on so far as everybody

behaves themselves. We are different up here from most of the people, let me explain it so we will understand it. We had a different warfare in Missouri from what they had down there; we had an element that did not know what it was to love the flag—I mean the bushwhacking element on both sides. I wish I could talk as I would like to, but I know that time is precious, you are to have a camp fire to-night, and there will be so many to talk to you. But let me conclude what I have to say this afternoon by asking you to teach your children to love the flag of your country that they may ever defend it. (Applause.)

Adjournment was here taken to meet at 9 o'clock A. M., April 18, 1895.

SECOND DAY, MORNING SESSION, APRIL 18, 1895.

Encampment opened by prayer by Department Chaplain Calland.

The Department Commander called attention to the fact that on adjournment it was understood that the morning session would begin with nomination of officers, and that nominating speeches were limited to ten minutes and seconding speeches to two minutes.

On motion of Comrade Broadwell, nominating speeches were limited to five minutes.

The Department Commander: Nominations are now in order.

Comrade Rassieur, Post 1: It gives me pleasure to be able to present a name to you for the honorable and important position of Department Commander for this Grand Department. No position in our gift is more important; no position in this State is of more importance or requires better capacity than that of Department Commander of this Department. I desire to present one whose military record finds nothing to be wished for. He served in the 18th Mo., was wounded at the battle of Shiloh, and after his recovery he again entered the service and was made Captain of the 49th Mo. at the close of the war, on the very day that Lee surrendered to Grant. That record is grand enough as a military record, but I do not rest the claim upon his military record alone; he is a man of executive ability; a man who can represent this Department in all ways that you may require of a comrade. He has never run for any office but he ran ahead of his ticket. And in presenting his name I want to say why I take so much interest in this connection in presenting it. When a comrade of mine is attacked in that which is dearer to him than all else in this world I stand by him in the face of those who attack him. (Applause.) And when I learned that this candidate was attacked by a scurrilous villian who dare not make his name known, I say I am for Comrade Louis Beneke. (Applause.)

Comrade Tracy, Post 69: I have listened with a great deal of interest to the remarks of Comrade Rasseur, and I can say to you that I endorse all that he has said; but, my comrades, I cannot see how we can miss the fair haired boy of nineteen, with sparkling eyes, full of enthusiasm, patriotic, enlisted in the armies of this country and under the flag on the fourth day after the first call for volunteers to save this country. I saw this boy leave his home, go into the armies of his country, becoming a private of the first regiment accepted by the government of the United States from his State, in defense of the old flag. I see that boy in his career as a private soldier as he followed his flag to victory. I see that boy come back from the armies of the United States (from the armies of the Union) and become a citizen, and enter upon an honorable career, having served in the legislature of the State of his adoption. And I see that boy a member of the Grand Army of the Republic since its organization. I see him in responsible positions in this Department and a devoted Grand Army man both in ability and zeal, and I offer you now, comrades, the name of a comrade known to every comrade in this Department, and one who ought to be made Commander of this Department. I name Comrade E. J. Smith, of Sedalia. (Applause.)

Comrade A. L. Alvord, Post 124: Department Commander. For the important office of Department Commander for the State of Missouri, my candidate vies with all, but he was only seventeen years old when he entered the service. I am requested by my comrades of Caldwell County, Mo., to present the name of a candidate from a county that furnished more soldiers to the Union army than any other county in the State: a county in which, to-day, one-third of its floating population is ex-union soldiers. On behalf of my comrades in that county I want to present to you as a candidate for this high office the name of John P. Platt, of Kingston, Mo. (Applause.) If you want a Department Commander that has got patriotic blood in his veins, I say to you that he had a father and three brothers that went forward with him to the front to fight the battles of his country. If you want a man who is zealous in this great work, and we all know that a man to be a successful Department Commander must be zealous in Grand Army work, we

have in him a candidate that never fails to attend a meeting of his local Post, that is always on hand at the meetings of the Department Encampment of the State, and has held high and important offices in this body, he having been Senior Vice and Junior Vice Department Commander. He is zealous and faithful in all his relations as a Grand Army man. He entered the army of the United States in June, 1861, and shortly after was disabled, and as soon as he was able to do so he re-entered the service and went to the front and participated in the severe battles of Franklin and Nashville. He never wore shoulder-straps; he never rode a steed as black as night "from Winchester town," but he was in the front rank at Franklin, a battle distinguished in the war of the rebellion as being a battle wherein more damage was done to the enemy, and less damage to our own forces than any battle in that war.

On motion nominations were closed, and the Encampment proceeded to ballot for Department Commander. The following comrades were appointed as tellers: J. C. Broadwell, Post 1, M. Wetzler, Post 72, D. P. Stubblefield, Post 33, and W. A. Fast, Post 53.

The Assistant Adjutant General read the following telegram from Comrade Warner:

KANSAS CITY, MO., April 18th, 1895.

To Judge Charles P. Hess:

Business that will not admit of postponement prevent my attending the Encampment. Am greatly disappointed. Love to the boys, God bless them.

WILLIAM WARNER.

Past Department Commander Burton in the chair.

The Department Commander pro tem.: I would suggest that while the tellers are counting the ballots that we proceed with the nominations of the next in order.

Past Department Commander, George W. Martin, was called to the chair.

Comrade Burton placed in nomination for Senior Vice Department Commander, Comrade J. L. Briggs, of Post 11.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131, placed in nomination for Senior Vice Department Commander, Comrade Alfred Brant, of Post 4.

On motion nominations were closed, and the following comrades were appointed as tellers:

N. W. Taylor, Post 131; Geo. O. Cobb, Post 109; A. H. Cashion, Post 273; Chas. Bieger, Post 496.

A ballot was had and the tellers retired to count the votes.

The Department Commander: The tellers report the result of the ballot for Department Commander, as follows:

Total number of votes cast 366; necessary to a choice 184; of which Comrade Louis Benecke received 198; Comrade E. J. Smith, 60; Comrade J. P. Platt, 107 votes.

On motion of Comrade Platt, the election of Comrade Benecke was made unanimous, and the Department Commander declared him duly elected as Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Peterson moved that we now proceed to the election of representatives and alternates to the National Encampment.

Seconded; carried.

The following were appointed additional tellers: Jas. R. Milner, Post 69; R. D. Cramer, Post 179; B. F. Heiny, Post 22; H. Fairback, Post 131; T. B. Tuttle, Post 16; C. M. Burnham, Post 17; D. P. Dobyns, Post 45; A. B. Logan, Post 78.

A ballot was then taken, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

Vote for Senior Vice Department Commander was announced, as follows:

Total number of votes cast, 329; necessary to a choice, 165; of which Comrade Briggs received 238; Comrade Brant received 91.

Comrade Brant: I now want to make a motion to make this vote unanimous for Comrade Briggs.

Seconded; carried.

Whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General, by direction of the Department Commander, cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade J. L. Briggs, Post 14, who was declared duly elected as Senior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

The Department Commander pro tem.: We will now proceed to election of Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade C. P. Hess, Post 23, nominated.

Seconded.

Comrade Peterson moved that nominations close, and that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Hess.

Seconded; carried.

Whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General, by direction of the Department Commander, cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Hess, who was declared duly elected as Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Department Commander Louis Grund in the chair.

The Department Commander announced nominations for Medical Director in order.

Comrade Craemer, Post 179, placed in nomination for Medical Director Comrade Samuel Neeper, Post 110.

Comrade R. M. Depew, Post 340, moved that nominations for Medical Director close, and that the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Samuel Neeper, for Medical Director.

Seconded; carried.

Whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General, under direction of the Department Commander, cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Samuel Neeper, who was declared duly elected as Medical Director for the ensuing year.

The Department Commander announced that the next in order was nominations for Department Chaplain.

Comrade Cobb, Post 109, placed in nomination Comrade Ferril. Seconded.

Comrade Tracy placed in nomination Comrade W. C. Calland. Seconded.

It was moved that nominations close.

Seconded; carried.

The Department Commander appointed the following as tellers:

N. W. Taylor, Post 131; Geo. O. Cobb, Post 109; A. H. Cashion, Post 273; Charles Beiger, Post 496.

The Department Commander announced the next order of business to be the election of five member of the Council of Administration.

Comrade N. W. Taylor, Post 131, nominated.

Seconded.

Comrade George Weber, Post 13, nominated.

Seconded.

Comrade J. S. Rogers, Post 17, nominated.

Seconded.

Comrade C. N. Clark, Post 43, nominated.

Seconded.

Comrade W. B. Rogers, Post 72, nominated.

Seconded.

Comrade Arnold Beck, Post 1, nominated.

Seconded.

Comrade C. N. Clark, Post 43, requested that his nomination be withdrawn, which was done.

It was moved that nominations close.

Seconded; carried.

The Department Commander appointed the following as tellers:

Frank M. Lewis, Post 370; Benj. J. Harding, Post 12; Dr. H. P. Porter, Post 440; Aug. Bierwirth, Post 173.

Comrade Burton: As there are five nominees, and five to be elected, I move that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of this Department for the five comrades remaining.

Seconded; carried.

Whereupon the Assistant Adjutant General, by directions of the Department Commander, cast the vote of this Encampment for the following named comrades, who were declared duly elected to constitute the Council of Administration for the ensuing year:

N. W. Taylor, Post 131; George Weber, Post 13; J. S. Rogers, Post 17; W. B. Rogers, Post 72; Arnold Beck, Post 1.

The Department Commander: The next in order will be the selection of location for holding our next Department Encampment.

Comrade Knoeffel, Post 43, nominated Hannibal, Mo., and presented the following resolution by the City Council:

RESOLUTIONS BY ALDERMAN SCHMIDT.

RESOLVED, That we extend through the representatives of Wm. T. Sherman Post No. 43, G. A. R., an invitation to the Department Encampment, to be held in Macon, Mo., on the 17th and 18th of April, to hold their Department Encampment in this city for the year 1896.

We extend this invitation for the following reasons: First, because we would be glad to have them come; second, because of the railroad facilities being better than most places; third, because they can find as good accommodations while they remain in the city as can be found anywhere.

On motion of Alderman Elgin, the resolution was adopted.

Approved April 1, 1895.

[SEAL.]

C. ALBERTSON,

Attest:

Mayor.

C. L. NEVIUS, SR., City Clerk.

HANNIBAL, Mo., April 17th, 1895.

To B. Knoeffel, Palace Hotel:

Our city sends special invitation for Grand Army to meet here in 1896.

C. ALBERTSON, Mayor.

Junior Vice Department Commander in the chair.

Comrade Logan, Post 78, placed in nomination Warrensburg, Mo.

Seconded.

Department Commander Louis Grund in the chair.

At this stage of the proceedings the rules were suspended and the following comrades appointed by the Department Commander to receive the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps:

Jno. P. Tracy, Post 69; T. H. Hagerty, Post 131; J. R. Milner, Post 69; Chas. G. Burton, Post 26; Michael Fritz, Post 1.

Committee on Woman's Relief Corps retired and returned and reported the ladies not yet in waiting, whereupon the Department Commander announced return to regular order of business.

Comrade J. A. Harwood, Post 67, placed in nomination Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Seconded.

Comrade Adam Theis, Post 43, addressed the Encampment in behalf of Hannibal.

It was moved that nominations close.

Seconded; carried.

The Department Commander appointed the following comrades as tellers:

Dr. H. P. Porter, Post 440; Benj. J. Harding, Post 12; Aug. Bierwirth, Post 173.

Report of vote for Department Chaplain:

Total number of votes cast 272; necessary to a choice 137; of which Comrade Calland received 145; Comrade Ferrel received 102; Comrade — received 25.

Whereupon Comrade W. C. Calland, Post 69, was declared duly elected as Department Chaplain for the ensuing year.

Recess was here taken till 1:30 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The rules were suspended to receive the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. Rachel Hall, President, read the report.

Louis H. Grund, Commander Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: It affords me great pleasure to submit to you and through you to the Department Encampment, G. A. R., the following report of the condition of and the relief extended by the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department during my administration:

Number of Corps in the Department	78
Total membership	1,901
Cash expended for relief during the year ending Decem- ber 31, 1894	\$1,410 79
Value of relief other than money.....	1,601 33
Turned over to Posts.....	640 72
Total	\$3,652 84

Number of soldiers and members of their families assisted.....	496
Members of W. R. C. assisted	212
Relief given to the Nebraska sufferers.....	\$332 48
Money given to the Baltimore Monument Fund for the	

Unknown Dead	13 50
Cash on hand in General Fund of Corps.....	5,431 75
Cash on hand in Relief Fund of Corps.....	3,480 10
Cash on hand in General Fund of Department.....	139 49
Cash on hand in Relief Fund of Department.....	26 22

Eight new Corps have been instituted during the year with a membership of _____.

We extend to you our sincere thanks for favors received during the year. Our thanks are also due Adjutants Rodgers and Pachall for courtesies received at their hands.

RACHEL A. HALL,

ANNA G. PELTON,

Department President.

Department Secretary.

Mrs. Dougherty, of Woman's Relief Corps, addressed the Encampment.

The Department Commander called upon the Encampment to rise and receive the report of the Woman's Relief Corps, and that it be spread upon the minutes of the Encampment.

Encampment then returned to the regular order of business.

Report of tellers on location for next annual Encampment:

Whole number of votes cast, 276; necessary to a choice 139. For Warrensburg, 41; for Excelsior Springs, 67; for Hannibal, 168.

Hannibal, Mo., declared to be the location at which the Department Encampment will be held in 1896.

Commander announced the result of the ballot for representatives to the National Encampment to be as follows:

FOR REPRESENTATIVES.

Thos. W. Evans, Post 7.....	239
Jno. P. Tracy, Post 69.....	236
Jno. W. Scott, Post 5.....	233
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FOR ALTERNATES.

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T. D. W. Arnold.....	139
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Thos. B. Rodgers
Capt. Adjt. Genl.

J. E. Lewis	120
Euphrates Boucher	120
A. H. Cashion	116
J. T. Birdseye	116
V. J. Mathews	113
Geo. O Cobb	110
J. R. Hollibaugh	96
Chas. T. Kerls	92
Wm. Roney	91
A. Gorty	89
W. H. Graham	85

The Department Commander: The next order of business will be the report of the Council of Administration.

Same read by the Assistant Adjutant General.

ST. LOUIS, MO., January 5th, 1895.

Committee of the Council of Administration met pursuant to call of the Department Commander, for the purpose of examining the property of the Department, and the accounts of Comrade Thos. B. Rodgers, late Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, Department of Missouri, G. A. R. Respectfully report that we have attended to that duty. That we have examined the cash accounts of that officer, and find them correct; and the cash balance on hand to be \$1,922.67 at close of business, December 31, 1894.

We further find that the property of the Department on hand December 31, 1894, is as follows:

Two desks, one case for blanks, one typewriter, seven chairs, one case for supplies, one letter press, two tables, one chest drawers, one official seal, one book case, three cases of pigeonholes, one cuspidor, one carpet, two rugs, three sets of books, one water cooler, one pair scissors, 512 slide boxes, two letter books, one dating stamp, one die for Department badge, three ink stands, one banner and case, one pair stirrups, one packing trunk, one flag, nine sword belts, one letter scale, twenty-four letter files, seven gavels, one charter (framed), one map of Missouri, eight volumes Adjutant's Reports of Illinois, three volumes Roster Wisconsin Vol., two volumes Journal Department of Missouri, three volumes Journal National Encampment, one History of the G. A. R., one Gazetteer of Missouri, one portrait of General Grant, one portrait of Past Department Commander Phelps, one portrait of Past Department Commander Kimball, one Resolution of Post 43, of Hannibal, one photograph of Col. Meumann, Post 496, one photograph of Commander-in-Chief Palmer and Executive Committee.

We find the following supplies on hand :

Fifty-four member's badges, two buttoniers, 247 rank straps, eight official ribbons, one Rules and Regulations, 241 applications, forty-seven Quartermaster receipt books, six warrant books, thirty-two roll books, five charters, fifty-four discharges, fifty-nine transfers, 107 leaves of absence, sixty-six odes, six rituals, 177 certificates of membership, four blue books, 285 Department badges, forty-eight Department badges (silver tops).

Of the Department property two belts have been lost, and one carpet, one rug and one chair have been worn out.

Of supplies twenty-three rank straps and three electrotypes were lost in moving office, and 185 certificates of membership are rendered useless, having been signed by Department Commander Phelps, and were destroyed at the time the headquarters were moved.

The committee recommend that the Department property worn out, and the supplies lost and destroyed, be charged to profit and loss.

We would further report that we find the books well kept and all the accounts correct.

Signed :

N. W. TAYLOR,
FRANCIS P. BECKER,
ADAM FISCHER,

Committee.

On motion the committee of the Council adjourned.

JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General and Recorder.

MACON, Mo., May 16th, 1895.

The Council of Administration met pursuant to the call of the Department Commander.

The following named members were present :

Louis Grund, Department Commander; Louis Fischer, Senior Vice Department Commander; Charles W. Ruby, Junior Vice Department Commander; I. T. Bronson, Medical Director; Rev. W. C. Calland, Chaplain; Jno. B. Pachall, Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General; Jno. W. Scott, Inspector; E. J. Smith, Judge Advocate; F. P. Becker, Chief Mustering Officer, and Adam Fischer, N. W. Taylor, Jno. P. Tracy, W. H. Skinner, elected members.

The minutes of last meeting read and approved. Minutes of special committee appointed to examine the accounts of Thos. B. Rodgers, late Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General read, and the findings and recommendations therein approved and adopted, as the action of the Council, as the same appears of record on pages 48 and 49 of this record, and on page 195 of the cash book.

The charters of the following Posts were annulled by the Department Commander, by and with the advice of the Council of Administration, viz.:

Posts 300, 309, 415, 451, 483, 508 and 523.

The Department Commander reported his action in securing rooms for Department headquarters in the Louisville Hotel, at Louisville, Ky., during National Encampment. On motion his action was approved.

Upon motion the Assistant Adjutant General was instructed and directed to secure quarters for this Department at future National Encampments, as soon as possible after the time and place shall have been decided upon.

Moved by Comrade Taylor, and duly seconded, that this Council recommend that the Department Encampment meet not earlier than May 20th. Carried.

Upon motion of Comrade Tracy, this Council recommends that the incoming Council of Administration, as soon as practicable, proceed by committee to examine the condition of Department investments at Kansas City and Springfield, and take such action as in their judgment may be necessary, to protect the interests of the Department. Said committee to have full power to act. Carried.

On motion the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to employ C. C. Cowen as stenographer, to report the proceedings of the Encampment.

On motion the Council resolved to recommend the following appropriations, viz.: For the burial of friendless Union soldiers, \$150; for traveling expenses of Department Commander, \$250; being same amount heretofore appropriated for such purposes.

On motion Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to extend the Mesner note one year upon payment of interest.

On motion Council adjourned.

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General and Recorder.

The Department Commander: You have heard the report of the Council of Administration. What is your pleasure?

It was moved that the report be received and the recommendations adopted.

Seconded.

Comrade Wetzler, Post 72, objected to the latter part of May as being too late in the season to hold the Department Encampment, as farmers and merchants could not attend.

Comrade Tracy: I will say that the matter was fully discussed by the members of the Council of Administration before we adopted that recommendation. We took into consideration that the month of April is a month in which the weather is nearly always uncertain. And we took into consideration, in spite of our efforts to hide it, that we are actually getting older each year, and as we grow older it becomes more and more necessary to the preservation of our health and the prolongation of our lives, to guard, as far as possible, against exposure to inclement weather. And we took into consideration all that has been said about the farmers and the merchants. My experience is this, and my observation is this, that the large majority of the comrades of this Department who are living as farmers, do not do very much of the farm work themselves; that their boys do it, or they hire it done; and the date indicated will not interfere with many of them, I am sure; and the same will apply to the merchants.

The motion, that the report be received and the recommendations therein adopted, was put to vote and carried.

Report of the committee on Department Chaplain's report:

Your committee reiterates all that was embraced in its original report, excepting so much of it as pertains to printing, which appears to have been superfluous.

We respectfully recommend that the matter of potter's field interment be referred to the Department Council of Administration, with power to act. And we advise all comrades to carefully read the Department Chaplain's report, as it will appear in the published journal of this Encampment.

At the same time we do not believe that the Grand Army, as a body, is responsible for the desecration of Memorial Day. And we are profoundly surprised to learn that any comrade or Post is ignorant of the fact that a generous Government provides headstones for the unmarked graves of deceased comrades, whenever requisitions are made for the same, and duly forwarded through the proper channels.

Signed:

HORACE P. PORTER,
VALENTINE BARTH,
ALF. BRANT.

Committee.

Moved that the report of the committee on Department Chaplain's report be received and adopted.

Seconded; carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General here read the following report of the Sherman Monument Committee:

To the Fourteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

Your committee, appointed by this Encampment to secure contributions from the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Missouri, for the patriotic purpose of erecting or contributing to the erection of a suitable monument in or near the city of St. Louis, to perpetuate the memory, honor the patriotism, and to remind coming generations of the exalted love of country and distinguished services of our late eminent and gallant comrade, General William T. Sherman, whose mortal remains repose in our sacred keeping in Missouri soil, respectfully report as follows:

That the continuous inactivity of the Citizens' Committee of St. Louis, doubtless owing to the character of the times, of which Citizen's Committee many of the comrades of this Department are members, and to which committee your committee was appointed as auxiliary, and to which committee the special G. A. R. contribution is to be presented, conditionally, has in the opinion of your committee, rendered it inexpedient during the past year, to call upon the Posts of this Department for special contributions to said fund, deeming it wise to await the action of said Citizens' Committee, or at least to defer solicitations to said fund from Posts until a more favorable and prosperous season.

Your committee therefore simply reports progress.

Respectfully submitted:

GEO. W. BAILEY,
JNO. E. PHELPS,
THOS. W. EVANS,
F. M. STERRETT,
WILLIAM WARNER,

Committee.

Past Department Commander Chas. G. Burton offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Be it resolved, That the thanks of this Encampment be tendered to the good citizens of Macon, Mo., and to the comrades of F. A. Jones Post No. 23, for the grand welcome, royal reception and generous treatment extended to the comrades who are present on this occasion, and we assure them that each and every comrade will bear with him the kindest recollections of their welcome and treatment.

That we thank the officials controlling and operating the several railroads in this State for the cheap transportation furnished our comrades to and from this Encampment.

That we also thank the newspapers of this city for their full, complete and generous report of our proceedings.

Be it resolved, That this Encampment be closed with a public installation of its officers elect, as an object lesson in the school of patriotism, loyalty and devotion to country.

Comrade Jno. P. Tracy, Post 69, of Springfield, Mo., asked unanimous consent to present the name of Miss Nellie Eldridge of that city, the daughter, grand-daughter and great-grand-daughter of a veteran, as a young lady deserving the honor, possessed of wonderful elocutionary powers, and commanding a repertoire that enables her to fill a number or a programme, however hastily made up, and always to the satisfaction of the audience, and moved that she be elected Daughter of the Department.

Carried.

There being no other business before the Encampment the newly-elected officers were duly installed by Commander-in-Chief Thos. G. Lawler.

The Department Commander announced his appointment of Comrade Jno. B. Pachall, Post 1, as Assistant Adjutant General and as Assistant Quartermaster General, and he was duly installed.

On motion of Comrade E. J. Smith, Post 53, the Encampment adjourned *sine die*.

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

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On Tuesday, April 16th, the train from Kansas City bearing the Representatives of Posts 3, 4 and 8, enroute to the Fourteenth Annual Encampment, at Macon, was side-tracked at Moberly; also the train from St. Louis, carrying the Department Commander and Staff, escorted by Posts 2, 13, 107, 131, 444 and 496, disembarked its happy throng of passengers, and all accepted the hospitalities of Post 5, under command of R. T. McCaskey, who escorted the visitors to the Opera House, where all were welcomed to a soldier's feast, prepared with a lavish hand, after which there was a rousing camp-fire kindled, which sent up flames and sparks of enthusiasm, as it was stirred by such orators as Post Commander McCaskey, Department Commander Louis Grund, Hon. Webster Davis, of Kansas City, Louis Benecke, of Brunswick, Hon. J. P. Tracy, of Springfield, E. J. Smith, of Sedalia, Senator Williams, of California, Mo., Assistant Adjutant General Jno. B. Pachall, of St. Louis, and others.

The good people of Moberly may well be proud of the grand entertainment given on that occasion. It will be long remembered by those who were so fortunate as to be there. Great credit is due to that prince of good fellows, Comrade Jno. W. Scott, for the conception and plan of the entertainment. He was ably assisted by the patriotic citizens of Moberly. At 5 o'clock, P. M., the train known as the "G. A. R. Special," carried the happy crowd to Macon, where they were hospitably welcomed by those generous people, who seemed happy to be the hosts of such a grand organization.

The afternoon session of the first day was declared an open one and the general public admitted. An address of welcome, on behalf of Post 23, was delivered by its Commander, Comrade Chas. P. Hess, which was responded to on behalf of the Department, by Comrade Louis Grund, Department Commander.

An address of welcome, tendering the freedom of the city of Macon, was delivered by the Hon. Webster Davis, in behalf

of the Mayor and citizens of Macon, which elicited rounds of applause and held the audience spell-bound for an hour as only Mr. Davis can.

The Hon. Jno. J. Ingalls, of Kansas, was observed in the audience and was vociferously called for, responding with one of his characteristic efforts, being both humorous, pathetic and instructive. His description of his sensations during his first engagement was particularly amusing, giving full scope to his humor, sarcasm and invective.

Comrades General Jno. W. Noble, Ex-Secretary of the Interior, and General B. M. Prentiss, of the Department of Kansas, also entertained the audience with patriotic speeches.

An adjournment was then had for the purpose of witnessing and joining in the Grand Parade, which formed south of the Opera House, right resting on Main Street. There were about fifteen hundred comrades in line, under command of Comrade Chas. P. Hess, Grand Marshal, with the Cadets of Macon Military Academy as escort, in which position they received the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Thomas G. Lawler, when the column moved in the following order:

Grand Marshal Chas. P. Hess and Staff.

Commander-in-Chief Thomas G. Lawler and Staff.

Department Commander Louis Grund and Staff.

Cadets Macon Military Academy.

Wednesday evening there was a camp-fire at the Court House, where all seemed to enjoy themselves. At the Opera House an evening's entertainment was provided by the local committee under the direction of Comrade Ashcroft, of Post 131, consisting of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, etc. Prominent among which were the Kansas City Quartette and the "Ransom Howlers," all old soldiers and comrades. The evening's entertainment being so enthusiastically received, was repeated the next evening.

During the closing scenes of the Encampment, the following incident occurred:

As Commander-in-Chief Lawler had finished his address, Past Commander Rassieur, who was in the chair, arose and

said: "Comrades, I may surprise you, as I have been myself, when I tell you that the Chaplain-in-Chief desires to deliver a *lecture* to the Commander-in-Chief, yet it is nevertheless the case, and he has the floor."

The Chaplain-in-Chief then advanced and said: "Commander, by your permission, I would like to address myself to the Commander-in-Chief."

Commander: "You have my permission."

"Commander-in-Chief Lawler, I assure you that your visit to the Department of Missouri has been a source of very great pleasure to the comrades of this Department, which stands among the first Departments in your wide command. Commander-in-Chief, you have no more gifted or loyal Department in your command than this same Department of Missouri. Look into the faces of this body of men; and did you ever see a more intelligent and statesman-like body of men? If you desire to see a rotund form and smiling face, look at our Commander, Louis Grund. If you think of Daniel Webster, you have only to look into the face of Past Commander-in-Chief William Warner. In the person of Past Commander Leo Rassieur, you may find an Alexander Hamilton. If you desire to hear the eloquence of Henry Clay, just listen to Comrade Burton. If you want to see a man matching Salmon P. Chase, there is Comrade Whitehead. If you desire to hear singing akin to the angels, why hear the "Ransom Howlers" to-night. Commander, anything you want in the way of noble manhood or greatness, you can get it right before you in this Encampment. You can govern this nation by these men, Commander, if you should ever become President of these United States of America. But Commander, however much these men have cheered you and shouted at your words of wise advice, they do not wish you to leave our Department with the hollow sound of eloquence in your ears alone. They have therefore made it my pleasant duty to give you a very slight testimonial of their very high regard and esteem in a more tangible way, by presenting to you this cane (which till now he had kept concealed but now exposed), which is made of hickory wood, grown on the battle ground of Wilson's Creek, in the southwest of our own State. This, you will remember, was one of the important battles of our

late war, and had it not been that we lost our brave Gen. Lyon, we would have driven the enemy into the swamps of Arkansas, or would have captured the last one of them, which would have gone far in settling the fate of the Confederacy. This head is of gold, dug from our mountains, and is no purer than the love and affection in which the comrades of Missouri hold you, their Commander-in-Chief. Please accept this cane therefore, Commander, without any intimation that your comrades think you are growing feeble in the least! For, looking at your coal black head, we see that gray hairs have not in a single instance dared to invade that sacred place; but if you should live for a hundred years, it might be that some fugitive wrinkle might straggle around the corner of your eyes. Receive it kindly therefore, Commander-in-Chief, from your comrades of the Department of Missouri, and may you long live to enjoy the liberty for which your comrades fought so bravely on the battle-field of Wilson's Creek."

Blair Post No. 1, as is its custom, threw open its doors at the Palace Hotel to the friends, to the number of about one hundred; prominent among its guests were Commander-in-Chief Thos. G. Lawler, Adjutant General C. C. Jones, Past Department Commanders Grund, Whitehead, Burton, Rassieur, Martin, Department Commander Louis Benecke and Assistant Adjutant General Jno. B. Pachall, and other prominent comrades from all parts of the State. The canteen went round and was followed by short speeches, song and story, bringing out to the fullest extent that comradeship which everywhere characterizes the G. A. R. A fitting finale to one of the grandest Encampments of this Department.

GENERAL ORDERS, 1894-5.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., April 16, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 1. }

I. Having been elected Department Commander of this Department by the Thirteenth Annual Encampment, convened at Lebanon, Mo., April 11th and 12th, 1894, I hereby assume the duties of the office.

I return my sincere thanks to my comrades for this expression of their confidence and esteem, and pledge my best efforts for the advancement of the interests of our order. I ask the hearty co-operation of every comrade in maintaining the high position which our Department occupies in the grand organization to which we are proud to belong.

II. The following named comrades were elected to the offices designated for the ensuing year:

Department Commander, Louis Grund, Post 13, St. Louis.

Senior Vice Department Commander, Louis Fischer, Post 128, Salem.

Junior Vice Department Commander, Charles W. Rubey, Post 48, Lebanon.

Medical Director, Dr. Ira T. Bronson, Post 53, Sedalia.

Chaplain, Rev. W. C. Calland, Post 69, Springfield.

Council of Administration, Adam Fisher, Post 1, St. Louis; N. W. Taylor, Post 131, St. Louis; John P. Tracy, Post 69, Springfield; Henry A. Hammel, Post 1, St. Louis; W. H. Skinner, Post 124, Bethany.

III. The following named comrades were elected as Representatives and Alternates to the Twenty-eighth National Encampment:

REPRESENTATIVES.

A. J. Smith (at large), St. Louis.

Eugene F. Weigel, St. Louis.

E. D. Johnson, Springfield.

T. P. Berry, Sedalia.

Jno. B. Coity, Moberly.

W. H. Lusk, Jefferson City.

C. C. Draper, Lebanon.

W. F. Henry, Kansas City.

W. E. Evans, Carl Junction.

E. D. Canan, Clinton.

C. A. Mosman, St. Joseph.

J. C. Seabourn, South West City.

ALTERNATES.

J. L. Briggs (at large), Joplin.

Henry C. Sankey, Salem.

Geo. A. Purdy, Pierce City.

Jno. F. Cluley, St. Louis.

W. B. Hatchett, Willow Springs.

Wm. L. Heckman, Hermann.

J. A. Kerr, Republic.

S. G. Brock, Macon.

I. M. White, Trenton.

Jacob Hott, Clarksburg.

C. M. Miller, Lamar.

R. C. Packard, Cameron.

John Stupp, St. Louis.	John P. Platt, Kingston.
D. S. Harriman, Kansas City.	C. P. Woodruff, Marionville.
Louis Benecke, Brunswick.	J. R. Hollibaugh, Joplin.
Henry Pins, St. Louis.	W. H. Graham, Middletown.
Chas. Englehart, Kidder.	John Howry, Powersville.
T. B. Tuttle, Carthage.	Thos. Anderson, Conway.
John T. Birdseye, Nevada.	J. M. Hawkins, Brumley.
Euphrates Boucher, Mt. Vernon.	John H. Near, Jasper.

IV. Thos. B. Rodgers, Post 1, St. Louis, has been appointed and installed Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, and all official communications should be addressed to him, Room 24, Laclède Building, Fourth and Olive Streets, St. Louis, Mo., to which place the headquarters office was removed April 1st.

V. The following additional appointments on the staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

Inspector, John W. Scott, Post 5, Moberly.
 Judge Advocate, E. J. Smith, Post 53, Sedalia.
 Chief Mustering Officer, Francis P. Becker, Post 13, St. Louis.

VI. All communications for the Department Commander personally, should be addressed to him, No. 3717 Ohio Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

VII. Post Commanders are requested to recommend to the Department Commander, a suitable comrade of the Post, for appointment as Aide-de-Camp on his staff.

LOUIS GRUND,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., April 20, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 2. }

I. In compliance with the Rules and Regulations and General Orders No. 6, Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, the Posts of the Department will arrange for the proper observance of Memorial Day, on Wednesday, May 30th.

II. Upon this day, the festival of our dead, with its sad memories and tender associations, let us all lay aside the pursuits and cares of daily life, and assist in performing with loving hearts the sacred duties of the day. As the Nation bends over the graves of its heroes, and pays to their memories the tribute of its love, let us not forget that while we strew with flowers the graves of our late comrades, we should dedicate ourselves anew to the unfinished work they have left us to do, and make

the solemn and impressive exercises of the day, an object lesson of patriotism for the youth of our land.

As we stand at the graves of many of our comrades who marched in our ranks one year ago, we are reminded that our ranks are rapidly thinning. With us, their survivors, remains the duty of keeping fresh and green their memories, not only as a tribute of affection, but as an inspiration to future generations to emulate their sublime devotion to our country and its flag.

III. In accordance with the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief, in General Orders No. 6, the Posts should invite all the people, especially the Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans, Daughters of Veterans and children of the public schools, to unite with them in the services of the day. And it is also recommended that when practicable the Posts should arrange to attend some form of divine service on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day.

By Command of LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
ST. LOUIS, MO., May 25, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 3. }

I. The following appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

Jacob M. Gruen, Post 2, Senior Aide-de-Camp.

Stephen Dellacella, Post 1, Aide-de-Camp and Department Color Bearer.

R. R. King, Post 33, Aide-de-Camp and Department Bugler.

II. The following named comrades, on the recommendations of the Post Commanders, are hereby appointed Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Arnold Beck, Post 1, St. Louis.

George Heintz, Post 2, St. Louis.

Sidney R. Wolcott, Post 3, Kansas City.

Jno. P. Conner, Post 4, Kansas City.

Alex. McCandless, Post 5, Moberly.

John M. Armstrong, Post 7, St. Joseph.

Chas. F. Knoll, Post 13, St. Louis.

H. A. Butler, Post 22, Kirksville.

J. M. Monroe, Post 26, Nevada.

H. B. Seeley, Post 29, Chillicothe.

C. M. Miller, Post 34, Lamar.
 Geo. W. Houston, Post 39, Xenia.
 Wm. Campbell, Post 53, Sedalia.
 Wm. Roney, Post 76, Kidder.
 C. E. Elliott, Post 115, Carl Junction.
 Wm. N. Davis, Post 118, Mt. Vernon.
 Chas. W. Barstow, Post 131, St. Louis.
 J. E. Downs, Post 142, Medoc.
 E. L. Parker, Post 187, Pierce City.
 D. B. Watts, Post 235, Montrose.
 Geo. Beckerman, Post 326, Ste. Genevieve.
 Thos. Dacey, Post 343, St. Louis.
 Francis M. Springer, Post 391, Bowling Green.
 E. K. Williams, Post 405, Pickering.
 Fritz Koch, Post 444, St. Louis.
 A. H. Waite, Post 492, Monett.
 Jere F. Young, Post 496, St. Louis.

Additional appointments will be announced as they may be recommended by the Post Commanders.

Aides-de-Camp will supply themselves with the badge of their rank, which can be obtained from the Assistant Adjutant General. They are appointed for duty and not for ornament. It is expected that they will use their best efforts for the interests of their Posts and the Order generally, in their respective localities. They should aid the Post Officers in every manner possible, and especially in reducing the list of suspended members, and adding to the list of recruits.

III. The charters of the following Posts were annulled by the Department Commander, with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, for failing to make reports:

Burnside Post No. 18, Pleasant Hill.
 T. C. Wright Post No. 52, Callao.
 General Ord Post No. 99, Richwoods.
 Robert L. McCook Post No. 114, Poplar Bluff.
 Rosendale Post No. 167, Rosendale.
 Jordan Wilson Post No. 316, Clarksville.
 Capitol City Post No. 363, Jefferson City.
 Commodore Foote Post No. 448, New Madrid.
 C. S. Conover Post No. 486, Bonne Terre.
 Daniel Dawson Post No. 502, Salisbury.

The late Commanders of these Posts will at once return their charters, books and papers to these headquarters.

IV. The following Posts were suspended by the Department Commander, with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, for failing to make reports:

John Kinnett Post No. 226, Jameson.
 Palmyra Post No. 300, Palmyra.
 J. A. Richards Post No. 309, New Frankfort.
 Capt. Jos. Dunlap Post No. 415, Humphreys.
 Dexter Post No. 451, Dexter.
 Seaman Post No. 467, Harris.
 John Brown Post No. 508, Salisbury.
 Thos. M. Bound Post No. 523, Gorin.

The Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to reinstate the suspended Posts on such terms as he deemed proper.

V. John Kinnett Post No. 226, having complied with the terms proposed, and made its reports, has been reinstated.

VI. Arrangements have been made at Pittsburgh for free quarters, centrally located, for comrades from this Department who will attend the National Encampment in September next. Post Commanders will report to the Assistant Adjutant General, at as early a day as possible, the number of comrades for whom quarters will be desired, so that proper assignments may be made.

VII. Blanks for reports by Post Chaplains of the services on Memorial Day have been furnished from National Headquarters, and two copies are enclosed herewith to the Commander of each Post, who will see that they are properly filled up and one forwarded to the Department Chaplain, Rev. W. C. Calland, Springfield, Mo., as soon as possible after Memorial Day. An addressed envelope is also enclosed.

VIII. Blanks in duplicate for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports for the first term of 1894, being the six months ending June 30th, are herewith enclosed, with addressed envelope. The time between this date and the meeting of the National Encampment is so short that there should be no delay in sending in these reports. Let the Commander, Adjutant and Quartermaster, when they are together at the last meeting in June, prepare the reports and forward them with the *per capita* tax of ten cents for each member, in one envelope. Reports should not be kept back until the end of the month, but should be sent immediately after the last meeting in June. A blank for report of the Post Surgeon is also enclosed with an addressed envelope to the Medical Director, to whom it should be sent. This report should be made by the Adjutant in case the Post Surgeon fails to attend to it.

IX. The following list of officers and committees of the Missouri Woman's Relief Corps Soldier's Home Association, is published for the information of comrades:

President, Hollen E. Day, St. Louis; Vice-President, Olive Hotmaster, Kansas City; Treasurer, Agnes R. Russell, St. Joseph; Secretary, Belle M. Seaman, St. Louis.

Directors: Chairman, Mary A. Flammger, St. Louis; Emily S. Parker, St. Louis; Francis P. Becker, St. Louis; Mary J. Lytle, Kansas City; Sarah J. Martin, Brookfield; James R. Milner, Springfield.

Committees:—Executive: W. H. Lusk, Jefferson City; Eugene F. Weigel, St. Louis; W. G. Hills, St. Louis.

Investment: George W. Martin, Brookfield; Charles G. Burton, Nevada; George Hall, Trenton.

Auditing: A. O. Engelman, St. Louis; Henrietta Stiesmeier, St. Louis; Mary H. Shepherd, Brookfield.

The Department Commander most heartily commends this worthy object to the support of the Posts and comrades of the Department. Membership in the Association may be obtained on payment of an initiation fee of one dollar, which entitles the member to participate in its next annual meeting. Comrades desiring to become members should send this amount to Mrs. Agnes R. Russell, Treasurer, No. 624 South Thirteenth Street, St. Joseph, Mo.

X. The attention of comrades is called to a bill now pending in Congress "to insure preference in appointment, employment and retention in the public service of the United States to veterans of the late war." It was introduced by Comrade Amos J. Cummings, of New York, a member of our National Committee on legislation, and is known as "H. R. No. 80." It is earnestly urged that by letter and otherwise, our Senators and Representatives in Congress may be advised of the wishes of our organization on this subject.

XI. It is with deep sorrow and regret that the Department Commander announces the death of one of the representatives elect to the Twenty-eighth National Encampment, Comrade J. C. Seabourn, of Post 392, South West City, who died on the 14th of May, 1894, from a wound received at the hands of a gang of bank robbers, at South West City, Mo., a few days previous. Comrade Seabourn was a frequent attendant at Department and National Encampments, and had a large number of warm friends in the Department, who will learn with sorrow of his untimely death. He was a representative to the Twenty-fourth National Encampment at Boston in 1890. He served during the rebellion for two years as corporal and color bearer in Battery K, 2d Mo. Light Artillery, having enlisted in 1863, when but sixteen years of age. He was prominent and active in public affairs in his section and but lately served a term in the State Senate. He was a good citizen, a true comrade and a loyal upholder of the flag.

By command of LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., July 20, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 NO. 4. }

I. The following additional appointments as Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

John T. Clark, Post 6, Jefferson City.
 J. R. B. Roe, Post 14, Joplin.
 Henry Englehart, Post 19, Laclede.
 Jeff. Van Note, Post 32, Hamilton.
 J. D. Ross, Post 33, Kingston.
 W. B. Rogers, Post 72, Trenton.
 G. Fred. Savage, Post 78, Warrensburg.
 Herman Schneider, Post 107, St. Louis.
 L. T. Harrison, Post 161, Buffalo.
 Albert Falcon, Post 172, Appleton City.
 David J. Doughty, Post 215, Farmington.
 A. W. Grammer, Post 219, Republic.
 Jacob Freyer, Post 229, Laddonia.
 W. B. Hatchett, Post 243, Willow Springs.
 E. C. Miles, Post 247, West Plains.
 Aug. Altheide, Post 296, New Haven.
 R. J. McCorkle, Post 297, St. James.
 Peter Kuehner, Post 301, St. Louis.
 Michael Cook, Post 358, Sweet Springs.
 J. H. Reading, Post 384, Lowry City.
 Thos. A. Smedly, Post 387, Marceline.
 Fritz Koch, Post 444, St. Louis.
 James A. Elliott, Post 514, Rayville.

II. The attention of comrades is called to the short time that will elapse before the meeting of the Twenty-eighth National Encampment at Pittsburgh, Pa., on Wednesday, September 12. The parade will take place on Tuesday, September 11.

The Department Commander hopes that there will be a sufficient number of comrades attend from this Department to maintain its prestige and good name established at former Encampments. Post Commanders should report at once to the Assistant Adjutant General the number of those desiring free quarters, as this must be known before August 15. Mattresses will be furnished, but comrades must provide their own blankets. Comrades desiring to engage lodgings should apply to W. O. Russell, Chairman Committee on Accommodations, Room 713, Times Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The railroad rate from St. Louis and return will be \$12.50, which is about one cent per mile. The rates in Missouri will be one fare for

the round trip added to the rate from St. Louis or other points on the Mississippi River. Full particulars as to other details will be announced in the next General Orders.

III. A large number of Posts have not yet reported for the first term of 1894, ending June 30th. There is no reasonable excuse for this, as the reports can be made out in a very short time, and can reach the Department Headquarters from any place in the State in less than twenty-four hours. It is now time for the consolidated reports to be sent to National Headquarters, and it is hoped that the Commanders of delinquent Posts will send in the reports at once, in accordance with the obligations assumed on their induction to office.

IV. The following list of Soldiers' Reunions to be held in Missouri, is published for the information of comrades. All who can do so should attend these meetings in their respective localities. They serve to keep up the interest and furnish good recruiting grounds for our organization:

At South West City, McDonald County, on September 11th to 14th, inclusive. S. G. Sutter, Secretary.

Bates County Veterans' Association, at Butler, Mo., August 8th to 10th, inclusive. Henry Speer, Captain; Decatur Smith, Adjutant.

Ozark Battalion, at St. James, Mo., on August 15th to 17th, inclusive. Adolph Mueller, Adjutant, St. James, Mo.

The South Missouri and North Arkansas District Encampment, at West Plains, Howell County, on 21st to 25th of August, inclusive. E. C. Miles, West Plains, Mo., Secretary.

Harrison County Reunion, at Ridgeway, Mo., August 15th to 18th, inclusive. L. M. Sellers, Chairman, Ridgeway.

Liberty Post No. 150, Spickardsville, Grundy County, will hold a reunion August 14th to 17th, inclusive. Tents, fuel and water free.

Annual Reunion, Department of the Pomme de Terre, at Buffalo, Dallas County, Mo., on 20th, 21st and 22d of August.

Grand Reunion and Picnic, given by Jas. N. Whitehead Post No. 171, at Victoria, Jefferson County, on August 16th to 18th, inclusive. Reunion on 16th and 17th, and picnic on Saturday, the 18th.

Caldwell County Battalion, at Braymer, August 14th to 17th. Albert Gorty, Adjutant.

Osage and Gasconade Battalion, at Tuscumbia, August 22d to 25th. J. C. Morrison, Colonel Commanding, Eldon, Mo.

V. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the Post Court-Martial for the trial of Wm. Marshall, of Post 243, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., have been approved by the Department Commander, and the said Wm. Marshall is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

VI. The following Posts have changed their location, with the approval of the Department Commander:

L. J. Roach Post No. 342, from Auglaize, Camden County, to Stoutland, same county.

Splitlog Post No. 359, from Splitlog, McDonald County, to Anderson, same county.

John C. Fremont Post No. 482, from Norris, Henry County, to Blairstown, same county.

VII. Seaman Post No. 467, Harris, Mo., heretofore suspended for failing to make reports, having made its reports and paid its arrearages, has been reinstated.

VIII. General Orders Nos. 7 and 8 and Circulars Nos. 4 and 5, National Headquarters, are transmitted herewith.

The Proceedings of the Thirteenth Annual Department Encampment and Department Roster for 1894 are also enclosed. They are sent to the Post Commander, but are for the use of the Posts.

IX. The Commander of Thos. Brennan Post No. 390, Department of Kansas, located at the National Military Home at Leavenworth, reports that one Clarence W. Bridges, a member of that Post, has proven himself unworthy of confidence, and is traveling in Missouri, soliciting relief and imposing upon the charity of the comrades.

X. J. T. McLaughlin, Room 9, No. 830 Kansas Avenue, North Topeka, Kas., desires the address of Hugh Allison or any other member of Co. K, 115th Regt. Ills. Inf. Vols.

By command of LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., August 25, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
NO. 5. }

I. The Twenty-eighth National Encampment will meet at Pittsburgh, Pa., on Wednesday, September 12th. The parade will take place on Tuesday, September 11th.

II. The Department Commander and the Assistant Adjutant General, with most of the Missouri delegation, will have rooms at the Hotel Boyer, corner of Seventh Street and Duquesne Way. The business headquarters of the Department will be at the room of the Washington Light Infantry, in the 14th Regiment Armory Building, Diamond Square, Market Street, Pittsburgh, where all Missouri comrades will call and register upon their arrival.

III. On Tuesday, September 11th, the Department Officers, Aides-de-Camp and Representatives to the Encampment will report for parade, in uniform, at above headquarters at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Missouri Posts and comrades will report and form for parade at the point designated for our Department, at an hour to be named hereafter. The parade will be formed in that part of the city near where our Posts are quartered; the route is not more than two miles in length, and it is hoped and expected that every Missouri comrade present, who is physically able, will join in the parade, and assist in making a creditable showing for the Department.

The Posts will be formed in column of platoons of eight, in single rank at half distance.

IV. The Department Commander and his staff will accompany Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, and Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, of St. Louis, on a special train from St. Louis to Pittsburgh, via the "Big Four" route. The train will leave the new Union Station, St. Louis, on Sunday morning, September 9th, at 8:55 o'clock, and will arrive at Pittsburgh on Monday morning. The route will be from St. Louis, via the C., C., C. and St. L. to Galion, Ohio; thence via N. Y., L. E. and W. to Youngstown, Ohio; thence via P. and L. E. to Pittsburgh. The train will run through without change of cars. Passengers can return by same route, or through Cleveland, via P. and L. E. Railway and "Big Four" to St. Louis, on making such desire known when ticket is purchased.

The Department Commander will be pleased to have as many comrades as possible accompany him on this headquarters train. Comrades outside of St. Louis desiring sleeping car berths, can secure them by writing at once to the Assistant Adjutant General. The price for double berth, accommodating two people, is \$3.50. Comrades desiring to take this train should see that their tickets read via the roads above mentioned. If unable to procure tickets via St. Louis, comrades should notify the Assistant Adjutant General.

V. The railroad rate from St. Louis to Pittsburgh and return, via all routes, will be \$12.50, and from Hannibal, Quincy and Louisiana, \$13.70. The rates from points in Missouri will be one fare for the round trip added to the above rates from St. Louis and other points on the Mississippi River. Tickets will be sold September 8th and 9th, and will be good to return until September 25th, but by action of the Western Passenger Association will only be honored on return from St. Louis and other Mississippi River points on three specified dates: September 14th, 18th and 25th. There are so many exceptions to this on the various roads from competing points, that it would be well for the comrades to make inquiry of their local station agents in regard to this, as well as other matters, as there may be other changes.

VI. The following additional appointments of Aides-de-Camp are hereby announced, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Anthony Roeslein, Post 1, St. Louis.
 Chris. Fricke, Post 1, St. Louis.
 C. D. Bush, Post 1, St. Louis.
 Peter Bobe, Post 13, St. Louis.
 Jacob Kaemmerer, Post 13, St. Louis.
 Horace P. Porter, Post 58, Butler.
 J. M. Kerr, Post 261, Elkton.

VII. The Third Congressional District Re-union Association will hold its Annual Re-union at Cameron, Mo., on October 9th to 12th, inclusive. J. S. Rogers, President, Cameron.

VIII. An imposter, giving name of James Blake, Co. G, 5th Ohio Inf., has been victimizing Posts in southwest Missouri. He falsely claims to be a member of Ellsworth Post No. 22, of Ellsworth, Kansas, and has National countersign.

James Johnson, claiming to have served in Co. H, 79th Indiana Inf., and to be a member of Custer Post No. 7, of St. Joseph, Mo., has been asking aid from Posts in northwest Missouri. He was never a member of Custer Post, and is a fraud.

IX. Comrades attending the National Encampment should procure the Missouri Department Badge, which is furnished by the Assistant Adjutant General for sixty cents for the bronze, and \$1.00 with silver top.

X. C. M. Jenney, Brockton, Mass., desires information as to death of John Gallagher, Co. C., 2d Mass. Heavy Art. Went to Missouri in June, 1866, and is reported to have died down the river in 1867.

By command of LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., October 24, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 NO. 6. }

I. The Department Commander returns sincere thanks to the comrades who attended the National Encampment at Pittsburgh last month, and particularly to the Posts of St. Louis, which attended in a body and contributed so much to sustain the good name of our Department. There were more than four hundred in line on the parade in uniform, and their fine appearance, good marching and soldierly bearing was noted and commended on all sides, and received great applause along the line of march.

The patriotic people of Pittsburgh have made a record for themselves only second to what they achieved during the war, when their hospitality to the thousands of Union soldiers, who passed through her borders, was known far and wide.

The Department was represented at the meeting of the Encampment by its full number of representatives and alternates.

II. F. M. Sterrett, of St. Louis, was re-elected member of the National Council of Administration.

Louisville, Kentucky, was chosen for the meeting of the next National Encampment, which will be the first one held south of the Ohio River. Its nearness to Missouri should ensure a large attendance from our Department.

III. General Orders Nos. 9 and 10, National Headquarters, received too late for transmittal before the meeting of the National Encampment, are enclosed herewith to complete the files of the Posts. Also General Orders No. 11; Nos. 1 and 2, new series; and Circular Letters Nos. 1 and 2, National Headquarters, are transmitted herewith.

IV. An annual inspection of Posts is required to be made before December 20th of each year. The Department Inspector will therefore cause the Posts to be properly inspected before that date. It is recommended that this should be done at the first regular meeting in December, when practicable; otherwise at the next regular meeting thereafter. If for any reason inspection has not been made in the month of December, then the inspection to be made by the installing officer at the meeting when the officers are installed, and before installation. Under the resolution of the National Encampment, officers cannot be installed until the Post has been inspected. The Senior Past Post Commander present of each Post will act as Assistant Inspector for the inspection of the Post. If none should be present, the Post Commander will detail a suitable comrade to make the inspection. Blanks for inspection will be sent to the Commander of each Post, who will turn them over to the Assistant Inspector at the proper time. The "form of inspection" as laid down in the Service Book of 1893, will be strictly adhered to.

The Department Commander would especially emphasize the importance of a general and thorough inspection, and expects to have a report from every Post.

The Department Inspector is John W. Scott, of Moberly, Mo., who will issue his instructions in due time, and to whom reports are to be sent.

V. The Department Commander deems it his duty at this time, in view of the large number of suspended comrades, to call the attention of the officers and comrades of the Posts to the importance of making earnest and systematic efforts to reduce the number as much as possible before the end of the year. Under our rules, no comrade can be *dropped*

unless he has *been previously suspended*, and dropped members can be re-instated on payment of *not exceeding* one year's dues. Many Posts have been carrying on the suspended list for years, a large number of comrades who have removed and whose whereabouts are unknown; these should be dropped from the roll.

VI. Tecumseh Post No. 587, has changed its location, with the approval of the Department Commander, from Blackwater, Cooper County, Mo., to Ridge Prairie, Saline County, Mo.

VII. Receipt books for subscriptions to the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home of Missouri have been sent by the President to a large number of Post Commanders, who are requested to place them in the hands of the Post Quartermaster or other suitable comrade. Each Commander is also requested to acknowledge receipt of the receipt book to Mrs. Hollen E. Day, President, No. 3001 Rappahannock Street, St. Louis, Mo.

VIII. John Moloney, Loughton, Kans., desires the address of Pat. Duffy or Michael Carroll, of Co. M, 1st Mo. Cav., or any other of that company who knew him in service.

Charles A. Dixon, Rogers, Ark., who served in Co. C, 4th M. S. M. Cav., and also in Co. K, 13th Mo. Cav., wants the address of any one of those companies who knew him in the service.

IX. The comrades are warned against O. M. Whitney and Ralph O. Bates, who are supposed to be traveling through North Missouri and Southern Iowa, lecturing on "From Andersonville to the White House." They are reported to be unworthy of confidence.

X. Blanks for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports for the second term of 1894, will be sent with next General Orders.

By command of LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., November 23, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 7. }

I. A blank of Form H, for the inspection of Posts, with circular of Department Inspector and printed "Form of Inspection," is enclosed with this order to the Commander of each Post. An addressed envelope for sending the report to the Department Inspector is also enclosed.

As heretofore announced in General Orders No. 6, to which attention is invited, the inspection will be made by the Senior Past Post Commander present of each Post. Should no Past Post Commander be present at the meeting when inspection is to take place, the Post Commander will detail a suitable comrade to make the inspection.

II. The annual election of officers of each Post will be held at the first regular meeting in December.

At the same meeting Representatives to the Department Encampment will be elected. Each Post is entitled to one representative and one alternate for every fifty members in good standing, and one additional representative and alternate for a final fraction of more than half that number. Posts having less than fifty members are entitled to one representative and one alternate. Post Commanders and Past Post Commanders, being *ex-officio* members of the Encampment, should not be elected as representatives.

The basis of representation is the number of members in good standing as shown by the Adjutant's report for the term ending June 30th, 1894. Posts in arrears for dues or reports are not entitled to representation in the Department Encampment.

III. Wednesday and Thursday, April 17th and 18th, 1895, are the dates selected by the Council of Administration for the meeting of the Fourteenth Annual Encampment, at Macon, Mo.

IV. Post Commanders will immediately after the election report to the Assistant Adjutant General the names of the representatives and alternates elect, with the names of all Past Post Commanders in good standing, on blanks which are herewith enclosed. They will see that the names are plainly and correctly written, and will keep a duplicate report to be presented to the committee on credentials at the Department Encampment.

V. The newly elected officers will be installed at the first regular meeting in January, 1895, by the Senior Past Post Commander present. If no Past Post Commander is present, then any member of the Department Staff is authorized to act, provided no comrade has been specially detailed for that purpose. Installing officers, before proceeding with the installation will ascertain if all reports and dues have been forwarded to Department Headquarters; and where this has not been done, they will not proceed until the reports and dues are placed in their hands for that purpose. When a Post has not been inspected, they will proceed to make the inspection before the officers are installed. They will also see that the Quartermaster has filed a satisfactory bond before he is installed.

VI. Duplicate blanks of Forms A and B for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports for the second term of 1894, being the six months ending December 31st, are herewith enclosed. They should be made out at the last meeting in December and forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General in *one envelope* with the *per capita* tax of ten cents for each member in good standing, as shown by the Adjutant's report. Reports should be sent in immediately after the last meeting in December, and not be held until the last of the month.

A Post Surgeon's blank is herewith enclosed which should be made out and sent to the Medical Director of the Department in the addressed envelope which is herewith enclosed.

The representation of the Department in the next National Encampment is based on the number of members in good standing as reported for this term, and it is hoped that especial efforts will be made to increase our membership by all the means in our power before the end of the year. This can be done largely by the re-instatement of many suspended and dropped members, the list of which is very large. Let each officer and comrade direct his efforts towards this object and the result will be a gratifying increase in our membership and a corresponding decrease in our suspended list.

VII. The following amendment to Chapter 3, Article 4, Section 4, of the Rules and Regulations, was adopted by the last National Encampment:

"A comrade may be re-instated in the Post from which he was dropped by making a written statement to that effect, and on receiving a majority vote of those present at any regular meeting, upon payment of one year's dues."

VIII. The following statement as to "suspended" and "dropped" members and the proper method of re-instating them is republished for the information of all concerned:

A comrade can only be suspended *by a vote of the Post*, after he is six months in arrears, and two months after having been notified of his arrearages in writing, by the Post Quartermaster. He is restored to membership in good standing by simply paying his dues.

After a suspended member is one year in arrears for dues, and has been notified thereof, in writing, by the Post Quartermaster, unless payment is made within two months thereafter, he may be dropped by a vote of the Post. He cannot be dropped unless he has been previously suspended, and so reported on Adjutant's report.

It is discretionary for the Post to drop him or carry him as a suspended member.

A "dropped" member when re-instated need not be mustered nor re-obligated, but must sign the Rules and Regulations and By-Laws of the Post.

A "dropped" member can be re-instated either by the Post which dropped him, or by *any other* Post. When re-instated by any other Post, he shall pay an amount not exceeding one year's dues of his former Post, which shall be collected and forwarded by the Post re-instating him. In such case, he shall also pay such additional fee as may be agreed upon, not exceeding the amount charged for joining by transfer.

In case the Post which dropped the comrade is disbanded, the arrearages due the disbanded Post shall be retained by the Post electing him.

IX. The National countersign for 1895 will be sent to each Post Commander on receipt of the reports and dues for the second term of 1894.

X. General Orders No. 3, National Headquarters, are enclosed herewith.

XI. Correction is hereby made of the name of the Aide-de-Camp and Department Bugler, erroneously published in General Orders No. 3, as R. R. King, Post 33. It should be R. R. Miller, Post 33.

XII. E. J. Reed, Latrobe, Pa., wants the address of any one who knew Alex. Fleming, Co. E, 1st Mo. Art.

D. P. Brooks, Beaver, Pa., wants information of Geo. N. Brooks, who died in 1866, at Linneus, Mo.

By command of LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., December 24, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 8. }

I. Comrade Thomas B. Rodgers having been elected Clerk of the Circuit Court of the City of St. Louis, has resigned the office of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, the same to take effect on January 1, 1895.

To fill the vacancy thus occasioned, the Department Commander has appointed Comrade John B. Pachall, of Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, St. Louis, Mo., as Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, the same to take effect on January 1, 1895, after which date he will be obeyed and respected accordingly, and all official communications will be sent to him, Room 24, Laclede Building, Fourth and Olive Streets, St. Louis, Mo.

II. A blank for report of officers elected and appointed is herewith enclosed, which should be filled out and returned to the Assistant Adjutant General. A blank bond for Quartermaster is also enclosed.

III. Post Commanders and Adjutants will give particular attention to the careful writing and spelling of the names of Officers elect and Representatives to the Department Encampment, in order that errors may be avoided in printing the Roll of the Encampment and Department Roster. When the Post Commander's P. O. address is different from that where the Post is located, it should be so stated.

IV. Post Commanders are urged to be prompt in forwarding the reports for the second term of 1894, ending December 31. All reports should be in the hands of the Assistant Adjutant General not later than

January 10, 1895. Reports of Inspection should be sent to J. W. Scott, Department Inspector, Moberly, Mo. Reports of Post Surgeons to Dr. Ira T. Bronson, Medical Director, Sedalia, Mo.

V. The following Posts are delinquent for the term ending June 30, 1894:

Post 64, Golden City; 68, Green Ridge; 75, Greenfield; 80, Ravanna; 146, Avalon; 194, Stockton; 225, Marshfield; 226, Jameson; 231, Kansas City; 234, Ash Grove; 260, Blanchard; 272, Malden; 275, Gainesville; 280, Modena; 291, Clarksville; 292, Ebenezer; 298, Stewartsville; 308, Stoutsville; 319, Griffin; 323, Galena; 334, Washburn; 346, Ironton; 352, Cabool; 364, New Florence; 365, Appleton; 387, Marceline; 436, Hartville; 439, Advance; 440, Foster; 450, Smithville; 480, Protom; 484, Hendrickson; 509, Brunswick; 511, Louisiana; 513, Glasgow; 520, Exeter; 522, Bowling Green; 534, Ponce de Leon.

These Posts should send reports for both terms of 1894, in order to entitle them to the National Countersign and to representation in the Department Encampment.

VI. The National Countersign, when sent to Post Commanders before the installation of officers, will be turned over by them to the new Commander, who will communicate it to those only who are in good standing. Comrades will not under any circumstances give the Countersign to other comrades.

VII. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the Post Court Martial in the trial of Comrade James P. Smith, Past Post Commander of Post 110, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., have been approved by the Department Commander, and the said James P. Smith is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

VIII. Comrade Jere F. Young, Col. Meumann Post No. 496, having tendered his resignation as Aide-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander, the same has been accepted by the Department Commander.

IX. General Orders No. 4, National Headquarters, are transmitted with this order.

X. J. W. Shanahan, Bourbonnais, Ills., desires information of James M. Shanahan, of Co. K, 25th Mo. Cav. (Merrell's Horse).

Phillip Custner, 1091 Geyer Avenue, St. Louis, desires address of any one who served with Joseph Martin, who enlisted in Co. D, 9th Ills. Inf., three months service, and afterwards enlisted in a Missouri regiment, and died in hospital at Nashville, Tenn.

XI. The Department Commander is informed that but few of the Posts to whom receipt books for subscriptions to the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home were sent, have acknowledged receipt of the same to the President, Mrs. Hollen E. Day, No. 3001 Rappahannock Street,

St. Louis, as requested in General Orders No. 6. This should not have been neglected, and it is hoped that receipts of same will be acknowledged, where not already done.

By command of LOUIS GRUND, Department Commander:

THOS. B. RODGERS,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
ST. LOUIS, MO., February 2, 1895. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 9. }

I. The Executive Committee of the National Council of Administration have named September 11th, 12th and 13th, 1895, for National Encampment, at Louisville, Ky. Grand parade to be on the 11th.

II. Department Encampment to be held April 17th and 18th, at the City of Macon, Mo., and will be subject of future orders.

III. A large number of Posts have not yet reported for the second term of 1894, ending December 31. There is no reasonable excuse for this, as the reports can be made out in a very short time and can reach the Department Headquarters from any place in the State in less than twenty-four hours. It is now time for the consolidated reports to be sent to National Headquarters, and it is hoped that the Commanders of delinquent Posts will send in the reports at once, in accordance with the obligations assumed on their induction to office. If blanks have been mislaid or lost, communicate the fact to the Assistant Adjutant General, and others will be forwarded at once.

IV. Post Commanders should see that Adjutants' Reports, Quartermasters' Reports, Roster of Officers elected for 1895, and list of Delegates and Past Post Commanders entitled to seats in Department Encampment, are forwarded to Assistant Adjutant General. Inspectors' Reports to Jno. W. Scott, Department Inspector, at Moberly, Mo.

V. The new National Countersign has been sent to the Posts who have made all their reports, and should be given only to the comrades who are in good standing. Posts not receiving it will understand that their reports have not reached this office, or if received, are incorrect. Give this matter your prompt attention, and thus place your Post right in the reports.

VI. The attention of Post Commanders in this Department is invited to General Orders No. 6, National Headquarters, and more particularly to paragraph IV, calling for contributions from our comrades to aid in defraying the expense of a proper observance of Memorial

Day in the eighty-one national cemeteries located in the South. All contributions should be sent to C. C. Jones, Adjutant General, at Rockford, Ills.

VII. It is quite evident that a number of the survivors of the Battle of Shiloh desire to visit that historic field on April 6th, the occasion of the dedication of this battle ground as a national park. For the information of all concerned a circular is herewith enclosed.

VIII. The following appeal for aid has been received from the Department of Nebraska. It ought to meet with a prompt response from every comrade of this Department:

The Department Commander suggests that Posts contribute at least a sum equal to five cents per capita, and forward same to the Assistant Adjutant General, to be by him forwarded to Assistant Quartermaster General, Department of Nebraska.

DEAR COMRADE.—In some thirty-five of the western counties of our State there was a total failure of crops the past season. A large proportion of the inhabitants of these counties are old soldiers, living on "homesteads," and many of them having had their pensions "cut-off" or "reduced" the past two years, leaves them almost destitute, and we are doing our best to prevent suffering among them. I think we have covered their wants so far as clothing is concerned, what we stand in need of most at the present time is money, with which to buy fuel and provisions. We have had a mild winter so far, but there are three long months ahead, usually the most severe, over which these comrades and their families must be tided. Up to the present time I have made no appeal to comrades outside the State for assistance. Everything contributed so far, coming from our own Department. Our comrades have done nobly, but they are financially unable to do much more. Any assistance the comrades in your Department see fit to render us will be thankfully received, and every dollar accounted for to your satisfaction. Please act promptly if anything can be done for us in your Department.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

CHURCH HOWE,
Com. G. A. R., Dept. of Neb.

IX. All Posts in this Department having contributed anything to Phil. Kearney Post, of Richmond, Va., are requested to communicate that fact to Col. Jno. C. Linehan, Chairman, at Concord, N. H., stating to whom sent and who received for it.

X. Information wanted by Geo. B. Whitehorne, of St. Paul, Minn., of Geo. W. Wallace, late a member of the 2d Minn. Vol.

By order of LOUIS GRUND,

Commanding Department of Missouri, G. A. R.

Official:

JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
 ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 2, 1895. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 10.

I. The Fourteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri will assemble at the Opera House in the City of Macon, Mo., at ten o'clock A. M., on Wednesday, April 17th, 1895.

II. The Department Council of Administration will meet at the Palace Hotel, on Tuesday, April 16th, at eight o'clock P. M.

III. The Department Headquarters will be established at the Palace Hotel, on Tuesday, April 16th.

IV. The following named comrades are appointed a Committee on Credentials: S. J. Wilson, Chairman, Post 23; L. C. Hesse, Post 18; J. B. Crotty, Post 5; J. V. Martin, Post 57; B. F. Heiney, Post 22.

The Committee will meet at the Palace Hotel, on Tuesday, April 16th, at eight o'clock P. M.

All members of the Encampment will report to this Committee on their arrival and receive their badges.

The Department Register will be kept at the Palace Hotel, in which all visiting comrades are requested to register upon their arrival.

V. Upon the recommendation of the Commander of Post 23, the following named comrades of Post 23 are detailed for duty during the session of the Encampment: For Officer of the Day, Wm. H. Feagans; for Officer of the Guard, P. A. Zimmermann. Comrades J. N. Ketchum and C. W. Haynes are hereby detailed to take charge of the Department Register.

The Commander of Post 23 will detail from the comrades of that Post, a suitable number of sentinels, with proper reliefs, for duty at the Encampment.

VI. The following list of Hotel accommodations and rates is published for the information of those who will attend the Encampment:

Palace Hotel, capacity 150, rate \$2.00 per day.

Tremont Hotel, capacity 75, rate \$2.00 per day.

Merchants Hotel, capacity 50, rate \$1.25 per day.

Accommodations in private houses can be obtained at from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day.

Any comrade desiring to engage quarters in advance, please address Comrade N. S. Richardson, M. D., Chairman Committee on Accommodations.

VII. The comrades at Macon are making ample preparation for the entertainment of their visitors, and will spare no pains to make it pleasant for all who may attend.

**"PROGRAMME FOURTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., AND CON-
VENTION OF AUXILIARY ORDERS, MACON,
MO., APRIL 16th, 17th AND 18th, 1895.**

TUESDAY, APRIL 16TH:

Reception of visitors and assignment to quarters.

8 P. M.—The Woman's Relief Corps will give a reception to the G. A. R. at the Palace Hotel.

8 P. M.—Camp Fire at the Opera House.

8 P. M.—Meeting of the Ex-Prisoners of War at the M. E. Church.

8 P. M.—Meeting of the Council of Administration at the Palace Hotel. Headquarters at the Palace Hotel.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17TH:

10 A. M.—Opening of Encampment at the Opera House.

10 A. M.—Opening of the session of the Woman's Relief Corps at the M. E. Church.

1 P. M.—A public meeting at the Opera House. City authorities will welcome visitors. Short address of welcome by representative of F. A. Jones Post, G. A. R., and responses by Department Commander and prominent guests present.

2:30 P. M.—Parade of Veterans reviewed by Commander-in-Chief, Thos. G. Lawler, and school children.

7 P. M.—A reception to the Commander-in-Chief at the Palace Hotel.

8 P. M.—Camp Fire at the Court House.

8 P. M.—Entertainment at Opera House by Ransom Post Howlers and G. A. R. Quartette Club of Kansas City. A small admission fee will be charged for the benefit of Soldiers' Home of the W. R. C.

THURSDAY, APRIL 18TH:

G. A. R. and W. R. C. in session.

8 P. M.—Grand closing camp fire at Court House and entertainment and camp fire at Opera House. Small admission fee at Opera House for the benefit of Soldiers' Home. Many prominent men will be present. Register of F. A. Jones Post at its headquarters.

Taps."

VIII. The following railroads have made a rate of one fare for the round trip to Macon, Mo.: Wabash Railway, Chicago, Burlington and Quincy System, Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis, Kansas City, Pittsburg and Gulf.

Negotiations are pending with other lines, all of which will undoubtedly grant same rates.

IX. By request, the Department Commander announces that the annual meeting of the Missouri Association of the Union Ex-Prisoners of War, will be held at Macon, Mo., in the M. E. Church, at eight o'clock P. M., April 16th.

X. The attention of the comrades is called to the "Department Roster" being compiled by the "Western Veteran" of Kansas City, Mo., the plans of which were explained in Circular Order No. 12. The publishers advise this office, that a few Posts have failed to send in their roster copy, thus delaying the work. No member of the Grand Army can afford to have his name left off this roster, the time may come when it will be desirable evidence, if not to you, to your children. The expense is small, and the Commander hopes the delinquent Posts will respond promptly.

XI. The following Posts have, through this office, contributed to the relief of our comrades in Nebraska:

Post 440, \$1.30; Post 140, \$3.00; Post 66, \$1.50; Post 385, \$2.10; Post 348, \$5.00; Post 524, \$2.70; Post 92, 1.00; Post 86, \$5.00; Post 236, \$1.80; Post 48, \$6.75; Post 444, \$2.00; Post 173, \$3.85; Post 19, \$2.30; Post 7, \$10.00; Post 223, \$5.00; Post 36, \$5.30; Post 72, \$5.00; Post 53, \$10.00; Post 214, \$5.50; Post 375, \$1.80; Post 73, \$1.10; Post 358, \$1.50; Post 1, \$35.00; Post 218, \$1.00; Post 197, \$2.40; Post 390, \$2.50; Post 131, \$25.00; Post 466, \$2.25; Post 292, \$2.00; Post 122, \$5.00; Post 488, \$1.00; Post 542, \$2.00; Post 13, \$23.65; Post 251, \$3.80; Post 332, \$5.00; Post 54, \$4.00; Post 177, \$2.00; Post 382, \$1.00; Post 421, \$1.15; Post 158, \$2.00; Post 181, \$2.55; Post 128, \$5.00; Post 88, \$1.35; Post 314, \$3.50; Post 233, \$5.00; Post 293, \$10.00; cash, \$1.25. Total, \$232.90.

XII. Such Posts as are in arrears with their reports and per capita tax are reminded that they are not entitled to representation in the Department Encampment, nor to the National Countersign until reports are made and dues paid.

XIII. General Orders Nos. 7, 8 and 9, National Headquarters, are herewith transmitted.

XIV. Upon the recommendations of Commander of Post 158, Comrade Francis Baltzer is appointed Aide-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander.

XV. Information is wanted of Robert Greer, late private and Sergeant of Company G, 9th Ill. Cav., and late member of Post 4, Flagstaff, Ariz., by his brother, A. D. Greer, 2933 Harper Street, St. Louis, Mo.

XVI. The President of the Missouri Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home Association announces a meeting of that body to take place at Macon, Mo., April 18th, to which all members of this Department are cordially invited. Post Commanders are again reminded that the Receipt Books sent out by the President have not, in many cases, been acknowledged as received. All should be accounted for at once.

XVII. The Department and Staff will leave St. Louis at 9 A. M., April 16th, for Macon, Mo., via Wabash Line, stopping at Moberly in order to accept the hospitalities of Post 5, so kindly tendered to the members of this Department and visiting comrades.

By command of LOUIS GRUND,

Commanding Department of Missouri, G. A. R.

Official:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

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MAY 20 AND 21, 1896.

Reported by Comrade C. C. Cowen, Stenographer, Post 1, St. Louis.

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LOUIS BENECKE, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

The Third Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri adopted the following *Order of Business* and the *Rules of Order* for the National Encampment, so far as the same may be applicable to a Department.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening of the Encampment.
2. Calling Roll of Officers.
3. Report of Committee on Credentials.
4. Calling Roll of Members.
5. Reports of Officers.
6. Appointment of Committee on Reports of Officers, and such other Committees as may be necessary.
7. Reception and Reference of Communications.
8. Reports of Committees.
9. Miscellaneous Business.
10. Election of Officers and Delegates to National Encampment.
11. Installation of Officers.

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HANNIBAL, MISSOURI, MAY 20TH AND 21ST, 1896.

FIRST DAY, 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Fifteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, in pursuance of General Orders No. 8, convened at the Opera House, Hannibal, Mo., May 20th, 1896, at 10 o'clock A. M., and was called to order by Department Commander Louis Benecke.

The Encampment was formally opened with prayer by Department Chaplain, Rev. W. C. Calland.

Songs by the Kansas City Quartette—Comrades G. W. Whitehead, W. F. Henry, O. H. Guffen and E. J. McWain: "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty," and "Banner of Beauty."

Address of welcome by Mayor Carter, of Hannibal, Mo.:

"Gentlemen of the Grand Army of the Republic: I come here to-day as a representative of the City of Hannibal to tender to you hearty congratulations upon the occasion of your annual reunion. Nearly thirty-two years since the great war. All its rivalries and jealousies forgotten. Here we recognize the heroism of the living and honor the memory and valor of the dead. Here we cultivate and exchange good cheer and re-kindle patriotic love. Let us enjoy it as becomes the occasion. Our city opens wide her doors to receive and honor you, remembering that when our starry banner of beauty became the battle flag of freedom, when beneath it ranked the American hosts, when under it rang the American shouts, when around it curdled the warm blood of American hearts, you had the honor to be among those who bore our eagles to victory. Again, gentlemen, on behalf of the citizens of Hannibal, I welcome you."

Reply to the Mayor's address of welcome by Department Commander, Comrade Louis Benecke :

Mr. Mayor: In behalf of my comrades and myself I desire to return our heartfelt thanks for the kind welcome to your beautiful city. (Applause.) Some thirty-four or thirty-five years ago a regiment entered your city without any special invitation. (Applause.) It was on the 18th day of June, 1861, when the 16th Illinois Infantry entered Missouri, by way of Hannibal. This regiment came here with the sword in one hand and the olive branch of peace in the other. (Applause.) The sword for the purpose of meeting those who were trying to break down this Government, and the olive branch of peace for them as well as other citizens as soon as they were ready to abide by the authorities constituted by our Government. Now, then, Mr. Mayor, to-day we are here without sword, but we have the olive branch of peace for all citizens; to every one, though he may have been on the opposite side to us during the time that the fierce struggle was going on. (Applause.) We leave the sword behind. We have good will for every citizen; we have the olive branch of peace to extend to all, not only to the old, but also to the young that have come to the front and whom we are glad to welcome. Mr. Mayor, we meet annually, and sometimes more frequently than once a year; but not for the purpose of reviving any ill will that may have existed in the past, but for the purpose of renewing our friendship, our comradeship, that we formed during the time when the battles of our country were being fought. We meet with good will towards not only our comrades, but towards every citizen that is ready to walk under that glorious flag and stand by it. (Applause.) In addition to what we have done in the past, we try by every proper means to inculcate the spirit of patriotism in the rising generation, so that they will rally around the flag whenever it is necessary.

Mr. Mayor, my personal physical condition this morning, I am sorry to say, is such that I do not feel able to extend my remarks. But again, on behalf of both my comrades and myself, for your kind welcome to your beautiful city, I extend my heartfelt thanks. (Applause).

Song by the Kansas City Quartette: "On the Mighty Mississippi" (composed in honor of invitation to come to Hannibal).

Roll of Officers of the Department called. Of the Department Officers, those marked with an asterisk (*) were present.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

*LOUIS BENECKE.

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

*JULIUS L. BRIGGS.

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

*CHAS. P. HESS.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR,

DR. SAMUEL NEEPER.

CHAPLAIN,

*REV. W. C. CALLAND.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL AND ASSISTANT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,

*JNO. B. PACHALL.

INSPECTOR,

*GEO. W. BAILEY.

JUDGE ADVOCATE,

*R. D. CRAMER.

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER,

*F. F. SNOW.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,

*N. W. TAYLOR.

*W. B. ROGERS.

*J. S. ROGERS.

*ARNOLD BECK.

*ERNST KRETSCHMAR.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS,

*WILLIAM A. WARNER.

*HIRAM SMITH, JR.

*W. F. CHAMBERLAIN.

JOHN E. PHELPS.

*NELSON COLE.

LEO RASSIEUR.

†E. E. KIMBALL.

*GEORGE W. MARTIN.

*CHARLES W. WHITEHEAD.

*CHARLES G. BURTON.

*LOUIS GRUND.

†Deceased.

Department Commander:

Your committee on credentials submit the following as a correct roll of Representatives and Past Post Commanders who have reported to this committee, properly accredited and entitled to seats in this Encampment.

J. S. JALLISON, Chairman.
 MARTIN SCHERER.
 W. H. PURSE.
 ALEX. McCANDLESS.
 W. F. HENRY.

Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Arthur Dreifus.
 Past Post Commanders, Thos. B. Rodgers, Nelson Cole, E. F. Weigel, Jas. McClure, Sol. Boehm, T. S. Maxwell, F. M. Sterrett, W. H. Scott, J. B. Pachall, Cord Ringen.
 Representatives, Adam Fischer, Edward Hitchcock, Fred Flammger, Louis Koop, G. W. Carmichael, A. O. Engelman, Ferd. Schueddig, Michael Fritz, B. A. Suppan, Fred Schoening, V. J. Mathews, Fred Wulfing, C. D. Bush, Wm. Paschedag.
 Alternate, Stephen Dellacella.

Gen. Lyon Post No. 2, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Adam Ofenstein.
 Past Post Commanders, Jacob M. Gruen, Henry Evers, Chas. A. Von Borcke, Chas. Neidringhaus, Henry Pins.
 Representatives, John C. Bensiek, Adam Wenzel, Casper Stolle, D. B. Casteel, Adolph Kleintopf.
 Alternate, Henry Frein.

Admiral Farragut Post No. 3, Kansas City.

Past Post Commanders, W. F. Henry, J. T. Dew, O. H. Guffin.
 Representative, E. J. McWain.

McPherson Post No. 4, Kansas City.

Past Post Commanders, F. F. Snow, Jas. B. Davis, Alf. Brant.
 Representatives, Perry Lightle, Geo. J. Behr, J. W. Kidwell, D. V. Kern.

A. Lincoln Post No. 5, Moberly.

Post Commander, Wm. B. Stewart.
 Past Post Commanders, A. B. Thompson, M. A. Hayes, J. B. Cotty, J. W. Scott, Alex. McCandless, August Schueneman, Jacob Herring, W. S. Betts.
 Representatives, Geo. Plowman, August Lash.

Jas. A. Garfield Post No. 6, Jefferson City.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. T. Clark, J. B. Brooks.
 Representatives, C. W. Thomas, T. H. McKenna.

Ouster Post No. 7, St. Joseph.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. W. Evans, L. E. Carter, J. W. Beach,
C. A. Mosman.

Representative, T. J. Ferrill.

Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 8, Kansas City.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Warner, C. W. Whitehead.

Representative, C. N. Brooks.

Col. Hassendenbel Post No. 13, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Louis C. Hesse.

Past Post Commanders, John A. Goeb, Louis Grund, Ernst
Kretschmar, I. G. Hartman, Louis Young, J. G. Zimmerer, Peter Bobe,
Chas. Totsch.

Representatives, Martin Scherer, F. P. Becker, Jos. A. Beck,
Val. Barth, Wm. Hahn, Henry Miller, Henry Lange, P. L. Moeser.

Alternates, H. Angermueller, P. W. Schneider, Stephen Schwartz,
H. Falkenheiner.

Stanton Post No. 16, Carthage.

Post Commander, R. L. Galbreath.

Past Post Commanders, Jas. Spencer, A. W. St. John, J. Miller,
T. B. Tuttle.

Representative, G. C. Howenstein.

Jos. Hooker Post No. 17, Cameron.

Post Commander, W. W. Knoop.

Past Post Commanders, J. S. Rogers, C. N. Burnham.

Major Jas. Wilson Post No. 20, Louisiana.

Past Post Commander, W. H. Purse.

Delegate, H. C. Pray.

Sedgwick Post No. 21, Maryville.

Past Post Commander, H. E. Robinson.

Delegate, Ira K. Alderman.

Corporal Dix Post No. 22, Kirksville.

Past Post Commander, J. Cory Fish.

Representatives, Jacob Sands, H. A. Butler, R. G. Bielby.

F. A. Jones Post No. 23, Macon City.

Past Post Commanders, W. B. Dolsen, C. R. Haverly, C. P. Hess.

Representatives, E. F. McMurphy, C. W. Haynes.

David A. Roberts Post No. 25, Glenwood.

Past Post Commander, H. M. York.

Representative, Melvin Sweet.

Gen. Joe Bailey Post No. 26, Nevada.

Past Post Commander, Jno. T. Birdseye.

Tindall Post No. 29, Chillicothe.

Post Commander, John W. Toppass.

Past Post Commander, Henry J. Pringle.

Representative, James Bench.

S. A. Hurlburt Post No. 32, Kingston.

Representative, Jeff. Van Note.

Ben. Loan Post No. 33, Hamilton.

Past Post Commanders, J. P. Platt, Wm. H. Heiser, R. D. Sackman,
D. P. Stubblefield, D. F. Motley.

McCook Post No. 34, Lamar.

Post Commander, G. R. Ingersoll.

Past Post Commanders, A. Van Meter, F. D. W. Arnold, J. K.
Anderson, C. M. Meller.

Representative, M. J. Barney.

Paddy Shields Post No. 36, Clarence.

Post Commander, Jno. B. Martin.

Past Post Commanders, J. A. Watkins, D. F. Pippinger, H. F. Glahn,
A. Langenbach.

Albert Chandler Post No. 42, Macon City.

Past Post Commander, Robt. Powell.

Representative, William Roberson.

Wm. T. Sherman Post No. 43, Hannibal.

Post Commander, B. Knoepfel.

Past Post Commanders, W. F. Chamberlain, Jno. S. Jellison, John
F. Stewart.

Representatives, Wm. O. Flavell, Adam Theiss, C. L. Nevins.

Gen. Geo. R. Smith Post No. 53, Sedalia.

Post Commander, Jas. Kingsley.

Past Post Commanders, E. J. Smith, Ira T. Bronson, W. B.
Challicombe.

Representatives, Hezekiah Chryst, W. H. Nichols, J. A. Capen,
John Rippey.

Thos. G. Wade Post No. 54, Unionville.

Past Post Commanders, A. J. Bennett, S. B. Davidson.

Representative, Jacob Garver.

O. H. Wood Post No. 57, Brookfield.

Past Post Commanders, Geo. W. Martin, J. M. Sheets, J. V. Martin,
R. W. Davis.

Alternate, Hubbard Hart.

Bates County Post No. 58, Butler.

Past Post Commander, J. Evilsizer.
Representative, T. J. Wright.

Gen. Wordsworth Post No. 60, Dawn.

Post Commander, John Collar.
Past Post Commander, M. V. B. Culver.
Representative, John H. Price.

Winfield Scott Post No. 63, Holden.

Representative, I. Starkey.

Col. Wm. Wilkinson Post No. 65, Mound City.

Representative, Asa Turpin.

Tarkio Post No. 67, Tarkio.

Representative, Duncan Brown.

Gen. E. D. Baker Post No. 68, Green Ridge.

Representative, Geo. McClaughlin.

Capt. Jno. Matthews Post No. 69, Springfield.

Representative, J. W. Eldridge.

B. B. Kink Post No. 70, Canton.

Representative, N. D. Starr.

Jacob Smith Post No. 72, Trenton.

Past Post Commander, Wm. Wetzler.
Representative, A. H. Burkholder.

Greenfield Post No. 75, Greenfield.

Representative, C. Z. Russell.

Jno. A. Dix Post No. 76, Kidder.

Past Post Commanders, E. S. Gurney, A. Sornsberger, Wm. Roney.
Representative, Joseph Myers.

Col. Grover Post No. 78, Warrensburg.

Past Post Commander, Wm. Lowe.
Representatives, Jehu H. Smith, W. L. Hedges.

L. W. Cooper Post No. 81, Lathrop.

Past Post Commander, B. J. Burk.

Lookout Post No. 85, Shelbina.

Post Commander, Fred Gill.
Past Post Commander, Jno. S. Chandler.
Representative, C. E. L. Fenner.

C. G. Harker Post No. 88, Meadville.

Post Commander, Geo. W. Norton.

Past Post Commanders, J. G. Bargar, H. C. Bargar.

Alternate, A. K. Bailey.

Shelbyville Post No. 102, Shelbyville.

Post Commander, Jno. A. Bennett.

Past Post Commanders, J. J. Hiles, O. P. Robison, J. B. Barge.

Alternate, Wm. H. Phipps.

Harry P. Harding Post No. 107, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Chas. T. Kerls.

Past Post Commanders, Cyrus M. Gregg, Wm. Niehaus, Ernst W.

Evert.

Representatives, Jos. Weber, Wm. Drechsler, Wm. R. Oder, George Schubert.

Wm. McKee Post No. 110, Kahoka.

Past Post Commanders, Jos. Vandolah, Jos. Matlick, Joe Morgan, Jas. McCarty.

Representatives, Wm. Martin, David Eakin.

Cameron Garrett Post No. 115, Carl Junction.

Past Post Commander, W. E. Evans.

Jewell Post No. 118, Mount Vernon.

Past Post Commander, E. Boucher.

T. D. Neal Post No. 124, Bethany.

Past Post Commander, W. H. Skinner.

Salem Post No. 128, Salem.

Post Commander, Preston Riley.

Past Post Commanders, Louis Fischer, G. E. Smith.

Fred. Miller Post No. 130, Tina.

Past Post Commanders, W. T. Munson, J. T. Beans.

Representative, M. G. Garner.

Alternate, John Parsley.

Ransom Post No. 131, St. Louis.

Post Commander, George A. Newcomb.

Past Post Commanders, A. J. Child, A. G. Peterson, H. M. Pollard, A. E. Cook, R. R. Scott, Jas. B. Wilde.

Representatives, Wm. G. Hills, Chas. W. Barstow, Adam Roth, D. R. Haynes, Geo. E. Smith, T. H. Hagerty, E. W. Carter, A. J. Bromwell, A. L. Messmore.

Alternate, J. H. Terry.

Gardner Post No. 133, Utica.

Past Post Commanders, J. D. Williams, W. J. McCoy.
Representative, Wm. Dale, Sr.

Gentry Post No. 134, Albany.

Representative, C. B. Henckley.

Gen. John G. Foster Post No. 137, Neosho.

Past Post Commander, H. J. Curtice.

Marionville Post No. 141, Marionville.

Past Post Commanders, S. C. McCullah, A. J. Ragsdale.
Representative, H. J. M. Holt.

Samuel McClure Post No. 145, Eldon.

Past Post Commanders, Richard Boyce, J. W. Temple, I. Boyce,
Geo. R. Weeks.

Avalon Post No. 146, Avalon.

Past Post Commanders, S. H. Skinner, A. W. Kapp, Geo. Beaucamp,
Isaac Leeper, S. A. Grey, Frank Snyder, A. L. Monroe, David Kerr,
I. C. Havens.

Representative, James Fullerton.

J. J. Graveley Post No. 149, Bolivar.

Past Post Commanders, J. D. Abbe, C. L. Allen, A. J. Akard.
Representative, Robt. Mitchell.

Liberty Post No. 150, Spickardsville

Post Commander, H. Montgomery.
Past Post Commanders, E. A. Cook, W. H. Newton.
Representative, G. A. Spickard.

D. N. Keeler Post No. 152, Melrose.

Representative, Wm. Rettker.

Geo. Miller Post No. 158, Bethel.

Past Post Commanders, G. W. Bowers, F. Baltzer.
Representative, C. B. Foreman.

Gen. H. G. Gilbert Post No. 160, Wheeling.

Past Post Commanders, S. W. Haynes, E. D. Carpenter, S. R.
Patterson, B. F. Wolfe.
Representative, S. W. Haynes.

Gen. Frank J. Herron Post No. 161, Buffalo.

Post Commander, E. S. Battin.
Past Post Commanders, Jno. A. Ramsey, Jno. Wilson, John C.
Bennett, Robt. Jack.
Representative, Jacob Drake.
Alternate, Jacob Blazer.

Col. Islam Kieth Post No. 164, Breckenridge.

Past Post Commanders, R. C. Moorehouse, Thomas McPeck,
S. J. Dewey, T. J. Stagner, S. Thomas, E. Shuman.
Representative, Chas. E. Riddell.
Alternate, H. R. Taylor.

Menke Post No. 166, La Grange.

Post Commander, Jno. T. Bowers.
Representative, Truman Bowker.

Jesse N. Moore Post No. 168, Braymer.

Past Post Commanders, A. J. McKnight, S. S. Lindsey.

Gen. J. B. Steadman Post No. 172, Appleton City.

Past Post Commanders, W. D. Clark, Thos. Streiff, W. F. McColly,
Jas. Wyckoff, T. D. Thayer.

Justi Post No. 173, Cape Girardeau.

Post Commander, August Bierwirth.
Representative, Frank Nunerstall.

Major Hiram Gavitt Post 174, Fredericktown.

Post Commander, R. Albert.
Past Post Commander, E. H. Day.
Representative, B. B. Cahoon.

Stephen Estle Post No. 178, De Witt.

Post Commander, Wm. B. Mullins.
Representative, J. M. Null.

Capt. W. G. Murray Post No. 179, Memphis.

Post Commander, J. W. Barnes.
Past Post Commander, R. D. Cramer.
Representative, Chas. R. Combes.

Mansfield Post No. 181, Powersville.

Past Post Commanders, Harvey B. Powers, David W. Pollock,
John Howry, Chriss F. Howard, Henry S. Wells, Joseph Curry.
Representative, Adam Brunner.

Chester Harding Post No. 182, St. Joseph.

Past Post Commanders, Henry Austry, P. V. Wise, Wm. Coy,
Jas. N. Hubbard.
Representative, S. W. Wolfe.

Major Hunt Post No. 185, New London.

Post Commander, W. R. Sanford.
Past Post Commanders, T. G. McCune, W. Y. Jones, F. C. Clayton.
Representative, R. C. Ryan.

W. B. Goodrich Post No. 190, Webb City.

Post Commander, W. H. Haughwaut.

Col. Morsey Post No. 197, Warrenton.

Past Post Commanders, Louis Wilde, W. H. Morse.
Representative, John H. Frick.

Col. Brook Post No. 207, Hannibal.

Post Commander, Henry Washington.

Norcross Post No. 221, Novelty.

Past Post Commanders, Sol. Conder, Lewis Sens, Adam Conder.
Representative, C. W. Corkran.

S. T. Turley Post No. 222, Bancroft.

Past Post Commander, M. G. Netherton.

Union Post No. 229, Laddonia.

Past Post Commander, G. W. Stevens.

Thos. J. Brouster Post No. 233, Clayton.

Past Post Commander, J. C. Brockmeier.
Representative, John Schwenn.

Gen. Fred D. Steele Post No. 235, Montrose.

Alternate, W. E. Bundy.

John A. Hayn Post No. 240, Boonville.

Past Post Commander, Joseph Lieber.
Representative, Nicholas Smith.
Alternate, Horace L. McMillan.

Jack Grant Post No. 245, Knox City.

Past Post Commander, Fred Wolter.

Cuba Post No. 263, Cuba.

Representative, J. D. Morgan.

Pinhart Post No. 268, Brunswick.

Post Commander, Seth Marsh.

Difani Post No. 273, Perryville.

Past Post Commander, J. B. Cashion.
Representatives, John Hooss, Jno. Deitrich.

Henry Brown Post No. 276, Clarksburg.

Past Post Commander, Jno. W. Moore.
Representative, F. Bentrop.
Alternates, A. Dick, J. Rohrbach.

Wakefield Stanley Post No. 282, Carrollton.

Post Commander, John T. Warner.

Past Post Commander, Lewis Blakeley.

Warren Post No. 287, Rockville.

Alternate, Amos Pontius.

Maj. A. Bartlett Post No. 289, Troy.

Past Post Commander, F. M. Howell.

Fred Hecker Post No. 290, Pacific.

Alternate, A. J. Muir.

Robert McElroy Post No. 291, Clarksville.

Post Commander, Fritz Schaefer.

Past Post Commanders, Byron Slemmens, C. Crewell.

Representative, Luke Warsham.

John S. Phelps Post No. 297, St. James.

Post Commander, R. C. Carpenter.

Past Post Commanders, R. D. Barber, Adolph Muller, John Livingston.

Representative, T. W. Getchell.

Chas. Demny Post No. 301, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Bernhard Bick.

Alternate, Ignatz Heck.

John A. Logan Post No. 304, St. Louis.

Past Post Commanders, David Murphy, Geo. D. Reynolds.

Alternate, Geo. A. Schaeper.

John D. Rohye Post No. 314, Cedar Hill.

Representative, John Fox.

Manwaring Post No. 320, Herman.

Representative, Chas. Klick.

Gordon Granger Post No. 329, Clinton.

Past Post Commander, A. Haynie.

Representative, E. D. Canan.

Alternate, J. W. Strong.

James W. Owens Post No. 332, Washington.

Representatives, John W. Shucks, T. Hausgen.

Evans Post No. 340, Economy.

Past Post Commander, Jno. McDaniel.

Representative, Jas. F. Ryther.

Col. Shaw Post No. 343, St. Louis.

Representative, G. W. Edwards.

Alternate, Columbus Hill.

R. L. Ferguson Post No. 358, Sweet Springs.

Representative, Michael Cook.

Sam'l Lewis Post No. 370, Cunningham.

Representative, Marcus L. Murphy.

Harwood Post No. 375, Harwood.

Representative, J. J. Mitchell.

Dawn Post No. 384, Osceola.

Past Post Commander, Jas. H. Reading.

Marceline Post No. 387, Marceline.

Past Post Commander, Jacob Rensimer.

Pike Post No. 391.

Past Post Commanders, G. A. Wetherall, E. J. Preston, F. M. Springer, Wm. Cahill.

Representative, J. T. Hetherlin.

Southwest City Post No. 392, Southwest City.

Representative, J. F. Nichols.

Conway Post No. 407, Conway.

Alternate, Fred Sheibie.

Fred Roether Post No. 420, Montgomery City.

Past Post Commander, G. T. Muns.

Hunnewell Post No. 426, Hunnewell.

Past Post Commanders, Henry Now, G. B. Sherry.

Columbia Post No. 432, Columbia.

Representative, Gabriel Smith.

Gen. Hazen Post No. 440, Foster.

Past Post Commander, Horace P. Porter.

Elwood Miller Post No. 444, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Jos. A. Wherry.

Representative, John M. Wherry.

E. E. Kimball Post No. 453, Middletown.

Alternate, W. H. Graham.

John Whalen Post No. 459, St. Joseph.

Post Commander, Whitfield Gasaway.

Vandalia Post No. 466, Vandalia.

Post Commander, W. O. Barnett.

Representative, Leonhard Long.

Maj. Leonard Post No. 468, Higbee.

Representative, Jno. W. Floyd.

Ethel Post No. 471, Ethel.

Past Post Commander, J. B. Davenport.

Sumner Post No. 477, New Cambria.

Past Post Commander, Alemendin Mendihall.

Dillard Bell Post No. 487, Elmer.

Representative, W. T. Boyd.

W. W. Leggett Post No. 490, Duncan's Bridge.

Post Commander, W. J. Skinner.

Past Post Commander, Benj. Jennings.

Col. Meumann Post No. 496, St. Louis.

Post Commander, C. V. Bisser.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. A. Heineman, Chas. Bieger, Jos. Litteneker, Jer. F. Young.

Representatives, Andrew Uhri, C. A. Rosenberger, Chas. Winter.

J. H. Weirich Post No. 540, Spring Bluff.

Representative, Thos. B. Evans.

Gen. Jerre M. Rusk Post No. 544, St. Charles.

W. M. Woods.

Gatzweiler Post No. 554, St. Charles.

Past Post Commander, Louis H. Breker.

Representative, H. G. C. Dammer.

Alternate, Jos. P. Remer.

It was moved that it be accepted.

Seconded and carried.

The Department Commander: The next order of business is the reports of officers:

Comrade Henry, Post 3: The reports of the officers are all in print and can be read by the members of the Encampment, and I move that the reports of the officers (except the Department Commander's address) be dispensed with, and that we listen to the address of the Department Commander, and the others be taken as read.

Seconded and carried.

Julius L. Briggs, Senior Vice Department Commander, in the chair.

ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, }
BRUNSWICK, MO., APRIL 20, 1896. }

Comrades:

In March, 1895, you chose me as your Department Commander, and now, after the lapse of thirteen months, I gratefully return to your keeping our Department banner, untarnished, and still symbolic of that patriotism and loyalty, which made it possible for us to preserve the precious inheritance established by the founders of our Government.

During my term of office I have had the good fortune of touching elbows with many of my Comrades throughout the State, and thus, by personal observation, found that the old-time love and affection, formed between our Comrades in the hour of danger and tribulation, had not only been maintained, but grown stronger, and is now more intense in consequence of the intentional premeditated insults hurled at us from masked batteries, controlled and manned by Columbia's "persona non grata;" yet I feel convinced that, while our numbers may decrease from year to year, our devotion to our noble cause will not diminish by the assiduous attacks of our enemies, who, like ghouls of the battle-field, not only try to rob the heroes of their laurels, but attempt to bespatter their record as soldiers and citizens with insinuations and inuendoes.

Injuries not necessary to mention have been inflicted upon many of our Comrades; but the enemy is located, his ammunition is spent; a general charge along the line will dislocate him, and his power for evil will soon terminate.

GROWTH AND CONDITION.

While the *esprit de corps* of our Department is in excellent condition, advanced age and hard times have had much to do with reducing our numerical strength.

Notwithstanding this, we have mustered eight new Posts and added many new members to the old Posts during the past year, the total number added during the year being 1,701.

I believe that the policy of establishing Picket Posts, now held under consideration by our National Encampment, when formulated into law will bring back to our ranks many old members who became

suspended, principally on account of their physical inability to attend Post meetings held at great distances from their homes.

From the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, it appears that the total number on rolls December 31, 1895, was 21,281, of which 5,780 were suspended, leaving in good standing 15,501. Proper steps to reinstate these suspended members should be taken at the earliest possible moment.

INSPECTION.

The present mode of inspecting Posts is believed to be effective and economical; this is especially true when the Comrade who holds the important office of Department Inspector makes his duties a matter of love and devotion to our cause, and spares neither time nor labor in the discharge of the duties of his important position.

Comrade John W. Scott combined ability and perseverance with patience and with untiring fidelity, succeeded in advancing the interest of our Department to such an extent that I reluctantly accepted his resignation, after the year's labor had been performed by him, and I take great pleasure in inviting your attention to his able and comprehensive report herewith submitted.

He resigned in order to accept the office of Assistant Inspector General—a well-merited promotion—and Comrade Geo. W. Bailey was appointed to fill the vacancy, whose supplemental report is also herewith submitted.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

A great event of special interest to the Grand Army, and a very effective demonstration of peace and good will to our nation, was the National Encampment held at Louisville, Kentucky.

The spirit in which we were received by the ex-Confederate soldiers was far beyond that of the renowned Kentucky hospitality.

It was an open-hearted welcome on all sides, and demonstrated not only that the war is over, but that the men who fought on opposite sides during the war have learned to respect and love true manhood, and are rejoicing with us that our glorious Union remained intact and that we now have but "one country and one flag."

There may be persons who never will learn the lessons of the late war, but they certainly do not live in Louisville, Kentucky, as a more royal reception and genuine hospitality could not be extended to us in any part of this Union.

The splendid soldier-like appearance of our Department, and the many encomiums bestowed upon us on this occasion, made me feel proud of being a member of the Department of Missouri.

Special mention hereof has already been made in General Order No. 7.

REUNIONS.

Many Comrades informed me that the attendance and enthusiasm at reunions held during the past year was far greater and more pronounced than in any previous year, and my own observation, made at a number of reunions, fully confirmed the assertion.

Our Comrades are more eager to meet each other, once more to march to martial music, when scenes of the past are again brought to their vision, the eyes grow bright and the step elastic as with vigor of youth.

The influence for good, of these reunions, are inestimable, and extend far beyond the members of the Grand Army.

The participation of the Sons of Veterans add new life and justifies us to hope that the seed of patriotism, sown broadcast by the Grand Army, will find rich soil upon which to grow and prosper.

In order to enable the Department Commander, and Comrades generally, to attend as many of these reunions as possible, I recommend that, before determining the time, conference be had with the Assistant Adjutant General, who may keep a record of all contemplated reunions, and suggest such changes as will avoid conflict of dates as far as possible.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

The numerous applications for admission to the contemplated St. James Soldiers' Home, made before said Home could have been established, has demonstrated that our State stands in great need of this benevolent institution, and the delay in establishing it has been a great disappointment to a large number.

I have recently personally inspected the St. James building and ground, and have satisfied myself that with some repair and slight internal changes, the place will make an ideal Soldiers' Home.

The large tract of land and orchard connected therewith, would, by proper cultivation, furnish vegetables and fruit enough to supply the demand of inmates as soon as the Home would be placed in condition for operation.

The location is all that could be desired, so far as hygienic and economical considerations would demand.

While our Department has not interfered with the preliminary work assumed by the Woman's Relief Corps and Soldiers' Home Association in their joint efforts for this noble object, I believe it to be opportune for this Encampment to take some action tending to assist in the early realization of the hopes of the prime movers of this grand enterprise.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

In connection with the Soldiers' Home, the noble work of the Woman's Relief Corps is naturally brought to our minds.

The tender-hearted, watchful care and aid, extended by the Woman's Relief Corps to our Comrades, their widows and orphans, bring forth emotions of gratitude, and should stimulate us to encourage them in their mission of love and charity to the fullest extent of our power.

SONS OF VETERANS.

The Sons of Veterans is another auxiliary patriotic association which deserves special mention.

The principles upon which this order is founded are identical with our own, and the time is drawing near when they must take our place as sentinels to guard the grand achievements of the past.

I fear that proper encouragement has not been generally extended by us to our boys, and to remedy this apparent neglect a more extended visitation and commingling is earnestly recommended.

It was my good fortune to be present at the annual meeting held by them at Cameron last February, and to extend to them the hearty greeting of our Department.

FINANCE.

The financial affairs of this Department will more fully appear from the report of the Quartermaster General.

No changes have occurred during my administration, but I recommend the adoption of the suggestion made by Department Commander Whitehead, contained on page 62 of the printed proceedings of our Encampment, held April 12, 1893.

CHURCH REGULATIONS AND THE G. A. R.

The unpleasantness that frequently arose between Posts and church officials, while attending the funerals of Comrades, will not re-occur in this State.

After submitting the question to the highest ecclesiastical Roman Catholic authorities of this State, a decision favorable to the Grand Army was promulgated, which recognizes our order as a patriotic association, entitled to enter any church or cemetery as a body, while in discharge of our sacred and sad duty in escorting a deceased Comrade to his final resting place.

Missouri is the first State that brought this question to a final and entirely satisfactory solution.

Full particulars were given in my Special Order No. 2.

DISCIPLINE.

It became my unpleasant duty to suspend Post No. 174, of Fred-ericktown. Said Post had issued and circulated a letter advocating the nomination of a Comrade of that Post for a political office.

This letter was issued on February 11, 1896, reached my hands on the 12th of February. The Council of Administration was convened and met on February 21st; the Post was duly cited, and its Commander appeared before the Council. After a careful consideration of the subject, the Council authorized the suspension of the Post.

The plea of ignorance of our law was the only excuse offered, and while I am satisfied that no intentional wrong was contemplated by them, yet our law explicitly prohibits such action.

Our organization should never be degraded by introducing partisan politics into our councils, and I considered this severe punishment necessary for the good of our order.

The papers of the case are herewith submitted for your action.

GENERAL.

For a more detailed statement of the affairs of our Department I respectfully refer you to the various reports of the officers of this Department, which are hereby submitted for your consideration.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, I desire to thank all the officers of this Department for their uniform kind and loyal support and assistance rendered to the Department Commander during the past year.

I also desire to express my gratitude to all Comrades of this Department who by cheerful and prompt action have made the administration of Department Commander a source of much pleasure, and upheld our proud banner at all times and under all circumstances.

I hope that we may be spared for years to come, to cheer up and assist each other in the Post room, at reunions, Department and National Encampments, as well as at our firesides and ordinary walks of life, and that the efforts to perpetuate our Government and sustain its dignity at home and abroad may be crowned with good results long after the last one of us has answered the final roll call.

In F., C. and L.,

LOUIS BENECKE,

Department Commander.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R.,
OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER, }
JOPLIN, Mo., April 18, 1896.

LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander.

Dear Sir and Comrade: Serving under a vigorous and capable Department Commander has made the position of Senior Vice Department Commander ornamental rather than actively useful. I have, however, as in the past, used my best efforts in advancing the interests of the order, and in addition to the duties assigned me have devoted such time as I could spare to visiting Posts, reunions and associations, and in doing what I could to not only strengthen but to create an interest in our order.

As Senior Vice Commander of this Department I publicly rebuked a local athletic association and the officers of an electric railroad for advertising bicycle races and a ball game under the caption of "Decoration Day Races." In doing this I was careful to call attention to the fact that some thirty-five years ago the bravest and best of our young men were called upon to stand between this Government and those who would destroy it; that nearly four hundred thousand had surrendered their lives in testimony of their sincerity and devotion; that we, their surviving comrades, had selected a day wherein we would commemorate their grand deeds and noble deaths—protesting in the name of our order, in the name of justice and right, in the name of our dead comrades, that the day be not devoted to games and festivities under any badge or sign indicating that it had our indorsement.

The very general approval accorded me by our citizens gives me confidence in asserting that we will not soon have occasion for further protests of this character in this vicinity.

As usual, I attended the National Encampment, and as an evidence of the treatment accorded us, I can best illustrate by a circumstance coming under my immediate observation. When we had completed our work and were crowding to our respective trains, one of the overworked employes of the railroad, after answering numerous questions asked by a lady, finally gave her a rather sharp reply. In expressing her regrets at having to trouble him and thanking him for the information given, the lady said: "You have uttered the first unpleasant word I have heard

in Louisville." The experience of this lady was the experience of the great majority, with the exception that very few of us had any exceptions to make.

Before closing I wish to take advantage of the opportunity here offered, and suggest that our Posts use greater efforts to keep uniformed. When called upon to bury a dead comrade, on Memorial Day and Memorial Sabbath, and in the Post room, Comrades should try and appear in the G. A. R. uniform. The Comrades of St. Louis have given the Department of Missouri a reputation second to none in the G. A. R., and it is owing not only to their soldierly bearing, but the fact that they are well uniformed, and take a proper pride in keeping uniformed. If it is possible for St. Louis, it is certainly possible for many interior Posts, and while we may not equal the St. Louis boys in appearance, we may at least improve our existing conditions.

In concluding, I desire to express my thanks to the Comrades of this Department for the honor they conferred upon me, and to say that it will always remain a pleasant memory, and that I shall certainly feel no little pride in being able to say that I was once the Senior Vice Commander of the Department of Missouri.

Fraternally,

J. L. BRIGGS.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL AND ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
St. Louis, Mo., April 20, 1896. }

LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander.

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit my report of the business of this office, and of the condition of the Department for the year ending December 31, 1895.

The total number of Posts December 31, 1894, was 440, of which there were seven Posts remaining suspended, viz: Posts 300, 309, 415, 451, 483, 508 and 523.

The charters of seven Posts, viz: 300, 309, 415, 451, 483, 508 and 523 were annulled by the Department Commander, by and with the advice of the Council of Administration, at the meeting of the last Department Encampment.

Eight Posts have surrendered their charters during the year, viz: Posts 186, 307, 308, 310, 395, 413, 541 and 547.

There have been seven Posts mustered during the year, viz: 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554 and 555, being a net loss of eight Posts, making the total number of Posts December 31, 1895, 425. Two Posts have been mustered since January 1, 1896, making nine Posts mustered since last Department Encampment. A more particular statement of Posts mustered will be found in report of Chief Mustering Officer.

The following is an abstract of the consolidated reports made to National Headquarters for the year 1895:

FIRST TERM, SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 1895.

Number in good standing December 31, 1894	316	17,126
Gain by muster	316	
" transfer	171	
" reinstatement	327	
" delinquent reports	32	846
Total	846	17,972
Loss by death	158	
" honorable discharge	33	
" transfer	127	
" suspension	882	
" dishonorable discharge	2	
" delinquent reports	368	1,570
Number in good standing June 30, 1895		16,402

SECOND TERM, SIX MONTHS ENDING DEC. 31, 1895.

Gain by muster	439	
“ transfer	152	
“ reinstatement	242	
“ delinquent reports	22	855
Total		17,257
Loss by death	144	
“ honorable discharge	35	
“ transfer	202	
“ suspension	1,201	
“ dishonorable discharge	4	
“ delinquent reports	170	1,756
Total		15,501

RECAPITULATION.

Number in good standing December 31, 1894		17,126
Gain during the year by muster	755	
“ “ transfer	323	
“ “ reinstatement	569	
“ “ delinquent reports	54	1,701
Total		18,827
Loss during the year by death	302	
“ “ honorable discharge	68	
“ “ transfer	329	
“ “ suspension	2,083	
“ “ dishonorable discharge	6	
“ “ delinquent reports	538	3,326
Number in good standing December 31, 1895		15,501
Number remaining suspended December 31, 1895		5,780
Total number on rolls December 31, 1895		21,281
Number of Comrades dropped during the year		1,579
Number of Comrades relieved during the year		275
Number of others relieved during the year		185
Amount expended for relief during the year	\$ 2,988	59
Amount of Post funds and property	74,636	00
Amount of Post relief fund	10,491	54
Gain in amount of Post funds	2,473	91
Gain in amount of relief fund	29	54

As will be seen from the foregoing statement, our total gains were 1,701; the total losses were 3,326, leaving a net loss of 1,625.

You will observe from the foregoing statement that our net loss for the year is 1,625; there has been a gain of 439 by muster in, but death has mustered out 302, being about two per cent of the membership

in good standing—not large, considering the average age, which is nearly 58 years.

It behooves this Department to exercise the most rigid economy in the management of its affairs. The falling off in receipts, from interest and from per capita tax, demand this. The Grand Army was the first to feel the depression of business, and let us hope it will be the first to recover.

Eight Posts have been mustered since last Department Encampment and one application is on file for another. Twelve general orders have been issued and sent to the Posts, together with the Department Roster, National Orders, Proceedings and Countersigns, also the Proceedings of the Department Encampment.

Exhibits "A," "B," "C," "D," "E" and "F" are hereto attached and form a part of this report.

In conclusion, permit me to thank you for the honor conferred upon me. The comradeship existing among all officers of this Department will ever be a pleasant recollection.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Asst. Adjt. Gen. and Asst. Q. M. Gen.

EXHIBIT "A."

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 1895.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1894		\$1,922 67
Received from per capita tax	\$3,055 68	
" " charters	105 00	
" " requisitions	492 35	
" " interest on loan	120 00	3,773 03
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		\$5,695 70

EXPENDITURES.

Supplies:

Membership badges	\$204 75	
Buttoniers	84 00	
Rank straps	12 64	
Books, blanks, etc	120 59	
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		421 98

Expenses:

Office rent, eleven months	\$407 00	
Printing and stationery	261 80	
Printing Proceedings Dep't Encampment	283 80	
Salary A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.	2,000 00	
Salary Department Inspector	200 00	
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		3,152 60
Postage	\$197 32	
Per capita tax	419 07	
Relief	43 30	
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		650 69

Engraving charters and commissions	\$4 00	
Badges for Department Encampment	35 00	
Stenographer for Department Encampment	45 45	
Expenses Department Encampment	15 00	
Badges National Encampment	28 00	
Expenses National Encampment	120 50	
Insurance	6 50	
Office boy	330 00	
Safe	46 00	
Entertaining Commander-in-Chief	5 00	
Incidentals	47 14	
Supply Book	7 00	
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		689 59

Traveling Expenses:

Department Commander Grund	\$125 00	
Department Commander Benecke	37 25	
Assistant Adjutant General Pachall	80 00	242 25
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		\$5,166 11

Balance on hand December 31, 1895		\$ 529 59
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EXHIBIT "B."

STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES PURCHASED, ISSUED AND ON HAND FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1895.

	On Hand Dec. 31, 1894.	Purchased.	Total.	Issued.	On Hand Dec. 31, 1895.	Value of Supplies on Hand.
Membership badges.....	54	585	639	535	104	\$ 57 00
Buttoniers	2	1,400	1,402	1,285	117	11 70
Rank straps.....	247	24	271	123	148	51 80
Official ribbons	8	260	268	156	112	11 20
Rules and regulations	1	153	154	154		
Applications.....	241	2,0 00	2,241	1,456	785	4 51
Cash books		40	40	12	28	21 00
Quartermaster receipt books.....	47		47	40	7	3 50
Quartermaster warrant books.....	6	27	33	13	20	15 00
Roll books	32		32	10	22	16 50
Charters.....	5	10	15	8	7	1 75
Discharges.....	54	100	154	152	2	10
Transfers	59	400	459	429	30	1 50
Odes	66	100	166	102	64	1 28
Service books.....		80	80	53	27	6 75
Rituals	6	50	56	52	4	1 50
Certificates of membership	177		177	41	136	13 60
Blue books	4	4	8	8		
Department badges, plain	285		285	42	243	145 80
Department badges, silver top	48		48		48	48 00
Descriptive books		15	15	12	3	21 25
Minute and order books.....		40	40	23	17	11 75
Leaves of absence.....	105	100	205	177	28	1 12
Adjutant description books.....		15	15	12	3	2 25
						\$427 61

EXHIBIT "C."

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY ON HAND.

Desks.....	2	Sword belts.....	9
Chairs.....	7	Gavels.....	6
Tables.....	2	Charter, framed.....	1
Book case.....	1	Map of Missouri.....	1
Case for blanks.....	1	Adjutant General's report of	
Case for supplies.....	1	Illinois, volumes.....	8
Chest of drawers.....	1	Roster Wisconsin Volunteers,	
Case for pigeon holes.....	1	volumes.....	2
Typewriter.....	1	Journals, National Encampment	2
Letter press.....	1	Journals, Department of Mis-	
Official Seal.....	1	souri.....	2
Cuspidor.....	1	History, G. A. R. (Beath).....	1
Waste basket.....	1	Portrait, Gen. Grant.....	1
Carpet.....	1	Portrait, Past Department Com-	
Rugs.....	2	mander Kimball.....	1
Sets of books.....	8	Portrait, Past Department Com-	
Slide boxes.....	512	mander Phelps.....	1
Letter books.....	2	Portrait, Past Department Com-	
Dating stamp.....	1	mander Burton.....	1
Die for Department badges.....	1	Portrait, Past Department Com-	
Ink stands.....	3	mander Grund.....	1
Department banner and case.....	1	Portrait, Past Commander-In-	
Pair stirrups.....	1	Chief Warner.....	1
Packing trunk.....	1	Other Pictures.....	5
Flag.....	1	Medalion F. P. Blair.....	1
Letter scale.....	1	Safe.....	1
Letter files.....	24		

EXHIBIT "D."

DEPARTMENT ASSETS.

Cash balance, December 31, 1895.....	\$ 529 62
Amount invested with accrued interest.....	7,239 66
Office furniture.....	886 00
Supplies.....	427 61
Ledger balances.....	144 61
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	\$9,227 50

EXHIBIT "E."

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF SUCH POSTS AS HAVE OVERPAID OR WERE
IN ARREARS, DECEMBER 31, 1895.

No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
8	\$ 45 30	\$ 45 20	\$ 10	\$.....	175	7 40	7 80	.....	40
11	13 15	13 05	10	.....	176	2 60	1 30	1 30	.....
14	30 00	29 70	30	.....	177	5 20	3 60	1 60	.....
16	29 10	29 23	.....	13	182	20 70	19 20	1 50	.....
21	30 85	29 50	85	.....	184	6 50	4 10	2 40	.....
23	8 70	8 20	50	.....	185	16 20	15 20	1 00	.....
25	7 90	8 05	.....	15	186	5 82	4 10	1 72	.....
33	11 60	11 30	30	.....	187	6 90	6 00	90	.....
39	5 60	4 70	90	.....	190	5 60	5 10	50	.....
50	3 90	2 40	1 50	.....	194	10 59	10 35	.....	24
51	15 90	16 83	.....	93	197	7 00	9 85	.....	2 35
59	5 10	5 39	.....	29	206	4 50	3 40	1 10	.....
61	5 20	5 50	.....	30	207	9 29	7 40	1 89	.....
65	9 42	9 10	.....	32	209	12 50	4 40	8 10	.....
68	8 50	8 35	15	.....	218	3 95	3 20	75	.....
75	12 55	10 70	1 85*	.....	221	13 10	12 85	25	.....
76	13 95	13 40	55	.....	226	8 90	6 70	2 20	.....
82	8 30	8 10	20	.....	229	4 70	2 30	2 40	.....
84	4 40	3 40	1 00	.....	235	14 80	14 65	15	.....
86	11 01	10 30	71	.....	241	6 40	5 60	80	.....
90	3 60	3 10	50	.....	242	5 25	5 05	20	.....
96	13 05	12 25	80	.....	243	4 20	2 00	2 20	.....
97	8 00	8 88	.....	88	244	4 30	3 80	50	.....
101	5 70	3 00	2 70	.....	249	6 60	50	6 10	.....
104	9 10	5 80	3 30	.....	257	11 10	11 20	.....	10
107	71 65	71 00	65	.....	258	5 05	3 20	1 85	.....
111	23 00	11 50	11 50	.....	260	5 90	3 80	2 10	.....
115	6 25	6 10	15	.....	261	16 00	16 30	.....	30
117	4 40	2 20	2 20	.....	262	1 80	1 20	60	.....
119	14 25	14 05	20	.....	269	10 40	11 35	.....	95
120	3 15	3 00	15	.....	278	6 30	3 70	2 60	.....
129	2 60	2 45	15	.....	279	5 20	4 80	40	.....
130	4 88	3 50	1 38	.....	285	5 05	3 60	1 45	.....
145	6 45	6 65	.....	20	286	7 70	6 90	80	.....
150	19 15	18 45	70	.....	291	8 00	5 75	2 25	.....
152	11 50	12 10	60	.....	292	4 70	5 80	.....	1 10
154	3 38	2 70	68	.....	294	10 25	9 70	55	.....
158	15 20	15 00	20	.....	298	2 56	2 78	.....	22
160	6 80	3 40	3 40	.....	301	8 80	7 00	1 80	.....
162	7 15	7 60	.....	45	305	5 30	4 60	70	.....

NOTE.—This statement does not include the *per capita* tax for second term of 1895, except where it was paid before January 1, 1896. Posts not having reported for the first term of 1895, or prior, are not included.

No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over-paid.	No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over-paid.
311	\$ 5 38	\$ 2 48	\$ 2 90		419	2 60		2 60	
312	7 50	8 70		\$ 2 20	426	2 30	20	2 10	
319	2 80	2 00	80		428	14 05	14 90		85
324	4 50	3 00	1 50		436	9 20	8 17	1 03	
327	6 60	6 20	60		437	5 10	4 10	1 00	
330	8 00	4 33	3 67		455	5 35	2 95	2 40	
331	6 80	3 70	3 10		467	4 35	2 70	1 65	
332	16 55	15 10	1 45		468	4 90	5 22		32
335	7 20	6 90	30		469	2 90	2 00	90	
342	8 93	5 50	3 43		481	4 40	3 30	1 10	
343	23 75	21 35	2 40		493	3 20	1 50	1 70	
345	4 90	4 55	35		494	4 20	3 20	1 00	
347	5 05	6 75		1 70	495	3 90	3 60	30	
355	5 40	1 50	3 90		501	3 50	1 00	2 50	
360	4 20	3 80	40		504	3 50	3 05	45	
365	8 70	6 30	2 40		505	7 55	7 00	55	
378	1 70	1 40	30		506	17 90	18 40		50
379	7 60	8 05		45	509	6 90	2 30	4 60	
390	5 60	5 10	50		514	7 60	7 20	40	
391	12 50	12 10	40		515	9 20	8 10	1 10	
394	5 10	1 70	3 40		520	3 60	3 80		20
397	5 50	5 90		40	521	1 40	2 00		60
398	6 50	6 90		40	530	3 00	2 80	20	
402	4 60	3 10	1 50		531	4 80	5 05		25
407	11 95	11 60	35		534	10 75	4 00	6 75	
408	4 90	6 10		1 20	538			2 58	
410	2 20	1 35	85		539	2 40	3 00		60
311	4 70	3 90	80		548	8 30	7 75	55	
413	2 10		2 10						

EXHIBIT "F."

STATEMENT SHOWING MEMBERSHIP IN GOOD STANDING OF EACH POST,
WITH GAINS AND LOSSES.

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1894	1895		
Frank P. Blair.....	1	St. Louis	702	628	.....	72
Gen. Lyon	2	St. Louis	220	178	.....	42
Admiral Farragut	3	Kansas City.....	114	119	5	.....
McPherson	4	Kansas City.....	230	204	.....	26
A. Lincoln	5	Moberly	92	84	.....	8
James A. Garfield	6	Jefferson City	101	78	.....	23
Custer.....	7	St. Joe	171	162	.....	9
Geo. H. Thomas.....	8	Kansas City.....	209	124	.....	85
Gen. Canby.....	10	Rich Hill	50	50	.....	.....
James A. Mulligan.....	11	Lexington	27	34	7	.....
Ellsworth.....	12	Grant City.....	71	64	.....	7
Col. Hassendeubel	13	St. Louis	597	559	.....	38
O. P. Morton	14	Joplin.....	106	112	6	.....
Stanton	16	Carthage	118	111	.....	7
Joe Hooker	17	Cameron	114	94	.....	20
Phil. Kearney	19	Laclede	46	49	3	.....
Maj. James Wilson.....	20	Louisiana	55	45	.....	10
Sedgwick.....	21	Maryville	145	126	.....	19
Corporal Dix	22	Kirksville	121	132	11	.....
F. A. Jones	23	Macon	70	63	.....	7
David A. Roberts	25	Glenwood	33	34	1	.....
Gen. Joe Bailey.....	26	Nevada	78	76	.....	2
Tindall	29	Chillicothe.....	76	60	.....	16
Nodaway	30	Burlington Junct.....	10	3	.....	7
Capt. Wagoner	31	Independence	33	32	.....	1
S. A. Hurlbut	32	Hamilton	42	31	.....	11
Ben. Loan	33	Kingston	43	43	.....	.....
McCook	34	Lamar	55	65	10	.....
Paddy Shields	36	Clarence.....	37	42	5	.....
Col. Forbes	38	La Plata	40	28	.....	12
Roderick Rockwood.....	39	Xenia.....	27	27	.....	.....
Peabody.....	41	Savannah	41	41	.....	.....
Albert Chandler	42	Macon City.....	35	38	3	.....
W. T. Sherman	43	Hannibal	140	109	.....	31
McCullough	44	Milan	48	30	.....	18
Christian Meyer	45	Oregon	47	51	4	.....
Perry V. Fletcher	46	DeSoto	23	20	.....	3
Capt. J. L. Clark	47	Green City.....	27	30	3	.....
Gen. Geo. G. Meade	48	Lebanon	135	110	.....	25
Capt. D. M. Birch	49	Edgerton	16	12	.....	4

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing		GAIN.	Loss.
			1894	1895		
Harrisonville	50	Harrisonville	15			15
Col. Fred. Schaefer	51	Concordia	33	40	7	
Gen. Geo. R. Smith	53	Sedalia	208	215	7	
Thomas G. Wade	54	Unionville	81	43		38
Reynolds	56	Graham	30	26		4
O. H. Wood	57	Brookfield	62	62		
Bates County	58	Butler	96	99	3	
Gen. H. Blunt	59	Pollock	26	26		
Gen. Wadsworth	60	Dawn	37	26		11
Valentine Peters	61	Maitland	25	26	1	
Winfield Scott	63	Holden	49	45		4
Golden City	64	Golden City				
Col. Wm. Wilkinson	65	Mound City	29	18		11
Kilpatrick	66	Winston	37	31		6
Tarkio	67	Tarkio	28	26	3	
Gen. E. D. Baker	68	Green Ridge	20	25	5	
Capt. John Matthews	69	Springfield	82	77		5
B. B. King	70	Canton	30	28		2
Col. Jacob Smith	72	Trenton	101	101		
Johnson Downen	73	Stickleville	20	13		7
Greenfield	75	Greenfield	37	33		4
John A. Dix	76	Kidder	43	43		
Col. Grover	78	Warrensburg	124	125	1	
Capt. Stanley	79	Princeton	15	45	30	
Rousseau	80	Ravanna	32	20		12
L. W. Cooper	81	Lathrop	34	34		
Yeager-Sharp	82	Wellsville	45	34		11
Curtis	84	Sarcoixie	17	14		3
Lookout	85	Shelbina	15	12		3
King City	86	King City	48	50	2	
C. G. Harker	88	Meadville	27	35	8	
Capt. J. H. Paynter	90	Jericho	17			
T. H. Richardson	92	Lancaster	21	23	2	
Capt. C. C. Harvey	96	Mayville	54	31		23
Gen. G. B. Boomer	97	Linn	39	41	2	
Franklin Shanks	100	Lutesville	36	37	1	
Shelbyville	102	Shelbyville	23	19		4
Chilhowee	103	Chilhowee	15	15		
Nichols	104	Gallatin	23	29	6	
Arthur Crocket	106	Malta Bend	39	25		14
Harry P. Harding	107	St. Louis	186	170		16
Jeff. C. Davis	108	Versailles	33	35	2	
B. K. Davis	109	Hopkins	37	31		6
Wm. McKee	110	Cahoka	89	61		28
Cameron Garrett	115	Carl Junction	31	44	13	
Hardy Smith	117	Quitman	22			
Miles Carroll	111	Iberia	115			
Jewell	118	Mt. Vernon	42	38		4
Marion	119	Stanberry	62	60		2
Maple Grove	120	Maple Grove	14	16	2	

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1894.	1895.		
Virgil Rogers	122	Martinstown	26	25		1
Lieut. T. D. Neal	124	Bethany	127	89		38
Salem	128	Salem	77	53		24
Capt. J. H. Little	129	Denver	13	13		
Fred. Miller	136	Tina	35	35		
Ransom	131	St. Louis	501	463		38
Gardner	133	Utica	10	13	3	
Gentry	134	Albany	31	24		7
Sergt. B. H. Porch	135	Olean	16	14		2
Gen. J. G. Foster	137	Neosho	18	45	27	
Marionville	141	Marionville	37	39	2	
Stephen Decatur	142	Medoc	20	21	1	
Samuel McClure	145	Eldon	31	37	6	
Avalon	146	Avalon	25	26	1	
Akron	147	Akron				
J. J. Graveley	149	Bolivar	48	36		12
Liberty	150	Spickardsville	46	53	7	
D. N. Keeler	152	Melrose	61	53		8
Wm. T. Kays	154	Arbela	15			
Loyalty	155	Creighton	38	29		9
George Miller	158	Bethel	46	44		2
A. D. Hickman	159	Shibley's Point				
Col. Henry E. Gilbert	160	Wheeling	34	34		
Gen. Frank J. Herron	161	Buffalo	27	25		2
Marshall	162	Elmo	27	22		5
Col. Islam Keith	164	Breckenridge	24	25	1	
Menke	166	LaGrange	18	20	2	
Jesse H. Moore	168	Braymer	44	43		1
Fillmore	170	Fillmore	35	35		
J. N. Whitehead	171	Victoria	25	25		
J. B. Steadman	172	Appleton City	42	44	2	
Justi	173	Cape Girardeau	77	66		11
Maj. Hiram Gavitt	174	Fredericktown	20	20		
Seneca	175	Seneca	46	39		7
Indian Springs	176	Indian Springs	13	10		3
W. H. L. Wallace	177	Moundville	17	19	2	
Stephen Estle	178	De Witt	36	34		2
Murray	179	Memphis	78	80	2	
Stambaugh	180	Austin	30	35	5	
Mansfield	181	Powersville	51	51		
Chester Harding	182	St. Joe	66	57		9
Erich Pape	184	Bollinger Mills	41	19		22
Maj. Hunt	185	New London	39	28		11
John A. Rawlins	187	Peirce City	32	23		9
John D. Mullins	188	Linneus	26	20		6
Gen. Henry Wilson	189	Rolla	40	41	1	
W. B. Goodrich	190	Webb City	27	24		3
Austin Hubbard	194	Stockton	42	57	15	
Col. Morsey	197	Warrenton	48	49	1	
Rogersville	200	Rogersville	30	23		7

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1894	1895		
Bradshaw	201	Mt. Moriah	20	22	2	
Geo. N. McGee	206	Camden	22	22		
Col. Brooks	207	Hannibal				
Edward Wray	209	Lime Creek				
McCroskey	210	Springfield	18	22	4	
Isaac Clevenger	211	Excelsior Springs	21	13		8
George Taylor	212	Richmond				
Jas. A. K. Dillon	213	Lindley	12			
Sergt. Ryan	214	Brashear	53	49		4
Picket	215	Farmington	82	59		23
Cainsville	216	Cainsville	40	41	1	
Bennett Ford	217	Williamstown	10	10		
John Williams	218	Fairport	16	16		
Republic	219	Republic	58	30		8
Jamesport	220	Jamesport	33	20		13
Norcross	221	Novelty	41	39		2
S. L. Turley	222	Bancroft	44	31		13
Reuben Dale	223	Eagleville	81	60		21
Guy Ward	224	Hale	20	20		
Marshfield	225	Marshfield				
John Kennett	226	Jameson	22			
Col. Almstaedt	227	Fenton	21	19		2
Union	229	Ladonia	22	20		2
Andrew Hightower	231	Kansas City				
Lieut. S. A. M. George	232	Humansville	71	72	1	
Thomas J. Brouster	233	Clayton	41	47	6	
Gen. Fred. D. Steele	235	Montrose	28	38	10	
U. S. Grant	236	Lincoln	12	13	1	
Farnsworth	237	Warsaw	22	20		2
W. S. Hancock	239	Mexico	39	41	2	
John A. Hayn	240	Boonville	106	66		40
Galt	241	Galt	20	27	7	
Pattonsburg	242	Pattonsburg	18	30	12	
Andy Smith	243	Willow Springs	42	27		15
Fred. Steele	244	Cole Camp	23	19		4
Jack Grant	245	Knox City	26	22		4
John W. Rawlins	247	West Plains	36	21		15
Fordland	249	Fordland	22	22		
Guthrie	248	North Salem				
Ulysses	250	Mirabile	15	20	5	
Col. Leonard	251	Eldorado Springs	57	59	2	
Mt. McGregor	252	Sprague	11	26	15	
Mt. Pleasant	253	Belton	11	11		
J. N. Hilton	254	Forsyth	30	27		3
John Boon	257	Licking	53	47		6
Mitchell	258	Gatewood	27	16		11
Blanchard	260	S. Blanchard	19	13		6
Sergt.-Maj. McIntosh	261	Hermitage	81	61		20
Johnson	262	Centralia	13	13		
Cuba	263	Cuba	52	57	5	

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1894	1895		
Morgan L. Smith.....	264	Deepwater	59	47		12
Pinhart	268	Brunswick	68	53		15
Sergt. Plummer.....	269	Sparta	31	26		5
Baker.....	271	Pineville	12	11		1
Vidette	272	Malden				
Difani	273	Perryville	85	71		14
Norwood	274	Norwood	18	21	3	
Albert Thompson.....	275	Gatewood				
Henry Brown	276	Clarksburg	160	160		
Seymour	277	Seymour	30			
John Kelsey	278	Cosby	21	18		3
Edinburgh.....	279	Edinburgh	26	18		8
A. J. Norton.....	280	Modena	30			
David Slake	281	Omaha				
Wakefield Standley	282	Carrollton	34	36	2	
Wakefield	283	Fair Play	42	41		1
George G. Bryan.....	284	Belgrade	50	50		
Jim Carnes	285	Rockport.....	17	20	3	
Chas. Sumner	286	Boonville	34	32		2
Warren	287	Rockville	18	25	7	
Thomas S. Staples	288	Fairmont	12	12		
Maj. A. Bartlett.....	289	Troy	32	25		7
Fred. Hecker	290	Pacific	30	32	2	
Robert McElroy.....	291	Clarksville	22	29	7	
Thomas A. Reed	292	Ebenezer.....	39	17		22
George Gamble	293	Hemker	32	32		
Col. Geiger.....	294	Highlandville	41	29		12
Capt. Blandowsky.....	296	New Haven	18	17		1
John S. Phelps.....	297	St. James.....	58	55		3
Stewartsville	298	Stewartsville	12	7		5
C. A. Arthur	299	Mansfield	78	77		1
Chas. Demny.....	301	St. Louis.....	36	36		
Negley	302	Ottomer	6	5		1
Bob. Ford	303	Coffeysburg	11	19	8	
John A. Logan	304	St. Louis.....	51	47		4
Ben. Grigsby.....	305	Roy	26	19		7
Freeport.....	307	Roads.....				
George W. Tyler.....	311	Ford	30	28		2
Dan McCook	312	Leesville	48	42		6
W. F. Lane	313	Strafford	24	23		1
John D. Rohye	314	Cedar Hill	27	27		
Jordan Wilson	316	Clarksville	16	16		
Gen. Hunter	317	Lamonte	14	13		1
Jesse M. Harbin	318	Puxico	17			
Capt. Mack	319	Green Ridge.....	19			19
Capt. Manwaring	320	Hermann.....	63	49		14
Capt. J. M. Baird	322	Verona	34	27		7
Galena	323	Galena				
George V. Pitts	324	Sullivan.....	15	15		
Lockwood	325	Lockwood.....				

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			1894	1895		
J. Felix St. James	326	Ste. Genevieve	70	68		2
Adrian	327	Adrian	21	27	6	
Simpson Mason	328	Bakersfield				
Gordon Granger	329	Clinton	68	69	1	
Jonah W. Reyer	330	Urbana	40	38		2
John P. McCluney	331	Higginsville	34	29		5
James W. Owens	332	Washington	77	58		19
Jas. H. Hart	333	Piedmont	11	11		
H. G. Blake	335	Panacea	18	19	1	
James Ward	337	Jasper	41	41		
Lieut. John Baxter	338					
Houston	339	Houston	66	40		26
Evans	340	Economy	32	34	2	
Sergt. L. J. Roach	342	Monticel	27	28	1	
Col. Shaw	343	St. Louis	76	71		5
Franz Wilhelmi	344	Union	20	21	1	
Jesse Owens	345	Bear Creek	47	47		
Iron	346	Ironton	31	21		10
Levi F. Pennington	347	Truxton	25	11		14
H. C. Beckett	348	Mineral Point	52	52		
Capt. James Johnson	350	Arnsberg	25	24		1
Joseph Martin	351	Norborne				
Pardee	352	Cabool				
Sergt. P. P. Mabrey	354	Chaonia	16	15		1
Dixon	355	Dixon	39	39		
Zincite	356	Zincite	10	7		3
R. L. Ferguson	358	Sweet Springs	36	38	2	
Splitlog	359	Splitlog	21	21		
Daniel Miles	360	Iantha	20	19		1
Fulton	361	Fulton				
Sac River	362	Seybett	19	21	2	
Capt. McFarland	364	New Florence				
Appleton	365	Appleton	28	28		
Upton	366	Sheridan	25	30	5	
Roscoe	367	Roscoe	24	23		1
John V. Wilson	368	Mack's Creek				
Samuel Lewis	370	Cunningham	20	20		
Stella	371	Stella	41	45	4	
Col. Putnam	373	Allendale	35	25		10
R. P. Carnes	374	Dunlap	25	29	4	
Harwood	375	Harwood	37	24		13
J. W. Robertson	377	Ozark	35	27		8
Iuka	378	Johnson City	22	15		7
Capt. Tom. Walker	379	Leora	53	42		11
Commerce	382	Commerce	26	25		1
Dawn	384	Osceola	45	34		11
Long Lane	385	Long Lane		13	13	
Albert Harrison	386	Climax Springs	34	35	1	
Marceline	387	Marceline	36	49	13	
Jacob Yount	390	Younts	46	44		2

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1894	1895		
Pike.....	391	Bowling Green	61	50		11
South West City	392	South West City.....	15	26	11	
Capt. J. A. Bowers	393	Milford	30	29		1
Lieut. Wm. Brawner	394	Patton	17			
Andrew Chester.....	395	Oronogo	32			
Brookline.....	397	Brookline	9	16	7	
Phil. Sheridan	398	Gulf	31			
Capt. L. F. Bierwirth	402	Cape Girardeau	14	15	1	
Cavalry.....	404	Clarksdale				
Durbin A. Ward	405	Pickering	32	17		15
Corporal Doke.....	406	Garrison	20	16		4
Conway	407	Conway	39	38		1
Col. Kregel	408	St. Peters	25	26	1	
John Shelton	409	Palace	18	13		5
John H. Kendall	410	Brazito				
Capt. Kelso	411	Astoria.....	47	35		12
John R. Downing	412	Newark	16	16		
Richland	413	Dora	13			
David Hewitt	414	Louisburg.....	36	19		17
.....	415	Dunlap				
Tiff City	416	Tiff City	12	9		3
Smithton	417	Smithton.....	21	20		1
Sergt. Clay Shaw	418	Sedalia.....	21	23	2	
Walden Emery.....	419	Decaturville.....				
Fred. Roether	420	Montgomery City	29	29		
Capt. Bradley.....	421	Crocker	23	23		
J. B. Wecker.....	422	Newtown.....				
Florence.....	423	Florence				
Col. A. J. Webber	424	Wakenda.....	32	39	7	
Lieut. Wm. Hawkins.....	425	Brumley	49	42		7
Hunnewell.....	426	Hunnewell	23			
Thomas Gordon	428	Polo	32	29		3
John V. Hoover.....	429	Elkland	46	51	5	
Holt.....	430	Craig	23	20		3
Joseph L. Wray.....	431	Egypt Mills	15	15		
Columbia	432	Columbia	25	29	4	
David D. Porter	433	Mountain Grove.....	27	30	3	
J. B. Wickes	434	Richland	41	41		
T. A. Shelton	435	Howland	22	22		
Joseph A. Mower	436	Hartville	21	26	5	
Simon Cameron	437	Cross Timbers	29	25		4
C. M. Anderson.....	439	Advance				
Gen. Hazen	440	Foster.....	26	25		1
Alton	441	Alton	15	13		2
Hume	442	Hume.....	22	24	2	
Elwood Miller	444	St. Louis	40	40		
Gideon T. Potter	445	Steelville				
Obediah Gray.....	446	Moody	17			
Capt. Bauer	447	Berger	19	19		
Fair Grove	449	Fair Grove	26	27	1	

NAME OF POST.	NO.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1894	1895		
David Reeves	450	Smithville	13			
Tipton	452	Tipton	12	10		2
E. E. Kimball	453	Middletown	42	37		5
Calhoun	454	Calhoun	14			
McClain	455	Centretown	28	20		8
DeKalb	456	DeKalb	28	18		10
Warren T. Stewart	457	Henton	30	17		13
Col. J. P. Brownlow	458	Plew	15	12		3
John Whaling	459	St. Joe	24	26	2	
Capt. J. S. Robb	461	Jenkins	23	24	1	
Lieut. Ephraim Gaither	462	Aurora	33	28		5
Capt. Mace	464	Logan's Creek	21	20		1
Louis Duemler	465	St. Clair	33	34	1	
Vandalia	466	Vandalia	30	31	1	
Seaman	467	Harris	19	13		6
Maj. Leonard	468	Higbee	22	22		
Lieut. Brooks	469	Ashland				
Gen. Geo. D. Crook	470	Slater	21	14		7
Ethel	471	Ethel	15	12		3
Callaway	472	Fulton	16	22	6	
L. A. Weathermon	473	Clyde	17	11		6
Gov. Andrew	475	Birch Tree	23	24	1	
Col. Parkinson	476	Springfield				
Sumner	477	New Cambria	17	17		
New Union	478	Gamburg	28	20		8
T. R. Lane	479	Montreal	21	20		1
Green Hampton	480	Protom				
Goulding	481	Buckhart	22	17		5
John C. Fremont	482	Norris	16	16		
W. D. Porter	484	Hendrickson				
George B. McClellan	485	Washington	20	17		3
Dillard Bell	487	Elmer	15	19	4	
L. Stevenson	488	Pocahontas	22	20		2
Maj. Ennis	489	Greentop	22	21		1
W. W. Leggett	490	Duncan's Bridge	22	20		2
Eagle	492	Monett	13	10		3
Freeland	493	Hardin				
James H. Fort	494	Greencastle	14	13		1
E. D. Brown	495	Lead Mine	38	40	2	
Col. Meumann	496	St. Louis	168	157		11
Maj. Montgomery	498	Ardeola	12	13	1	
John S. Miller	499	Guilford	10	12	2	
Kinney Lucas	500	Ardmore				
Savon Parker	501	Chillicothe	10			
Monroe Lee	504	Golden	18	16		2
Col. P. Cornyn	505	Chamois	32	34	2	
John Tietjens	506	Indian Grove	45	46	1	
Maj. Worthington	507	Shell Knob	23	29	6	
Isaac Smith	509	Brunswick	23	23		
Whitesville	510	Whitesville	25	19		6

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1894	1895		
Gen. Buford	511	Louisiana				
Harrison A. Gleim	512	Tipton	61	60		1
Wm. Burris	513	Glasgow	10			
Jesse Turnage	514	Rayville	34	36	2	
Liberal	515	Liberal	18	31	13	
J. H. Crenshaw	516	Carterville	28	33	5	
Parnell City	517	Parnell City	17	17		
John Martin	519	Tuscumbia				
F. M. Slagle	520	Exeter	21			
Papinsville	521	Papinsville	14			
Duncan	522	Bowling Green	13			
Thomas L. Bounds	523	Gorin				
Drexel	524	Drexel	31	33	2	
George W. Murphy	525	Cowgill	27	29	2	
George W. Walker	526	Darlington	13	16	3	
Boone	527	Columbia				
Max Latimer	528	Downing				
Ben. Lewis	529	Glasgow	19	16		3
Adj. Pratt	530	Mexico				
Belmont	531	Bolckow	24	17		7
Flag Springs	532	Flag Springs	17	15		2
Capt. John Turney	533	Plattsburg	12			
Sergt. Welch	534	Ponce de Leon	35	35		
Samuel Warner	535	Laredo				
Aldrich	536	Aldrich	26	24		2
Tecumseh	537	Ridge Prairie	22	20		2
Isabella	538	Isabella				
Tillman Tirrell	539	Moberly	13	13		
J. H. Weirich	540	Spring Bluff	27	24		3
W. H. Harrison	542	Bland	28	19		9
Stewart S. Bell	543	Festus	20	10		10
Gen. Jere M. Rusk	544	St. Charles	25	21		4
Ridgeway	545	Ridgeway	34	23		11
T. L. Hampton	546	Newport	18	15		3
Col. J. H. Stover	547	Aurora Springs	11			11
Wm. A. Mills	548	Boyles Mills	18	25	7	
Col. John A. Davis	549	Windsor		24		
Seligman	550	Seligman		23		
Blythedale	551	Blythedale		22		
Denver	552	Baxter		18		
E. L. Van Zandt	553	Kirbyville		27		
Gutzweiler	554	St. Charles		47		
	555	Urich		12		
Chas. F. Ernst	556	Easton		12		



J. W. SCOTT, DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR, }
 MOBERLY, MO., March 7, 1896. }

LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander.

Comrade: In accordance with General Order No. 7, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., I have the honor to present herewith my report of the inspection of the Posts of this Department for the year ending December 31, 1895. There are 398 Posts, with a membership of 15,497 reported in good standing at the present time; 318 Posts, with a membership of 13,589 have complied with all our requirements and obligations and 80 Posts have found it more convenient to be in the rear than on the front line with their comrades that are heroically contending for the noble and patriotic principles of our Order. I take pleasure in submitting a detailed report, as follows:

Number of Posts in good standing, December 31, 1895.....	398
Number of members in good standing	15,497
Number of Posts inspected	322
Membership of Posts inspected	13,729
Amount in relief fund of 56 Posts	\$11,123 67
Amount expended for charity by 162 Posts	4,237 74
Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermasters of 262 Posts	16,979 75
Value of other property owned by 257 Posts	32,075 26
Number of muskets owned by 101 Posts	809
Posts in which ritual is properly performed	80
Posts whose officers and guards are uniformed	54
Posts whose members are uniformed	30
Posts whose officers and members are partly uniformed	147
Posts whose officers are regular in attendance	216
Posts whose members are regular in attendance	131
Posts whose records are well kept	286
Posts who receive and read orders regularly	303
Posts who obey orders	298
Posts who have a relief fund	56
Number of Posts that have forwarded all dues and reports	302
Number of Posts that report Woman's Relief Corps	75
Number of Posts that report Sons of Veteran Camps	58
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported excellent	2
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported very good	14
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported good	157

Number of Posts whose prospects are reported fair.....	113
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported not good.....	36
Number of district and ward school houses reported	1,929
Number of school houses reported supplied with flags.....	646
Average amount charged for muster-in.....	\$1 32
Average amount charged for annual dues	1 23
Number in good standing in 1891	21,038
Number in good standing in 1892	20,353
Number in good standing in 1893	18,611
Number in good standing in 1894	17,766
Number in good standing in 1895	15,497

In my report for 1894 I made mention of the fact that in numbers we have been on the decline since 1892. The reasons are obvious; the days of prosperity and contentment this country obtained and enjoyed by the valor and heroism of the flower of the world militant, has vanished as a sparkling dew-drop of a bright summer's morn. In the garden spot of this universe, with abundance of all the necessities required to bring happiness to all, are found many worthy and battle-scarred veterans drifting around penniless and in want, incapacitated for labor, too proud to make their wants known and knowing not from whence the next morsel may come, much less the wherewith to pay Post dues. Many are maimed and decrepid and physically unable to attend Post meetings, and the crown of glory and eternity at the break of every dawn finds additional lustre to the already brilliant diadem of mortal jewels. As time glides by the momentum of our decadence increases. We are now basking in the soft and mellow twilight of the sere and yellow autumn and the inevitable is within easy trailing distance of each and all of us.

The financial portion of my report shows a very flattering condition for the 318 Posts inspected and I wish to call attention to some facts connected therewith. One hundred and sixty-two Posts expended for charity the handsome sum of nearly \$4,000 during the past year and 56 Posts have more than \$11,000 to their credit in the relief fund; 155 Posts report empty treasuries, and I would add that the same Posts are nearly all minus Women's Relief Corps. Comment would be unnecessary in regard to the stagnant condition of the latter Posts if they would heed experienced and practical advice in their endeavors to break the monotony of dull Post-rooms and have a Relief Corps to assist in replenishing the Post fund and share in the noble work of charity. To the Women's Relief Corps the Grand Army owes a debt of gratitude and none knows it better than the average good and well regulated Posts.

Interest in Sons of Veteran affairs show a slight decline during the past year, a comparison with the prior annual inspection report gives a loss of seven Camps. I do not think our boys receive the attention and encouragement from the comrades that they should. We overlook the fact that the time is near at the farthest when that sincere token of love

and affection that is annually bestowed on the last resting place of the comrades that have preceded us to the mystic vale beyond, will be our portion also, and to whom can we place our reliance but the loyal and patriotic auxiliaries that survive us and should be fostered by us while we have the opportunity. I have advised the consolidation of weak and struggling Posts with the stronger organizations where convenient and possible. Too much credit can not be given to many of the small interior Posts for the spirit and tenacity they display in clinging to their charter and the principles that bind them together—though few in number their zeal and ardor in their work merits much praise and notice from the larger and more favored Posts. I am unable to report on the flag question to the extent it deserves. I am minus 80 reports on the subject, and many inspection forms in use this year are early editions and do not refer to the question; however, 646 school houses are reported supplied with flags, an increase of 55 over the number reported for last year. My efforts to advance the interests and welfare of our organization and to fulfill the duties and requirements of my office have been given to the best of my ability wherever and whenever I could.

In conclusion, I desire to return my sincere thanks to the comrades for the many kind courtesies extended me in and out of the Post-room during my term of office. I am also under many obligations to the Assistant Inspectors for cheerful and efficient services and favors rendered. The ever ready and valuable assistance of that prince of comrades, Assistant Adjutant General John B. Pachall, and his polite and affable assistant, J. R. Rodgers, will always be gratefully remembered by me. And thoroughly appreciating to the fullest extent your high esteem and confidence in my loyalty and devotion to the duties in question and your interests in general, and trusting that my efforts and services as your Department Inspector has met with your hearty approval, I am,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

J. W. SCOTT,

Department Inspector.

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1	Frank P. Blair.....	625	yes	yes	yes	13	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
2	Gen. Lyon.....	218	yes	yes	yes	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
3	Admiral Farragut.....	119	yes	mostly	mostly	16	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
4	McPherson.....	206	fair	mostly	no	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
5	Abraham Lincoln.....	92	fair	yes	partly	6	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
6	James A. Garfield.....	78	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
7	Custer.....	162	yes	yes	yes	8	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
8	George H. Thomas.....	208	yes	partly	partly	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
10	Gen. Canby.....	50	no	no	no	partly	partly	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
11	James A. Mulligan.....	34	fair	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
12	Ellsworth.....	64	no	no	no	14	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
13	Col. Hassendubel.....	550	yes	yes	yes	38	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
14	O. P. Morton.....	112	fair	partly	partly	4	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
16	Stanton.....	111	partly	partly	partly	4	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
17	Jos. Hooker.....	94	fair	yes	yes	7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
19	Phil. Kearney.....	49	yes	no	no	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
20	Maj. Jas. Wilson.....	45	no	no	no	8	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
21	Sedgwick.....	126	fair	partly	partly	12	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
22	Corporal Dix.....	132	fair	partly	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
23	F. A. Jones.....	63	yes	partly	partly	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
25	David A. Roberts.....	34	no	no	no	4	yes	no	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
26	Gen. Jos. Bailey.....	76	partly	yes	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
29	Tindall.....	60	no	partly	partly	6	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
30	Nodaway.....	4	partly	no	no	no	no	no	little	yes	yes	yes	yes
31	Capt. Wagner.....	40	yes	yes	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
32	S. A. Hurlburt.....	31	yes	no	partly	5	yes	fair	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
33	Ben. Loan.....	43	yes	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
34	A. D. McCook.....	65	partly	partly	partly	10	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
36	Paddy Shields.....	42	yes	yes	partly	6	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
38	Col. Forbes.....	27	yes	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
39	Roderick Rockwood.....	23	partly	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
41	Peabody.....	41	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
42	Albert Chandler.....	37	partly	yes	yes	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
43	W. T. Sherman.....	109	yes	partly	partly	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
44	McCullough.....	30	fair	no	no	11	yes	no	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
46	Perry V. Fletcher.....	20	partly	partly	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
47	Capt. J. L. Clark.....	30	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
48	Gen. Geo. G. Meade.....	134	partly	no	no	8	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
49	Capt. D. M. Birch.....	12	no	no	no	.....	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	ptly	yes
51	Col. F. Schaefer.....	40	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
53	Gen. Geo. R. Smith.....	240	yes	yes	yes	20	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
54	Thos. G. Wade.....	43	yes	no	no	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
56	Reynolds.....	26	no	partly	no	4	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
57	O. H. Wood.....	62	partly	yes	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
58	Bates County.....	23	yes	partly	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
59	Gen. H. Blunt.....	23	no	no	no	.....	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
60	Gen. Wadsworth.....	26	partly	partly	no	.....	fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
61	Valentine Peters.....	26	partly	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
63	Winfield Scott.....	45	yes	partly	partly	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
65	Mound City.....	28	partly	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
67	Kilpatrick.....	31	fair	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
68	Tarkio.....	26	yes	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
69	Gen. E. D. Baker.....	25	no	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
70	Capt. Jno. Mathews.....	77	fair	partly	partly	5	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
70	B. B. King.....	28	yes	yes	partly	4	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
72	Col. Jacob Smith.....	102	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
76	John A. Dix.....	43	partly	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

Amount charged for muster-in?	Amount charged for annual dues?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Amount expended for charity from December 31, 1894, to December 31, 1895?	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quarter-masters?	Value of other property of the Post?	Is there a Corps of the W. R. C. connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans?	What are the prospects for the future?	How many school districts or wards are represented in your Post?	Are the school-houses in these districts supplied with the United States flag?	No. of Post.
\$ 5.00	\$ 4.00	yes	\$ 4,486 10	\$ 300 00	\$ 488 53	\$ 3,500 00	yes	no	very good	St. L.	yes	1
3.00	4.00	no		116 40	725 33	250 00	yes	no	good		yes	2
3.00	3.00	no		13 50	12 50	30 00	no	yes	extra good	K. C.	yes	3
1.00	1.00	no		112 50	143 28		yes	no	good	43	yes	4
1.00	2.40	yes	200 00	80 25	24 00	228 00	yes	no	good	4	yes	5
3.00	2.00	no	118 27	12 50	226 17	250 00	no	yes	very good	5	yes	6
1.50	3.00	yes		163 00	2,025 84	500 00	yes	yes	good	8	yes	7
1.00	2.00	no			192 78	150 00	yes	no	good	K. C.	yes	8
2.50	3.00	no		2 50	23 10	40 00	no	no	fair	4	no	10
1.00	1.00	no		5 75	83 12	100 00	no	no	good	4	no	11
1.00	1.00	no					no	no	fair		yes	12
5.00	3.00	yes	117 05	77 85	634 23	2,200 00	yes	yes	good	16	yes	13
1.00	2.00	yes	7 75	58 00		150 00	yes	yes	fair	13		14
1.00	2.00	yes	187 00	28 00	221 23		yes	yes	good		2	16
1.00	2.00	yes	24 30	25 00	191 40	145 00	yes	yes	very good	15	partly	17
1.50	1.00	yes	1 35		30 80	500 00	no	yes	good	10		19
2.00	2.00	yes	1 00	20 00	5 75	40 00	no	no	fair	4	yes	20
2.00	2.00	yes	683 87	61 75	683 87	200 00	yes	no	good			21
1.00	1.00	no		14 05	33 49	250 45	yes	no	good			22
1.00	2.00	no		150 00	75 50		yes	no	good	4	no	23
2.00	1.00	no		11 75	40 04	60 00	no	no	fair	1		25
2.00	2.00	no				50 00	yes	no	good	5	yes	26
2.50	2.00	no			30 00	300 00	yes	no	good			29
1.50	1.00	no		6 00	40 00		no	no	not good			30
1.00	2.00	no			6 87	175 95	no	no	extra good			31
1.00	1 25	no			4 98	50 00	no	no		8	yes	32
1.00	60	no		30 00	32 09	100 00	no	no	good		yes	33
1.50	1.00	no				150 00	yes	no	good			34
1.00	50	no		11 30	13 40	75 00	no	yes	good			38
1.00	25	yes	3 00		19 77	46 00	yes	no	good			38
1.00	1.00	no		16 00		5 00	no	no	fair	4	no	39
2.00	2.00	yes	11 50	12 00	23 60	300 00	no	no	fair	6	no	41
2.00	2.00	no		32 25	10 00	75 00	yes	no	good	1	no	42
2.00	2.00	no		15 20	5 36	250 00	yes	yes	good	8	yes	43
2.00	2.00	no			5 00		no	no	fair	8	no	44
1.00	1.00	no		10 00	1 15	221 00	no	no	fair	4	yes	46
1.00	1.00	yes	8 25		15 00	25 00	no	yes	good		yes	47
1.00	1.00	no			8 85	50 00	no	no	fair		1	48
1.00	1.00	no		100 00	2 20	10 00	no	no	fair	4	no	49
2.00	1.00	no			20 95	187 50	no	yes	good	11	no	51
2.50	2.60	no		78 25	245 75	133 00	yes	yes	good	4	4	53
1.00	1.00	no		4 15	10 48		yes	yes	fair	1	yes	54
2.00	2.00	no				50 00	no	no	fair	1	yes	56
1.50	2.60	yes	2 50	20 00	2 30	135 00	yes	no	good	4	yes	57
2.00	1.00	no		31 70	10 00	20 00	yes	no	good	1	1	58
1.00	40	no			2 40	15 00	no	no	fair	6		59
2.00	50	no			2 07	5 00	no	no	poor			60
2.00	1 20	no				100 00	no	no	good			61
1.00	1.00	no		2 40	8 45	38 25	yes	no	very good	2	2	63
1.50	1.80	no		10 50	10 84	50 00	no	no	fair	8	2	65
1.00	1.00	no		3 65	9 82	475 00	no	no	good			66
2.00	2.00	no		2 50	71 62	75 00	no	no	excellent	3	yes	67
1.00	1.00	no			26 62		yes	no	fair	7	5	68
1.50	2.00	yes	7 70	35 45	153 30	350 00	yes	no	good	9	9	69
1.00	no	no			25 00	25 00	no	no	fair	6	yes	70
2.00	2.00	no		43 30	220 00	15 00	yes	no	good	1	1	72
50	2.00	no		3 10		1,675 00	yes	yes	good			76

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78	Col. Grover	121	yes	yes	fair	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
79	Capt. Stanley	45	no	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	fair	yes	yes
81	L. W. Cooper	34	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
82	Yaeger-Sharp	34	no	no	no		yes	no	little	yes	yes	yes
84	Curtis	15	no	no	no		no	fair	fair	yes	ptly	yes
85	Lookout	12	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
86	King City	50	partly	no	no	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
88	C. G. Harker	27	partly	partly	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
92	T. H. Richardson	23	no	no	no	8	no	no	fair	no	no	ptly
96	Capt. C. C. Harvey	31	fair	no	mostly	1	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
97	Gen. G. B. Boomer	41	partly	yes	partly	5	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
100	Franklin Shanks	37	partly	partly	partly	6	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
102	Shelbyville	23	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
103	Chilhowee	15	yes	no	no		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
104	Nichols	29	partly	no	no		yes	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes
106	Arthur Crockett	25	no	yes	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
107	Harry P. Harding	170	partly	yes	yes	8	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
108	Jeff. C. Davis	35	yes	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
109	B. K. Davis	31	partly	no	no	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
110	Wm. McKee	61	yes	partly	partly	22	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
115	Cameron Garrett	44	no	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
118	Jewell	38	partly	partly	no	11	fair	fair	fair	fair	ptly	fair
119	Marion	60	no	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
120	Maple Grove	16	yes	partly	partly		fair	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
122	Virgil Rogers	26	yes	yes	yes		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
124	Lieut. T. D. Neal	87	partly	partly	partly	8	fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
128	Salem	53	no	partly	partly	8	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
129	Capt. J. H. Little	13	partly	partly	partly		partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	ptly
131	Ransom	43	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
133	Gardner	15	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
134	Gentry	29	yes	no	no	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
141	Marionville	36	partly	partly	partly		yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
142	Stephen Decatur	22	no	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
145	Samuel McClure	39	partly	no	no		no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
149	J. J. Gravelly	36	no	no	no	12	fair	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
150	Liberty	53	fair	no	partly	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
152	D. N. Keeler	53	yes	yes	fair	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
155	Loyalty	29	no	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
158	Geo. Miller	45	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
160	Col. H. E. Gilbert	10	no	no	no		no	no	no	fair	ptly	yes
161	Gen. F. J. Herron	28	partly	partly	partly	3	fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes
162	Marshall	22	yes	yes	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
164	Col. Islam Keith	28	fair	partly	partly	12	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
166	Menke	20	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
168	Jesse H. Moore	42	partly	partly	partly		yes	no	little	yes	yes	yes
171	J. N. Whitehead	26	no	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
172	Gen. J. B. Steadman	44	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
173	Justi	66	partly	yes	partly	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
174	Maj. Hiram Gavitt	29	no	no	no		yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
175	Seneca	30	no	partly	partly		fair	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
176	Indian Springs	10	fair	no	no		fair	fair	partly	yes	yes	yes
177	W. H. L. Wallace	19	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
178	Stephen Estle	37	no	no	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
179	Capt. W. G. Murray	80	no	no	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
180	Stambaugh	34	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
182	Gen. Ches. Harding	38	partly	yes	partly	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
184	Erich Pape	29	partly	partly	no		partly	yes	partly	yes	yes	ptly

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\$ 2 00	\$ 12 00	no		\$ 18 75	\$1,400 00		yes	no	very good	10	yes	78
1 00	1 00	no				10 00	no	yes	good	1	no	79
1 00	1 00	no			1 70	14 00	no	no	fair		2	81
1 00	1 00	no			9 70	20 00	no	no	poor	6	no	82
1 00	2 00	yes	\$ 27 50	15 00		30 00	no	no	poor	1	1	84
1 00	1 00	no		10 00	1 80	55 00	no	no	fair	2	no	85
1 50	1 20	no		15 00	20 00	20 00	no	no	good	11		86
75	1 40	yes	20 00	15 00	65 65	41 00	no	no	good	9	7	88
1 00	1 00	no			15 00	30 00	no	no	not good			92
1 00	1 00	no		16 60	15 02	10 00	no	no	good	14	no	96
1 00	50	no		5 00	5 00	70 00	no	yes	poor			97
1 50	1 00	no		10 00	60 00		no	yes	fair	10	no	100
1 00	1 00	no		14 00		20 00	no	no	good	8	no	102
1 00	1 00	no			3 34	6 00	no	no	fair			103
1 50	1 00	no		5 00	10 00	75 00	no	no	fair	7	no	104
1 00	1 00	no			35 24		no	no	fair			106
3 00	4 00	yes	374 68	70 00	1,284 22	320 00	yes	yes	good	7	7	107
1 50	1 00	no			150 00	40 00	no	no	fair			108
2 00	1 00	no		5 00	41 60	250 00	yes	yes	fair	6	3	109
2 00	2 00	no		36 60	150 00	200 00	yes	no	good	94	very few	110
1 00	1 30	no		8 00	61 92	7 00	yes	yes	good	3	no	115
1 00	2 00	no			45 00	25 00	no	no	fair			118
1 50	1 00	no		25 00	108 75	157 00	no	no	good			119
1 50	1 00	yes	18 00	4 00	29 00	10 00	no	no	fair	10	no	120
1 00	60	no		5 20	11 00	10 00	no	no	good	11	no	122
1 65	1 50	yes	65 20	3 70	71 46	149 46	yes	yes	good		partly	124
2 00	2 00	no		15 00	30 00	22 00	no	no	good	25	no	128
1 00	50	no			9 52	5 00	no	no	fair	6	no	129
5 00	4 00	yes	145 26	95 75	280 23	1,117 13	yes	no	excellent	St. L.	yes	131
1 00	1 00	no		5 00	2 15	25 00	no	no	good	2	1	133
1 00	1 80	no		2 75	3 60	50 00	yes	no	good	7	no	134
1 00	50	no		5 00	11 99	70 00	yes	no	good	10	2	141
1 50	60	no		5 00	5 00	400 00	yes	yes	good	10	no	142
1 50	1 00	no			17 90	150 00	yes	no	good	10	no	145
1 50	1 00	no			3 97	40 00	no	no	fair			149
2 00	1 20	yes	92 57	7 70	320 26	50 00	no	no	good	9	no	150
2 00	40	no		50 00	86 25	120 40	no	yes	very good	4	2	152
1 00	1 00	no		5 00	4 14		no	no	good	11	10	155
1 50	1 00	no		10 00	20 00	100 00	yes	yes	good	16	no	158
1 00	1 00	no			3 00	20 00	no	no	bad	5	no	160
1 00	1 00	no			10 35	25 00	no	no	good		1	161
1 00	1 00	yes	4 00		30 90	10 00	no	yes	good			162
1 00	2 00	no		4 00	9 65	50 00	no	no	good	12	2	164
1 00	60	no			7 59	20 00	no	no	fair	3	no	166
2 00	1 00	yes			16 50	25 00	no	no	fair	1	1	168
1 00	1 00	no			13 17	60 00	no	no	good	1	no	171
2 00	2 00	no			1 77	50 00	yes	no	good	10	1	172
3 00	2 00	no		10 85	120 11	30 00	no	no	good	4	yes	173
1 50	1 20	no			10 70	12 00	no	no	poor	5	no	174
1 00	2 00	no		20 00	29 53	23 00	no	yes	fair	8	no	175
1 00	1 00	no		13 00	2 05	50 00	no	no	fair	1	no	176
1 00	1 00	yes		3 00	9 76		yes	no	fair			177
1 00	1 00	yes		19 32	14 57	436 38	no	no	good	7	no	178
1 50	1 00	yes	2 43	36 00	24 67	65 00	no	yes	good			179
1 50	1 00	no		52 75	65 14	50 00	yes	yes	good	12	none	180
1 00	1 00	no			6 20	20 00	yes	yes	fair	8	yes	182
1 75	1 20	no		25 00	1 31	200 56	no	no	fair	6	no	184

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185	Maj. Hunt	29	partly	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
189	Gen. Henry Wilson	41	no	no	partly	6	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
190	W. B. Goodrich	15	partly	no	no	.....	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
194	Austin Hubbard	57	no	no	no	.....	partly	partly	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes
197	Col. Morsey	49	partly	no	no	.....	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
200	Rogersville	22	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
201	Bradshaw	22	partly	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
206	George N. McGee	22	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
210	McCroskey	30	fair	partly	partly	6	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
211	Isaac Clevenger	22	no	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
213	Jas. A. K. Dillon	13	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	ply	yes
214	Sergt. Ryan	49	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
215	Picket	59	partly	partly	partly	.....	partly	no	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
216	Cainsville	41	no	no	no	20	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
217	Bennett Ford	10	partly	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
218	John Williams	16	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
219	Republic	30	partly	yes	no	5	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
220	Jamesport	20	no	no	no	.....	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
221	Norcross	38	yes	yes	yes	9	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
222	S. L. Turley	81	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
223	Reuben Dale	60	no	partly	partly	15	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
224	Guy Ward	20	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
227	Col. Almstaedt	19	partly	partly	partly	5	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
229	Union	24	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
232	Lt. S. A. M. George	72	partly	partly	partly	12	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
233	Thos. J. Brouster	47	partly	yes	fair	8	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
235	Gen. Fred. D. Steele	38	fair	partly	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
236	U. S. Grant	13	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
237	Farnsworth	20	yes	no	no	20	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
239	W. S. Hancock	41	partly	yes	partly	4	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
240	Jno. A. Hayn	68	partly	no	no	6	fair	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
241	Galt	27	fair	no	no	.....	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
242	Pattonsburg	29	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
243	Andy Smith	48	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
244	Fred. Steele	19	partly	no	no	.....	partly	partly	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
245	Jack Grant	22	yes	partly	no	.....	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
247	Jno. W. Rollins	21	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
250	Ulysses	20	partly	no	no	6	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes
251	Col. Lennard	60	partly	partly	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
252	Mt. McGregor	28	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
254	J. N. Hilton	27	fair	no	no	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
257	Jno. Boon	47	partly	yes	yes	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
258	Mitchell	16	partly	no	partly	.....	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
261	Ser. Maj. McIntosh	25	no	partly	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
262	Johnson	13	no	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
263	Cuba	57	partly	no	partly	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
264	Morgan L. Smith	47	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
268	Pinhart	53	yes	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
280	Sergt. Plummer	25	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
271	Baker	11	partly	partly	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
273	Difani	71	no	no	partly	32	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
274	Norwood	21	no	yes	partly	1	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
276	Henry Brown	160	fair	partly	yes	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
278	John Kelsey	16	no	no	partly	.....	partly	fair	partly	yes	yes	ply	yes
279	Edinburgh	18	partly	no	no	.....	fair	no	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes
282	Wakefield Standley	36	partly	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	ply	yes
283	Wakefield	41	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

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\$ 1 25	\$ 2 00	yes	2 95		\$ 10 26	\$ 20 00	no	no	good	10	no	185
1 00	1 00	no		25 00	4 16	50 00	yes	yes	fair	10	no	189
1 00	1 00	no			50 75	50 00	yes	yes	fair	4	yes	190
1 00	1 00	no					no	yes	fair	22	1	194
1 50	1 00	no			60 00	20 00	no	no	good			197
1 00	1 00	no		10 00		25 00	no	no	fair	4	yes	200
2 00	1 20	yes	34 94	2 25	55 77	131 00	yes	yes	good	23	5	201
50	1 00	no		26 80	4 10	20 00	no	no	very good	6	1	206
1 00	1 00	no			27 51	5 00	yes	no	good	4	yes	210
1 00	1 00	no					no	no	not bright			211
1 00	1 00	no			5 00	25 00	no	no	fair	6	no	213
2 00	2 00	no		15 00	43 50	100 00	no	yes	good	15	yes	214
1 50	1 00	no			11 40	78 35	no	no	fair			215
1 50	50	no			81 31	32 25	no	yes	fair	10	8	216
1 00	50	no			2 54		no	no	not good	4	1	217
2 00	60	no			20 00	4 00	no	no	fair	6	no	218
2 00	2 00	yes	7 05	3 25	14 25	25 00	no	no	good	6	1	219
1 00	1 00	no		18 95	14 25	45 36	no	no	poor	5	4	220
1 50	1 00	no			21 29	37 05	no	no	good	10	no	221
1 65	1 40	no			10 00	40 06	yes	no	good	6	no	222
1 00	50	no			13 90	75 00	no	no	good		yes	223
1 50	1 50	no			5 00	10 00	no	no	good	10	4	224
2 00	1 00	no		4 50	7 50	20 00	yes	yes	dull	7	1	227
1 00	1 00	no			20 95	50 00	no	no	good	20	2	229
1 00	2 40	no			111 48		no	no	very good	8	partly	232
1 50	1 00	no		1 00	10 80	25 00	no	no	good	10	1	235
1 00	1 00	yes	3 00		16 56	10 00	no	no	fair	8	no	236
1 50	50	no		5 00	3 00	50 00	no	no	fair	8	yes	237
1 00	2 00	no		3 50	25 62	100 00	no	no	good	1	1	239
2 00	2 00	no		14 30	513 10	20 00	no	no	gloomy	6	yes	240
1 00	1 00	no			1 02	50 00	yes	no	not good	9	1	241
50	1 00	no					no	no	fair	8	no	242
1 00	1 20	no				700 00	yes	no	good	11	no	243
1 00	1 00	no		3 00	23 70	5 00	no	no	fair	5	4	244
1 50	1 00	no			3 80	55 00	no	no	very good	5	no	245
		no					yes	no	good		yes	247
1 00	60	no			67 87	50 00	no	no	fair	6	no	250
2 00	1 00	no		29 35	2 00	50 00	yes	no	fair		no	251
1 50	50	no			16 52	7 57	no	no	fair	12	none	252
1 00	50	no		25 00	40 00	20 00	no	no	fair	6		254
1 00	1 00	no		8 50	14 91	350 00	no	no	good			257
1 00	50	no			300 00	25 00	no	no	not good	4	no	258
1 50	1 00	no		18 00	34 25	30 00	no	no	fair	30	no	261
1 50	1 00	yes	2 35	3 00	6 60	5 00	no	no	good	5		262
1 00	1 00	no		8 00	8 50	40 00	no	yes	good		no	263
1 50	2 00	yes	3 61	31 00		200 00	yes	yes	very good	13	no	264
1 50	1 00	no			29 75		no	yes	good	City	2	268
75	50	no				185 00	no	no	good	6	6	269
1 50	1 00	no			2 43	25 00	no	yes	fair	5	no	271
1 00	1 20	yes	93 07		25 25	75 00	no	yes	fair			273
1 50	60	no		1 85	5 90	250 00	no	yes	good			274
1 50	1 00	yes					no	no	bad	50	20	276
1 00	1 00	no			2 79		no	no	bad	3	no	278
		yes	5 50	18 00			no	no	good			279
		yes	13 25				no	no	very good	32	no	282
1 50	1 00	no		8 65	20 15	50 00	no	no	fair	10	1	283

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284	Geo. G. Bryan.....	50	yes	no	no	5	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
286	Chas. Sumner.....	32	partly	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
287	Warren.....	25	no	no	partly	6	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
289	Maj. Bartlett.....	25	partly	no	partly		yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
290	Fred. Hecker.....	32	partly	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
292	Thos. A. Read.....	17	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
293	Geo. Gamble.....	32	no	partly	no		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
294	Col. Geiger.....	27	fair	no	yes		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
296	Capt. Blandowsky.....	18	yes	yes	no	1	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
297	John S. Phelps.....	55	yes	partly	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
298	Stewartsville.....	11	partly	no	no	3	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes
299	C. A. Arthur.....	77	partly	partly	no	8	partly	partly	partly	no	yes	yes	yes
301	Capt. Chas. Demmy.....	36	yes	yes	yes		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
302	Negley.....	5	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
303	Bob Ford.....	19	fair	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
304	John A. Logan.....	47	fair	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
305	Ben. Grigsby.....	19	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
312	Dan. McCook.....	41	partly	partly	partly		partly	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
313	Wm. F. Lane.....	24	fair	partly	partly		fair	fair	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
314	Jno. D. Rohye.....	27	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
315	Jordan Wilson.....	16	fair	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
317	Gen. Hunter.....	13	no	yes	no		yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
320	Capt. Manwaring.....	49	yes	partly	yes		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
322	Capt. J. M. Baird.....	28	partly	partly	partly	5	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
324	Geo. V. Pitts.....	15	fair	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
326	Capt. J. F. St. James.....	68	yes	yes	no	9	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
327	Adrian.....	27	yes	yes	no		fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
329	Gordon Granger.....	69	yes	yes	partly	6	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
330	Jonah W. Reser.....	40	no	partly	partly		fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
332	Jas. W. Owens.....	58	yes	partly	partly	2	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
333	Gen. Jas. H. Hart.....	11	no	no	no		yes	no	no	no	no	no	yes
335	H. G. Blake.....	18	partly	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
337	James Ward.....	41	no	no	no		yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
339	Houston.....	40	partly	no	no	6	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
340	Evans.....	32	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
342	Sergt. L. J. Roach.....	29	partly	partly	partly		fair	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	no
343	Col. Shaw.....	71	yes	yes	yes	3	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	no
344	Franz Wilhelm.....	48	no	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
345	Jesse Owens.....	48	partly	yes	partly		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
346	Iron.....	21	no	partly	partly	6	no	no	no	no	yes	no	yes
348	Henry C. Beckett.....	52	partly	yes	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
350	Capt. Jas. Johnson.....	24	no	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
355	Dixon.....	39	partly	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
358	R. L. Ferguson.....	38	partly	partly	partly		partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
360	Daniel Miles.....	19	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
362	Sac River.....	21	no	no	partly		yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
365	Appleton.....	28	partly	partly	partly		partly	partly	fair	yes	yes	no	no
366	Upton.....	30	partly	partly	partly	16	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
367	Roscoe.....	24	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
370	Samuel Lewis.....	20	yes	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
371	Rocky Comfort.....	45	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
374	R. P. Carnes.....	29	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
375	Harwood.....	24	no	partly	partly		yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
378	Iuka.....	14	yes	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
379	Capt. Tom Walker.....	42	yes	no	partly		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
382	Commerce.....	25	partly	no	no	6	partly	no	little	yes	yes	yes	yes
384	Dawn.....	34	no	no	no		fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	no

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\$ 1 75	\$ 1 00	no			\$ 21 40	no	no	no	good	4	1	294
1 00	1 96	no			10 44	8 00	yes	no	good	6	no	295
3 00	1 20	no				50 00	yes	no	good		no	297
2 00	25	no				30 00	no	no	good	10	no	299
2 00	1 00	no		\$ 2 00	20 10	50 00	no	no	fair	4	2	290
1 50	1 00	no		2 00	10 46	16 00	no	no	gloomy	12	no	292
1 50	1 05	no		2 00	24 00	200 00	no	yes	good	15	no	293
1 50	1 00	no		8 25	49 40	86 15	no	no	fair		no	294
1 00	no	no					no	no	fair	6	1	296
2 00	1 50	no		12 25	6 15	55 00	yes	no	good			297
1 50	1 00	no			1 25	20 50	no	no	had	1	no	298
1 00	1 00	no			45 50	1,125 00	no	no	good			299
3 00	3 00	no		20 00	113 00	200 80	no	no	good	2	yes	301
1 50	60	no		1 00	1 70		no	no	good	3	no	302
1 65	1 00	no			52	85 00	no	no	good	9	no	303
3 00	4 00	yes	13 56	56 85	136 85		yes	no	good	6	no	304
1 00	50	no			3 50	20 00	no	no	not good	6	no	305
1 50	1 00	yes	20 00	10 00	20 00		yes	yes	fair	17	no	312
1 00	1 00	no			4 15		no	no	fair	4	no	313
1 00	1 00	no			52 40	5 00	no	yes	fair	6	no	314
1 50	40	yes	1 25	14 50		34 40	yes	yes	good			316
1 00	50	no			13 20	21 00	no	no	poor			317
1 00	1 80	yes	62 75	6 00	68 75	45 00	no	no	fair			320
1 00	1 00	no			10 25	45 00	no	yes	fair	7		322
1 00	60	no				10 00	no	no	medium	3		324
1 50	2 00	yes	78 00	53 12	147 06	123 00	no	no	fair	5		326
60	1 00	no				15 00	no	no	gloomy	25	partly	327
2 00	2 00	yes	10 15	2 50	1 34	2 75	yes	no	good			329
1 00	1 00	no			8 00	15 00	no	no	fair			330
1 00	2 00	yes	76 90	6 90	165 66	40 00	no	no	fair			332
2 00	1 00	no			2 10	10 00	no	no	bad	3	8	333
1 00	1 00	no			2 40	60 00	no	no	fair	3		335
1 50	1 00	no		2 00	25 40	72 01	no	no	not good	10	no	337
1 00	1 00	no		2 00	2 00	600 00	no	no	good			339
1 00	1 60	no			16 15		no	no	good			340
2 00	4 00	yes	1 25	45 07	5 57	215 70	yes	yes	good	6	yes	343
2 00	1 50	no					yes	yes	good			344
1 00	1 00	yes	10 00		15 55	10 00	no	yes	good	8	no	345
2 00	1 00	no				50 00	no	yes	poor			346
1 50	1 00	no		20 00	10 00	50 00	no	no	good			348
1 00	1 80	no			25 28	20 15	no	no	fair	7	no	350
1 50	1 00	no				10 00	no	yes	fair	15	no	355
1 50	2 00	no			23 59	18 00	no	no	fair			358
1 50	1 00	no		6 00	7 55	25 00	no	no	fair	10	no	360
1 00	1 00	no			9 26	15 00	no	no	good	6	no	362
1 00	1 00	no		2 00	6 18	8 00	no	yes	fair	14	no	365
1 00	1 00	no		10 00	19 14	350 00	no	yes	good	7	no	366
1 00	1 20	no			3 70		no	no	fair	6	no	367
2 00	1 20	no				24 74	no	no	good			370
1 00	80	no		1 00	3 48		no	no	good	9		371
3 00	1 00	no		7 00	18 00	450 00	yes	no	good	9	3	374
1 00	1 00	no		6 10	2 00	25 00	yes	no	fair	9		375
1 00	1 00	no			1 00	25 00	no	yes	good	5		378
2 00	1 40	yes	13 00	5 00	80 00	80 00	no	no	good	27		379
2 00	1 00	no		8 00	70	25 00	no	no	poor	5	no	382
1 00	1 00	no				30 00	no	yes	poor			384

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386	Albert Harrison.....	35	partly	partly	partly	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
387	Marceline	38	yes	no	partly	8	yes	yes	fair	no	yes	yes	yes
390	Jacob Yount	44	partly	no	partly	7	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
391	Pike	54	partly	no	partly	7	fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
392	Southwest City.....	26	partly	no	no	.....	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
393	Capt. J. A. Bowers.....	30	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
397	Brookline	16	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
402	Cap. L. F. Bierwirth	15	partly	no	no	.....	no	no	no	partly	yes	no	yes
405	Durbin A. Ward	17	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
406	Corporal Doke	13	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
407	Conway	38	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
408	Col. Krekel	24	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
409	John Shelton	13	fair	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
411	Capt. Kelseo	35	no	no	no	.....	no	no	little	yes	ptly	yes	yes
412	Downing	16	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
414	David Hewitt	19	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
417	Smithton	20	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
418	Sergt. Clay Shaw.....	23	no	no	no	.....	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
420	Fred. Roether	29	no	no	no	.....	no	no	little	yes	yes	yes	yes
421	Capt. Bradway	23	partly	partly	partly	.....	partly	partly	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
423	Florence	18	yes	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
424	Col. A. J. Webber.....	29	yes	no	partly	.....	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
425	Wm. Hawkins	42	no	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
428	Thos. Gordon	29	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
429	Jno. V. Hoover	51	partly	no	no	.....	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
430	Holt	20	yes	yes	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
481	Jos. S. Wray	15	yes	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
482	Columbia	29	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
483	David D. Porter	30	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
485	Thos. Shelton	22	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
486	Jos. A. Mower	30	yes	partly	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
487	Simon Cameron	25	partly	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
440	Gen. Hazen	25	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
442	Hume	24	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
444	Elwood Miller	40	fair	yes	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
447	Capt. Bauer	19	partly	yes	yes	.....	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
452	Tipton	10	fair	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
453	E. E. Kimball	37	yes	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
456	DeKalb	18	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	no	little	yes	yes	yes	yes
457	Warren T. Stewart	17	no	partly	no	.....	partly	no	no	yes	yes	ptly	yes
458	Col. J. P. Brownlow	12	fair	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
460	Jno. Whaling	24	fair	yes	partly	.....	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
461	Capt. J. S. Robb	24	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
464	Capt. Mace	20	partly	no	no	.....	fair	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
465	Louis Duemler	34	yes	partly	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
466	Vandalia	31	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
468	Maj. Leonard	22	partly	no	partly	.....	no	no	fair	yes	ptly	yes	yes
470	Gen. Geo. Crook	14	no	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
471	Ethel	12	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
472	Callaway	22	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
473	L. A. Weathermon	11	partly	no	no	.....	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
475	Gov. Andrew	17	partly	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
478	New Union	30	no	no	no	2	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
479	T. R. Lane	15	no	no	no	.....	partly	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
487	Dillard Bell	19	partly	no	no	.....	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
488	L. Stevenson	20	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes
489	Maj. Ennis	21	no	no	no	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes

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\$ 1 00	\$.80	no		\$ 10 00	\$ 25 45	\$ 30 00	no	no	fair	9	no	346
1 00	2 00	no		10 00		20 00	yes	no	fair		1	387
1 00	40	no					no	yes	fair		partly	390
1 00	1 00	no				100 00	no	no	fair	12		391
1 00	1 00	no			29 81	15 15	no	no	good			392
1 00	1 00	no			7 82	100 00	no	no	good	9		393
1 00	40	no			1 64	5 00	no	no	good	5	2	397
2 00	3 00	no			2 45	10 00	yes	no	bad	1	1	402
1 00	1 00	no			2 60	25 00	yes	no	good	6	2	406
1 00	50	no		5 25	40 00	122 00	no	no	good	10	no	408
1 50	1 00	no			12 50	25 00	no	no	good	13	no	407
2 00	2 00	no		4 00	10 40	10 00	no	no	fair	5	5	408
1 50	30	no					no	no	good	5	4	409
1 50	1 00	yes				25 00	no	no	good	12	1	411
1 00	1 20	no		10 00	3 00	10 00	no	no	good	9	no	412
1 00	1 00	no			11 23	8 10	no	no	fair			414
2 00	1 25	yes				10 00	no	no	good			417
1 00	2 00	no			4 00	300 50	yes	yes	good	4	4	418
1 00	1 20	no					no	no	fair		1	417
1 00	1 00	no		3 00	6 80		no	no	fair	12	no	420
1 00		no		50	14 20		no	no	fair			423
1 00	50	no			23 90	25 00	no	no	none			424
1 50	60	no		3 00	5 70	315 00	yes	no	fair	8	no	425
1 50	1 00	no			17 00	50 00	no	no	fair	3	yes	428
1 00	1 00	no		19 02	34 20	7 60	no	no	good			429
2 00	40	yes		5 25	3 40		no	no	fair	8	yes	430
2 00	2 00	no				25 00	no	no	bad	3	no	431
1 50	3 00	no		1 00	8 00	9 00	no	no	good	7	1	432
1 00	1 00	no			4 90	10 65	no	no	good			433
1 00	40	no			4 15		no	no	fair	5	no	435
1 00	1 00	no			5 00	25 00	no	no	good	9	4	436
1 00	20	yes	3 00		5 82	33 50	no	no	fair	6	no	437
1 00	1 00	no			6 00		no	no	fair	5	no	440
1 00	1 00	no		6 00	3 15	7 00	no	no	good	5	no	442
1 50	4 00	yes	6 51	7 50	24 74	250 00	yes	no	good	4	yes	444
1 50	10	no			15 51	42 00	no	no	fair	6	no	447
1 50	10	no		4 00	2 00	30 00	no	no	good	2	1	452
1 00	1 00	no		22 50	12 87		no	no	very good		no	453
1 50	2 00	no		2 00	2 50	20 00	no	no	good	6	no	456
2 00	4 00	no		5 00	2 70		no	no	fair	20		457
1 50	1 00	yes	8 75		11 49	25 00	no	yes	good	6	no	458
1 00	3 00	no			42 00	100 00	no	no	good	8	8	459
1 00	40	no			1 17	14 00	no	no	fair	8	8	461
1 00	1 00	no		3 75	1 20	5 00	no	no	cold	1	no	464
1 00	1 00	no		9 40	44	22 00	no	yes	fair	4	4	465
2 00	2 00	yes	5 00	11 35	20 00	10 00	no	yes	good	7		466
1 00	50	no			6 25		no	no	fair	5		468
1 00	1 00	no				10 00	no	no	fair	5		470
1 00	40	no			7 12		no	no	poor			471
1 50	50	no			3 15	5 00	no	no	good			472
2 00	1 20	no			10 30	14 00	no	no	poor	6		473
1 00	50	no			8 00		no	no	good	5	no	475
1 00	40	no		3 50	19 10	19 00	no	no	good			478
1 00	60	no		6 00		4 60	no	no	good	4	no	479
1 00	35	no					yes	no	good	8	no	487
2 00	1 00	yes	15 50	3 00	34 50	12 15	no	no	good	6	no	488
1 50	25	no					no	no	good	4	3	489

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492	Eagle	10	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
495	E. D. Brown	41	no	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
496	Col. Meumann	158	yes	yes	yes	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
504	Monroe Lee	15	partly	no	partly	.....	yes	fair	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
505	Col. P. Cornyn	38	fair	no	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
506	Jno. Tietjen	46	fair	yes	yes	.....	partly	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
507	Maj Worthington	23	partly	no	no	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
509	Isaac Smith	23	yes	yes	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
510	Whitesville	19	no	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes	no	littl	yes
512	Harrison A. Gleim	60	partly	no	partly	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
514	Jesse Turnage	36	yes	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
515	Liberal	22	fair	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
516	J. H. Crenshaw	33	yes	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
517	Parnell City	18	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
520	F. M. Slagle	23	no	no	no	.....	partly	partly	partly	fair	no	yes	yes
524	Drexel	33	no	no	no	.....	no	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
525	Geo. W. Murphy	29	yes	partly	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
526	Geo. W. Walker	14	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
531	Belmont	17	partly	no	no	.....	partly	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
536	Aldrich	24	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
539	Tillman Terrell	14	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	partly	partly	fair	yes	yes	yes
540	J. H. Weirich	25	fair	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
542	W. H. Harrison	19	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
544	Gen. Jere. M. Rusk	20	no	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
545	Ridgway	26	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
546	T. L. Hampton	14	yes	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
548	Wm. A. Mills	25	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes
550	Seligman	23	no	no	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
551	Blythedale	22	partly	no	no	.....	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
552	Balter	16	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
553	E. L. Van Zandt	27	partly	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
554	Gutzweiler	47	partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

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\$ 1 50	\$ 1 00	no		\$ 10 00	\$ 19 47	\$ 2 00	no	no	poor	3	no	492
1 00	1 00	no				25 00	no	no	good			495
3 00	5 00	no		30 20	506 91	500 00	yes	no	good	6	yes	496
1 00	40	no			80		no	no	fair			504
1 00	1 00	no			6 46		no	no	good			505
1 50	1 25	yes	\$ 7 40		24 75		no	no	good			506
1 00	40	no			2 00	35 50	no	yes	good			507
1 50	3 00	yes	3 00	30 00	3 00	27 00	no	no	good	20	no	507
2 60	60	no			5 47		no	no	good	2		509
1 00	1 00	no		10 00	135 00		no	no	fair	8		510
1 00	1 00	no			3 00	55 55	no	yes	good	8	partly	512
1 00	1 00	no			100 00		no	no	good	10	no	514
1 00	1 00	no			1 00	1 80	no	no	good	1		514
1 00	1 00	no			14 60	25 00	yes	no	good	8	no	515
1 00	1 00	no			3 65	6 50	no	no	good	6	no	516
2 00	1 00	no			15 00	150 00	no	no	good	6	no	517
1 00	1 00	no			2 00	16 00	no	no	fair	5	no	520
1 00	1 40	no			3 50	29 95	no	no	good	1	yes	524
1 50	1 00	yes		83	3 00	46 71	no	no	good	12	4	525
1 00	1 00	no			10 00	20 00	no	no	good	5	1	526
1 00	1 00	no			9 00	10 00	no	no	poor	1		531
1 00	1 00	no			50 40		no	yes	good	4	no	535
1 00	1 20	no			2 00		yes	no	fair	4	no	539
1 50	25	no				26 30	no	no	fair	9	no	540
1 50		no				25 00	no	yes	poor	35	no	542
1 00		no				23 65	no	no	good	2	1	544
1 00	2 00	no			5 00	15 15	no	yes	good	9		545
1 00	50	no				3 45	no	no	fair	4	no	546
1 00	80	no					no	no	good	6	no	548
1 00	1 00	no				11 25	no	no	good	8		550
1 50	1 40	no				165 00	no	no	good	10	partly	551
1 00	1 20	no				4 30	no	no	good	1	no	552
1 00	50	no				4 80	no	no	good	7	no	553
1 50	2 00	no				119 35	no	no	very good	5	no	554

ST. LOUIS, MO., May 20, 1896.

LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander of Missouri:

As Department Inspector, Department of Missouri, I have the honor to report that since being the recipient of the high honor conferred upon me by my appointment as Department Inspector on March 10, 1896, vice Comrade Jno. W. Scott, resigned, I found that all the duties devolving upon the Department Inspector had been so well and thoroughly performed by my worthy predecessor that there was left absolutely nothing for the present incumbent to do, except to ascertain that fact. Even by a cursory examination of the exhaustive and elaborate report of my predecessor it will appear that there is nothing required at the hands of his successor to render the same more thorough, complete and satisfactory to the Comrades of this Department. Hence, to my painstaking predecessor, who has done all the work and performed all the laborious duties connected with this office, is due all the credit, honor and emoluments thereof, and I therefore request and urge that the same will be conceded to him as a proper bestowal of honor and credit where honor and credit are unquestionably and exclusively due.

Very respectfully yours, in F., C. and L.,

GEO. W. BAILEY,

Department Inspector.

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

KANSAS CITY, MO., April 27th, 1896.

LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander.

Comrade: I have the honor to submit the following report as Chief Mustering Officer of the Department of Missouri:

Post No.	Name of Post.	Location.	Date of Charter.	No. of Re-cruits.	By Whom Must'd.
549	Jno. A. Davis...	Windsor	June 15, '95	34	A. A. G.
550	Seligman	Seligman	June 21, '95	17	Wm. Holliday.
551	Blythedale	Blythedale	July 13, '95	20	W. N. Skinner.
552	Denver	Baxter	Sept. 5, '95	16	J. M. Smith.
553	E. L. Vanzant...	Kirbyville	July 27, '95	27	S. W. Linzy.
554	Gatzweiler	St. Charles	July 13, '95	33	A. A. G.
555	Urich	Urich	Nov. 9, '95	12	Alvin Haynie.
556	Chas. F. Ernst	Easton	Mar. 26, '96	12	Jno. Michel.

To the Assistant Adjutant General and Department officers who have so cheerfully and kindly assisted me in the work of my department, I return my profound thanks.

Fraternally,

FRANK F. SNOW,

Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MISSOURI, G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN, }
 SPRINGFIELD, Mo., April 27, 1896. }

Department Commander and Comrades:

As Department Chaplain of Missouri, I beg to present the following report:

I have received reports from 220 Posts of the State of Missouri, and have gleaned the following data:

1. Number of soldiers' graves decorated, 18,968.
2. Number of comrades buried by these Posts during the year, 152.
3. Number of Posts owning cemetery lots, 35.
4. Number of soldiers buried in potter's field, 115.
5. Number of graves unmarked by proper headstones, 1,150.
6. Number of Posts holding Sunday memorial services, 150.
7. In these Sunday services the Posts usually meet with some local church, by previous arrangement, and an appropriate service is held; patriotic songs are sung and a patriotic sermon is delivered, either by the pastor or by the Post Chaplain, or some one invited for the occasion. These Sunday services are largely attended and are enjoyed by the people.
8. Number of Posts who hold Memorial Day services, 175.
9. Number of comrades present and participating in the memorial services, 11,315.
10. Total number of people present during Memorial Day services May 30th, 103,500.
11. A pleasing feature of Memorial Day services is the frequent participation in the services and parade by Sunday schools, colleges, high schools, civic societies; as well as the W. R. C. and Sons of Veterans.

The Grand Army of the Republic cannot but feel grateful for the interest of these schools and civic societies in helping to honor the noble heroes whose graves we decorate on that occasion.

12. The usual form of service observed on Memorial Day is: Music by drum corps, brass bands and vocal singing; prayer by Chaplain; recitation; poem; address; formal decoration of graves.

13. For the past two years the weather in Missouri has been very unpropitious and the arrangements of the day greatly delayed and marred.

14. The reports from the Posts enable me to say that in all places where the Post was alive to the occasion and made an effort to secure the co-operation of the public in the memorial services, their efforts were

richly rewarded. In some quarters where complaint is made of the lack of public interest, the cause may be the lack of a little enterprise on the part of the commander and comrades.

15. I am more and more assured by the reports for the past two years, that the Grand Army is largely composed of religious men. Nearly eighty per cent of the comrades are connected with some religious body of the State. Possibly, if this fact were known more generally, the saloons would not put up quite so elaborate decorations to greet us on our annual gathering day; and cities that invite us to hold our next meeting with them would not inform us that beer will be on tap in abundance. We sometimes give out a false impression at our gatherings by the fact that a few of our comrades, in the exuberance of their joy in meeting old comrades, indulge in drink to excess.

16. A number of Posts make Memorial Day an opportunity for increasing the membership of their Post; this is commendable.

17. It is truly gratifying to learn that prejudice is gradually passing away, so that all citizens see the propriety of Memorial Day observance and feel that they cannot afford to remain in their stores and places of business and thus neglect to pay proper respect to the heroes who gave their lives to save their country. It is clearly the duty of the Grand Army men throughout this State to urge by persuasion and even protest that it is the duty of citizens in general to recognize the obligation of the public toward the fallen braves.

18. The action of several Posts is highly to be commended in arranging for after-meetings in the cities and villages where the distance to the cemeteries is too great, so that school children and citizens may enjoy the benefit of the addresses.

19. A general absence of games and races on Memorial Day was reported.

20. In many reports a minor strain was heard—lamentation for the constantly depleting ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic. One by one the comrades depart to the camping ground beyond the river; almost in every Post one was laid gently to rest. Three hundred more next year. Some familiar faces are absent this year. In a few years at most we all shall be mustered in to the Grand Army above. When the grand review shall be called, may each one of us be found as faithful and loyal to the principles of righteousness as we were to the call of our beloved country and the defense of her institutions.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

W. C. CALLAND,

Department Chaplain.

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE,
 MEMPHIS, MO., April 20, 1896. }

LOUIS BENECKE, Commander Department of Mo., G. A. R.

Dear Sir and Comrade: In submitting my annual report of the business of this office during the past year, I desire to congratulate the Comrades upon the great harmony that prevails throughout all the Posts of this Department. Among the first and most important lessons that a soldier learns upon entering the army, is to obey orders. And while the duties of my office have not been very arduous or extensive, I attribute it to the efficiency and good judgment of our Department Commander; who has so kindly shielded me from what might otherwise have been a much greater task.

But it is most gratifying to me to say that throughout our beloved Missouri, where I have been, I have found our Posts (though few in number) in a flourishing condition, and around each sacred altar are gathered the old soldiers of the Union armies in fraternal camp-fires to perform their loving deeds of charity, and inculcate true principles of loyalty; and I think I can say, their zeal in the performance of all the obligations of the order, their efficiency in work, equipment in uniform, they are abreast of any of the Posts of the older Departments.

To the Department Commander, whose personal and official intercourse with his staff has been marked by the utmost kindness and courtesy, I desire to express my grateful acknowledgments.

The following are the opinions in full rendered by me during the year:

Opinion 1, May 15th, 1895. Post No. 496, (Hugo Vogel, Commander).

CASE.—Post Commander had appointed a comrade to preside as Commander without the consent of the Senior or Junior Vice Commanders, or of the members of the Post, and against their will.

OPINION.—That Post Commander was without any authority for such action. That in the absence of the Commander, it is the duty of the Senior and Junior Vice, in order of their rank to preside. Chapter 2, Art. 8, Sec. 1 and 2, G. A. R. Regulations.

Opinion 2, July 1st, 1895. E. E. Kimball, Post No. 453, (E. W. Pritchell, Commander).

CASE.—Post Commander had appointed a committee to investigate and inquire into certain charges that were afloat, as to the good name of a comrade of the Post; this committee made their report in writing, finding that such reports were true.

And thereupon the Post Commander took a vote of the Post upon said report, and it was sustained by a majority vote of the Post, and the comrade was suspended indefinitely from the Post.

OPINION.—That the appointment of a committee, for the purpose of ascertaining if reports were probably true, was authorized by our ritualistic law, but that the Post should have voted thereon, was without authority. Their report was only for the information of Post Commander, and if in his opinion report was well founded, it was his duty then to have convened a Court-Martial. This not having been done, no action is necessary to reinstate the Comrade, as his suspension was a nullity, and void, and he is still a member of said Post.

Opinion 3, October 18th, 1895. Ransom Post, No. 131, St. Louis, Mo., (A. G. Peterson, P. P. C.)

CASE.—A question was raised by A. G. Peterson, P. P. C., Post 131, as to the eligibility of one George A. Newcomb, a member of said Post, to be elected to the office of Commander of said Ransom Post, clearly raising the question of his right to be mustered as a member of said Post.

DECISION.—Upon investigation, it is found, that said George A. Newcomb had been mustered as a member of said Post, upon a certificate issued by the Chief of Bureau of Navy Department, Washington, D. C., showing that said Newcomb had been discharged from a clerkship, under Admiral Lee, on board the warship Malvern in 1864.

That said certificate does not show that said George A. Newcomb was ever regularly mustered into the United States service; or that he had been honorably discharged therefrom; and that he was discharged from a clerkship on board the warship Malvern, it does not necessarily follow that this was a final discharge from that or any other service of the United States Army or Navy, and under Chapter 1, Article 4, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, was not entitled to be mustered as a member of said Ransom Post, No. 131, and therefore not eligible to the office of Commander. Two things are requisite to membership in the G. A. R.: First, he must be either a soldier or sailor of the United States Army or Navy or Marine Corps, or of a State Regiment, etc. "Muster-in" is imperative in order to be a soldier. Second, every applicant for admission must have an honorable discharge from one or the other of these branches of the service.

Blue Book, Page 36, Opinion 132.

Blue Book, Page 37, Opinion 9, and note.

Blue Book, Page 38, Opinion 131.

Hoping you will pardon me, but I think it is justly due me as your Judge Advocate, that I further state, that after rendering my decision in Case No. 3, said Ransom Post not being content with my decision submitted the question to the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the United States, and in due time I received through the Assistant Adjutant General's office of this Department a lengthy opinion or deci-

sion, stating and declaring that said George A. Newcomb was rightfully mustered, in Ransom Post, No. 131, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., and that he was eligible to the office of Commander thereof, and asking that I should review my former decision.

And notwithstanding it was my opinion that the case was not before him on an appeal regularly taken, and that he had no jurisdiction or authority in the premises to render any opinion whatever in the case, except on an appeal regularly taken through Department headquarters to the Commander-in-Chief, which the papers before me did not show had been done, I again reviewed my former decision, examined the authority upon which it was founded, and seeing no reason why I should change my former decision in the case, I so reported through our Assistant Adjutant General.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. CRAMER,

Judge Advocate, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R., }
OFFICE OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR, }
KAIHOKIA, MO., May 16, 1896. }

To the Officers and Members of the Department of Missouri, G. A. R.

Comrades: I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report as Medical Director, and beg leave to say, that only 201 Posts made Surgeon's report. Reporting 252 deaths, and only a very limited number of Posts furnished a statement giving cause of death. Seventy per cent of cases where cause is given death was presumably due to wounds or disease contracted in the service.

I desire to urge upon the Department the recommendations of my predecessor, as to the method and manner of making Surgeon's reports.

On account of declining health I shall not be permitted to meet with the Encampment at Hannibal.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,
SAMUEL NEEPER, M. D.,
Medical Director.

DEATH ROLL, DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
G. A. R., 1895.

No. Post.	NAME.	Age.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
276	Anwalter, Geo.....	62	Private.....	F	116th N. Y.	Wounds.
269	Adam, J. N.....					
378	Ables, D. L.....	50	Private.....	A	E. M. M.....	Pneumonia.
1	Bircher, C. A.....		Corporal.	B	5th Mo. Cav.....	
	Brockman, Phil.....		Private.....	K	2d Mo. Art.....	
3	Bair, Abraham.....					
4	Bosworth, H. M.....	50	2d Lieut.....	A	123d N. Y. Inf.....	Heart disease.
5	Boyd, Jos. M.....					
5	Brooks, W. C.....					
7	Blake, Robt. B.....	78	Private.....	A	2d Del. Inf.....	Old wounds
8	Baird, F. J.....					
8	Braymar, M.....	87	Brig. Gen.....		Ill. Vol.....	Old age.
13	Berghoefer, Hy.....	60	Private.....	L	1st Ill. Art.....	Consumption.
13	Bergman, H.....	58	Private.....	D	1st U. S. R. C.....	Wounds.
13	Beckerle, Jno.....	58	1st Sergt.....	E	2d U. S. R. C.....	Heart disease.
13	Boernstein, G. P.....	64	1st Lieut.....	D	2d Mo. V. Inf.....	
			2d Lieut.....	F	41st Mo. V. Inf.....	Cancer.
13	Bayer, Jno. B.....	57	Private.....	I	181st Ohio Inf.....	Dropsy.
13	Brophy, Rich.....					
16	Brown, Chas.....					
23	Bronson, S. P.....					
42	Burton, Geo.....					
48	Barr, J. A.....	53	Private.....		24th Mo. Inf.....	Heart disease.
119	Ballard, Jos. M.....					
131	Bradshaw, J. C.....					
131	Brownell, B. H.....					
215	Burke, Seward.....					
245	Boltz, Henry.....	78	Private.....	D	21st Mo. Inf.....	Pneumonia.
296	Blackton, W. R.....					
320	Baer, Jacob.....					
326	Bruner, Frank.....		Private.....	M	2d Mo. Art.....	
343	Benton, A.....	63	Private.....	F	62d Mo. Art.....	Pneumonia.
359	Brooks, Wade.....					
374	Bardow, Eli.....	46	Private.....	A	20th Ill. Vol.....	Paralysis.
504	Barnes, Jas.....	39	Private.....	I	3d Ill. Cav.....	Cancer.
26	Bigelow, S. S.....	57	Lieut.....	C	15th N. Y. Cav.....	Consumption.
530	Brvant, Spencer.....	58	Private.....	E	116th N. Y. Cav.....	
532	Blivins, J. M.....					
1	Callaghan, Jno.....	51	Private.....	C	45th Ill. Inf.....	
1	Cline, H. I.....	73				Phthisis Pulmona.
13	Coy, Jno. H.....	75	Private.....	D	39th Mo. Vol.....	Old age.
36	Chitter, Thos. C.....	85	Private.....	C	7th Mo. Cav.....	Old age
46	Cunningham, I. R.....	54	Private.....	H	110th Ill. Inf.....	Typhoid fever.
48	Corkery, Edw.....	54	Private.....	E	187th N. Y. Inf.....	Army diarrhoea.
53	Campbell, Wm.....	49	Private.....	C	33d Iowa.....	Heart failure.
54	Coffman, J. E.....	63	Private.....	H	8th Iowa Cav.....	Hemorrhage.
54	Cummings, Wm.....					
90	Clark, Geo. M.....	55	Private.....	N	15th Kan. Cav.....	Consumption.

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No. Post.	NAME.	Age.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
131	Catlin, C. W.					
172	Currier, J. B.	63	Private	C	6th Tenn.	Dropsy.
268	Cunningham, J. F.	75	Surgeon		35th E. M. M.	Pneumonia.
268	Cunn'h'm, J. F., Jr	47	Private	H	35th E. M. M.	Apoplexy.
289	Culbert, F. A.					
290	Calkins, Jas. B.	64	Act. As.Sg		U. S. Navy	Paralysis.
330	Clemens, Jos.					
537	Case, Sam. S.					
2	Dolton, Hy. S.	49	Private	B	30th Mo. Inf.	Rheumatism.
6	Donahue, Thos.	64	Private	B	26th Ohio Inf.	Old age.
25	Deavault, Phil					
57	Dongar, E. F.	59	Corporal	G	138th Ill. Vol.	Asthma.
90	Dodd, Jno. W.	54	Sergeant	H	10th Ill. Cav.	Consumption.
240	Duncan, Geo. W.	74	1st Lieut.	A	52d E. M. M.	Consumption.
312	Duke, Wm					
326	Difani, Ben	60	Private	K	47th Mo. Vol.	Heart failure.
343	Duncan, Jerry					
348	Downie, Chas					
391	Dyer, Franklin					
488	Dougherty, Sid.	55	Private	B	29th Mo. Inf.	White swelling.
1	Edgar, W. M.	54	Lt. Col.		18th Mo. Inf.	Chro. Interest Nep
2	Engelbrecht, Hy.	61	Private	K	12th Mo. Inf.	Pneumonia.
13	Eberhardt, J. G. R'v	68	Captain	D	37th Ohio Inf.	Liver complaint.
76	Elzin, Wm					
110	Enoch, B. M.					
168	Estes, J. M.	63	Private	H	6th Ky. Inf.	Heart trouble.
273	End, Gabriel	56	Private	C	64th Mo.	Pneumonia.
1	Fritche, C. R.	66	2d Lieut.	E	U. S. R. C.	Valo insufficiency.
45	Foster, W. B.					
57	Fagan, Jas.					
141	Finney, J. S.					
158	Finney, J. W.					
175	Fesperman, A. H.					
374	Funk, Edgar					
496	Fischbeck, Fred	59	Private	E	5th U. S. R. C.	Consumption.
531	Falgate, Thos					
1	Garvey, J. J.		Private	D	39th Mo. Inf.	
1	Gross, A.		Private	C	4th Mo. Inf.	
1	Guckes, G.		Sergeant	D	9th Ill. M. Inf.	
13	Geiss, Frank					
13	Gerlach, Ferd					
20	Gardner, Wm					
21	Gover, Cyrus	44	Private	H	143d Ill. Inf.	
131	Granert, J. M.					
476	Gaitting, Jno.	55	Private	D	4th Mo. Cav.	Drowned.
514	Gant, Jno.					
1	Hartman, C. A. G.	52	Private	D	31st N. Y. Inf.	
				B	2d N. Y. Cav.	Phthisis pulmo'llis.
2	Hager, Aug.					
2	Henze, Hy					

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No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
3	Hitch, Alfred G	51	Private	E	3d Mass. Inf	
13	Holthaus, Arnold	58	Private	C	3d U. S. R. C	Dropsy.
13	Herder, Val	54	Private	C	Stuarts Cav	Pneumonia.
13	Hedinger, Jno					
43	Hotbauer, Aug					
53	Hendrikson, Wm					
110	Hillen, H. M.					
128	Harris, H. H	53	Corporal	C	26th Ill. Inf	Murdered.
173	Haupt, Jno					
179	Hendricks, Jas. A.	75	Sergeant	I	39th Mo. Inf	Pneumonia.
221	Hunt, Michael	50	Private	F	39th Mo. Inf	Consumption.
233	Hoseily, Hy					
279	Hughes, Jno	48	Private	K	1st M. S. M.	Fever.
287	Haynes, H. O					
343	Hembrick, Wm					
359	Holloway, Jno					
398	Hilton, Charles					
496	Hemman, G	58	Private	G	41st Mo. Inf	Debility.
510	Halley, Dan'l	48	Bugler	B	11th Mo. Cav	Pneumonia.
12	Jones, Alexander		1st Lieut	G	59th Ind. Inf	
13	Jacobs, Philip					
69	Johnson, E. H	66	Captain	A	6th Mo. S. M	Heart failure.
322	Jackson, Isaac	78	Private	C	76th E. M. M	Catarrh.
425	Jenkins, Fredk					
466	Jones, Sam	68	Private	F	150th Ill. Inf	Heart trouble.
532	Jenkins, David F	56	1st Sergt	H	3th Ind. V. C	Heart trouble.
1	Kunth, Leo		1st, 2d Lieut		2d Mo. Inf	
2	Kahn, Bernhard	67	Private	E	2d Mo. Inf	Bright's disease.
13	Kalb, Guido	62	Corporal	C	3d U. S. R. C	Liver complaint.
13	Krieg, Michael	67	Private	K	1st U. S. R. C	Dropsy.
13	Kaemerer, Jacob					
21	Kuch, Wm					
107	Kuenze, Chris					
268	Kirkpatrick, M. O.	48	Musician	E	18th Ill. Inf	Paralysis.
276	Kirschoff, Fred	67	Private		Mo. H. G.	Accident.
302	Knight, Moses					
332	Krog, Henry	67	Sergeant	G	U. S. R. C	Pneumonia.
386	Kindle, Enoch					
447	Kallmeyer, F					
496	Kunst, Chas	63	Sergeant	B	4th U. S. R. C	Pneumonia.
496	Kreh, Jno					
1	Levoi, I. B.		Private	C	71st N. Y. Inf	
1	Link, Ernst		Private	I	2d U. S. R. C	
1	Luetkemeyer, C	55	Private	K	2d Mo. Lt. Art.	
				I	40th Mo. Inf	Heart disease.
2	Luckner, Phil	63	Lieut	H	17th Pa. Cav	Apoplexy.
13	Luenger, Fred	64	Private	E	2d U. S. R. C	LaGrippe.
13	Leopold, Mathis	67	Sergeant		2d Mo. Inf	Bright's disease.
13	Luther, Gustave					
20	Lansdown, Wm					

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No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
29	Lowe, Jno. A.	68	Captain	A	30th Mo. S. M.	Heart disease.
65	Lytte, David Y.					
78	Loebenstein, B.					
219	Lebow, J. W.	68	Private	D	6th Mo. Cav.	LaGrippe.
261	Lewis, Jno.	52	Private	C	8th Mo. S. M. C	Typhoid Pneumo.
276	Lehr, Jno. M.	63	Wagoner	K	98th O. V. I	
391	Luck, Jno. H.	53	Corporal	B	5th M. S. M.	Consumption.
425	Luttrell, Silas	77	Private	D	Osage M. H. G.	Old age.
1	McCannan, Jno	53	Sergeant	I	5th O. Cav.	Hydrothorax.
1	Mack, F. B.		Private	C	1st Mo. Art.	
1	Menaugh, W. T.	65	Sergeant	B	116th Ill. Inf.	
1	Mueller, Fred.	60	Private	B	1st Mo. Lt. Art.	Hypertophy Heart
7	Mallory, Joel.	61	Private	A	1st M. S. M.	Cars.
11	Machl, Jno. G.					
13	Meinhardt, Hy	76	Private	F	2d U. S. R. C.	Cancer.
17	McPherson, A. A.					
43	Milliken, Sam	68	Com. Segt	A	26th Ohio	Old wounds.
53	Meyer, Ferd	56	Major	E	7th Mo. H. G.	Pneumonia.
81	Miller, Daniel	62	Com. Segt	F	158th Pa	Paralysis.
107	Mantner, Michael.	84	Private	K	3d Mo. Inf.	Old age.
110	Marrison, Geo.					
119	Marshall, Geo					
223	McElinney, Alex.					
279	Mackley, Jacob H.	57	Private	L	Merrill's Horse.	Chronic disease.
297	Mattock, Jesse H.	71	Private	H	63d M. E. M.	Dropsy.
326	Moore, Wm. J.	54	Private	K	47th Mo. Vol.	Consumption.
337	Myers, Jno.					
350	Middleton, David.	53	Private	A	2d Mo. L. A.	Apoplexy.
418	McConnell, Aug.		Private	G	65th	Typhoid fever.
435	Morgan, H. C.	61	Private	L	2d M. S. M. Cav	Dropsy.
496	Murnan, Geo.					
526	McMillan, Shelby					
530	Mitchell, Silas.	54	Private	B	50th	Rheumatism.
137	Neece, J. E.					
152	Nelke, Andrew	64	Lieut	I	30th Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
188	Northcott, B. F.					
245	Northcott, Ben. F.	74	Private	D	21st Mo. Inf.	Stomach trouble.
320	Nolte, Louis					
1	Powell, W. F.	70	Sergeant	D	40th Mo. Inf.	Cerebral Apoplexy
13	Pound, Richard	75	Private	E	22d Ill. Inf.	Debility.
13	Ploeser, Chris.	69	1st Lieut.	E	2d U. S. R. C.	Apoplexy.
13	Pfeifer, Jacob					
29	Peck, Benj. B.	65	Private	K	4th M. S. M.	Carbuncle.
45	Pendegast, Mart.	67	Private	F	48th Ill. Inf.	Old wounds.
53	Pilkington, J. M.	62	Private	E	40th E. M. M.	Softening of Brain
61	Patterson, Jno	56	Corporal	G	90th Ohio	Assassinated.
135	Porch, A. B.					
152	Paffrath, Charles.	85	Private	E	Pacific Bat	Old age.
227	Pfaff, Frederick	59	Corporal		Buell's Bat	Consumption.
245	Parrish, Jno	55	Private	E	21st Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.

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No. Post.	NAME.	Age.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
271	Peterson, Geo. W.					
332	Poppenhusen, H.	62	Private.....	I	3d Mo. Inf.....	Rheumatism.
425	Popplewell, Sov	74	Private.....	D	48th Mo. Inf.....	Heart failure.
6	Ritter, Jas. G. N.					
13	Rupp, Fred.					
13	Reeg, Louis	55	Private.....	B	5th Mo. Inf.....	Consumption.
23	Richardson, N. S.					
107	Rosenbach, Peter.					
173	Ridgerrodt, Christ					
178	Richards, Allan D	62	Captain.....	E	99th Ill. Vol.....	Wounds.
240	Runkle, Peter S.	53	Private.....	I	13th Mo. Cav.....	Pneumonia.
240	Rice, T. M.					
273	Roy, Chas. F.	50	Private.....	C	47th Mo. Inf.....	Pneumonia.
320	Rinchval, Louis					
343	Richards, Peter					
465	Richardson, J. M.					
1	Schlegel, Emil		Private.....	B	2d, 17th Mo. Inf.....	
1	Schweitzer, F.W.	51	Q. M. S.	H	4th N. Y. Cav.....	Cancer.
1	Soest, C. E.		Sergeant..	G	58th N. Y. Inf.....	
1	Sommers, P. C.	54	Trumpet'r		12th Ill. Cav.....	Mangled by cars.
4	Stewart, David		Private.....	D	3d U. S. R. C.....	Consumption.
13	Schumacher, P.	58	Private.....	C	15th Mo. Inf.....	Drowned.
13	Schaefer, Jno.					
23	Smith, Alvin S.					
23	Smith, T. A. H.					
29	Seeley, Horace B.	55	Captain.....	K	86th N. Y. Inf.....	Complications.
34	Shapley, C. H.					
36	Shay, J. B.	54	Corporal..	A	35th O. V. I.....	Bright's disease.
38	Slaughter, A. B.					
48	Smith, Jno.					
53	Snyder, Wm					
58	Stendcliffe, David					
78	Stewart, Henry		Private.....	B	28th Ill. Inf.....	Chronic diarrhoea.
81	Snody, Osburn					
96	Schurlock, Hugh A					
107	Schreiber, Wm	52	Sergeant..	M	7th Ill. Cav.....	Liver complaint.
180	Schoolez, Jos. P.					
185	Snedegar, Marion					
247	Street, Jona. B.	69	Private.....	D	Mo. Militia.....	Cancer.
276	Sappington, Jos.					
297	Stulee, Jas. M.	49	Private.....	I	48th Mo. Inf.....	Consumption.
313	Schull, Alfred					
320	Schroeder, Louis					
330	Stanley, Jos					
331	Schneider, Herm					
332	Schreiber, Eberh'd	66	Private.....	G	17th Mo. Inf.....	Pneumonia.
358	Scott, Josiah					
384	Stalker, Wm.					
390	Slinkard, Wm					
391	Sparks, B. F.	48	Private.....	D	5th M. S. M.....	Heart failure.

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No. Post.	NAME.	AGE.	RANK.	CO.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
433	Stevens, A. J		Sergeant	C, I	53d Ind.	
440	Steel, Jas. H			H	45th Mo. Inf	
496	Schmitt, Ignatz					
504	Stusher, Sim					
504	Simmons, C. L. E	56	Corporal	A	3d Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
25	Turner, Thos					
47	Thompson, Simon	60	Private	M	M. S. M	Diabetes.
189	Troxwell, W. H					
294	Taylor, B. F	75	Private	D	47th Ky. Inf	
469	Todd, Wm	54	Private	F	9th M. S. M	Blood poison.
107	Utrecht, Fred	50	Private	H	O.V. Inf	Heart disease.
1	Volkmet, Jno		Private	C	4th U. S. R. C	
58	Vashil, Garret					
63	VanMetre, A					
215	Vaugh, Jas. E					
1	Wachter, E.		Lieut	B	5th Mo. Inf	
1	Weigel, Ph. F	81	Captain	F	3d U. S. R. C	Old age.
1	Williams, E. J		Private		Freemont's B. G	
1	Willich, Louis		Private	B	2d N. Y. Inf	
4	Wheeler, Jas. F		Q. M. S.		49th Mo. Vol	General debility.
5	Waggerman, Chas	68	Private	E	7th Mo. Cav	General debility.
11	Weiderman, Chris					
13	Wander, Chas					
13	Weber, Geo.	52				
13	Wilhelm, Jacob					
48	Winfrey, James	66	Private	D	Osage Regt	Pneumonia.
53	Wine, Jno. A.	50	Private	D	73d Ohio	Consumption.
65	Wilkinson, Wm					
107	Wolf, Jacob					
131	Winslow, W. A					
131	Wetherill, W. D					
131	Waters, Jno					
135	Woodsworth, J. D.	72	Private	B	43d Wis	Paralysis.
145	Williams, Wm	43	Private	N	3d Mo. Cav	Rheumatism.
189	Welch, A. B	81	Private	B	7th Mich. Inf	Blood poison.
232	White, Thos					
240	White, Jno. W.					
282	White, Wm					
330	Woblery, Jno. J					
882	Wilkins, Austin					
444	Wesseling, R.					
496	Willman, Jos.	51	Private	F	1st Mo. Lt. Art	Suicide.
526	Whitscomb, C. S	77	Private	A	1st Mo	Fever.
298	Weber, Wm	56	Private	E	15th N.Y. Hy. Art	Suicide.
1	Yates, J. H.	73	Private	M	2d Ia. Cav	Albuminuria.

COMMITTEES.

On Department Commander's address:

George W. Martin, Post 57; Charles W. Whitehead, Post 8; Nelson Cole, Post 1; W. F. Chamberlain, Post 43; Louis Grund, Post 13.

Department Commander Louis Benecke resumed the chair and announced the following committees:

On reports of Senior and Junior Vice Department Commander, Medical Director and Chaplain:

Jos. A. Wherry, Post 444; C. W. Barstow, Post 131; M. G. Netherton, Post 222.

On report of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General:

J. F. Nichols, Post 392; E. S. Gurney, Post 76; Frank P. Becker, Post 13.

On report of Department Inspector:

Arthur Dreifus, Post 1; W. F. Henry, Post 3; Alvin Haynie, Post 329.

On Resolutions:

A. E. Cook, Post 131; Thomas W. Evans, Post 7; E. J. Smith, Post 53; F. M. Sterrett, Post 1.

On Woman's Relief Corps:

J. T. Dew, Post 3; T. J. Ferril, Post 7; W. S. Betts, Post 5; J. P. Platt, Post 33.

The Department Commander: The next order of business is the reception of communications.

Comrade Henry, Post 3, moved that all resolutions (except those of a nature requiring immediate action) be referred to the committee on resolutions.

Seconded by Comrade Briggs and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General read communication, being application for reinstatement of Post 174:

HANNIBAL, MO., May 20, 1896.

Louis Benecke, Department Commander:

SIR:—In behalf of Major Hiram Gavitt Post No. 174 of the G. A. R., Department of Missouri, and ourselves as its officers, which has been suspended under the circumstances known to you and to the Council of

Administration over which you presided. We most respectfully make application to be re-instated as a Post in good standing, and in so doing assign these reasons:

1. Our Post nor the undersigned never meant to disobey intentionally an order, rule or regulation of our noble Army.
2. We have loyally and obediently obeyed the order of the Council of Administration in suspending our Post.
3. We love our comrades, our organization, its Commander and its officers of the G. A. R., and
4. We desire to be with you all heart and soul, and as becomes good soldiers, to obey your orders.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

R. ALBERT, Commander.

E. H. DAY, Adjutant.

Comrade Scott, Post 131, moved that the rules be suspended and the petition granted.

Seconded by Comrade Hagerty, Post 131.

Comrade Haynie, Post 329: Under the rules it is necessary to refer this to the committee.

The Department Commander: That is right, the communication will be referred to the committee on resolutions.

The Department Commander: We will proceed to the next order of business—reports of committees.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: Pending report of the committee on resolutions, I move that the comrades of the Fredericktown Post be permitted to take their seats here, but not to vote until the question of their reinstatement has been passed on by that committee.

Seconded.

The Department Commander: The question is on the adoption of the motion by Comrade Cole, that the representatives of Post 174 be admitted to the floor without voting.

Put to vote and lost.

Comrade Reynolds, Post 304: I move that the matter of petition by this Post be referred to the committee on Commander's address.

Seconded and carried.

Comrade Sterrett, Post 1, moved an adjournment until 2 o'clock p. m.

Seconded and carried.

Recess was here taken until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opened by song by the Ransom Howlers: "We've drunk from the same canteen," and "Flag of the Union forever."

The Department Commander: At the last Encampment you adopted as the daughter of this Department a young lady, and as she is with us at this time, I will take the liberty of introducing her to you right now.

Recitation by Miss Eldridge: "Halting, limping, bending o'er are the heroes of the days before," etc.

In response to a hearty encore, Miss Eldridge also rendered the following:

"I dreamed a dream in the midst of my slumbers,
And as fast as I dreamed it was counted in numbers," etc.

Comrade Martin in the chair.

Report of Committee on Department Commander's Address:

To the officers and members of the Fifteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

We, your committee on the report of the Department Commander commend the patriotic sentiment expressed therein. We congratulate this Encampment upon the organization of new Posts and addition of new members during the past year.

We endorse the recommendations of the Commander as to the reunions and would recommend that action be taken therein in General Orders by future Commanders. We concur with the recommendations of the Department Commander and Past Department Commander Whitehead, in regard to the financial affairs of the Department, and recommend that this Encampment take action on the lines suggested by Past Department Commander Whitehead, with the exception of the appointment of three trustees by the Council of Administration, which appointment in our judgment should be made by the present Department Commander.

In the matter of the discipline of Post 174, Fredericktown, your committee recognizing the fact that the Grand Army of the Republic should take no part in politics as an organization, we commend the prompt and decisive action of the Department Commander and

Council of Administration in suspending said Post. But in view of the fact that said Post has made application for re-instatement and manifested a proper regret for its ill advised action, we recommend the re-instatement of said Post by this Encampment, and that the comrades of Post 174 be invited to come and sin no more.

GEO. W. MARTIN,
NELSON COLE,
C. W. WHITEHEAD,
LOUIS GRUND,
W. F. CHAMBERLAIN,
Committee.

Comrade Scott, Post 131, moved the adoption of the report and the discharge of the committee.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Department Commander in the chair.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131, moved the appointment of a committee of one or two to wait on the delegates from Post 174 to inform them as to the status of affairs in regard to the re-instatement of the Post.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Committee appointed by the chair:

Thos. H. Hagerty, Post 131; R. R. Scott, Post 131;
Alvin Haynie, Post 329.

The Assistant Adjutant General read the following telegram:

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 20, 1896.

To Louis Benecke, G. A. R. Encampment:

To you and the boys greeting. When you sing "Marching through Georgia," whoop her up that we may catch the echo of the high notes.

BURTON & TRACY.

Calls for Comrade David Murphy, who sang: "Marching through Georgia."

Comrade Sterrett, Post 1: I desire to move, in answer to the telegram just a few moments ago received, that the Assistant Adjutant General be requested by this Department to send the following telegram: "Burton and Tracy, Washington, D. C.: All right, we sang it. Did you hear the high chords?"

Seconded and carried.

Comrade Scott, Post 131: Your committee take a great deal of pleasure in introducing to you these members of Post 174, who say that they will not sin any more. (Applause.)

Calls for Comrade Cahoon.

Comrade Cahoon, Post 174: Department Commander and Comrades: In behalf of my Post I thank you for our re-instatement in the brotherhood—the dearest, the sweetest brotherhood beneath the sun. (Applause.) For there is no tie—even the mystic tie of Masonry is not so sweet—as the tie that binds button to button. (Applause.) Now, comrades, the action on the part of our Post was a well-meant intention on the part of my comrades to do me a service. I will not recount all the circumstances, but suffice it to say that when I saw it, it pleased me very much. It did not occur to me that we had violated the rules of our noble organization; but when it did occur, and the Commander very politely made it apparent to us that the violation had taken place, then, like good soldiers, we submitted ourselves to his jurisdiction, and to the jurisdiction of the Council of Administration. * * * I want to give this Department, to-day, a message that came to me day before yesterday as I left home. It was a message from Comrade King, one of the members of the suspended Post. There he lies at home, the victim of cancer that is eating into his very jugular vein and that has destroyed his eye, and has gone so far beneath his chin that in order to eat he has to hold his hand thus [indicating] to his face. That man said: "Tell the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Department of Missouri that I have not long to live (and he has not; perchance on the morrow he may lie cold and silent in the embrace of death); entreat our comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic not to let me, as a member of Maj. Hiram Gavitt Post, die in the cold, and not a member in good standing in the Grand Army of the Republic." (Applause.) I can now say to him, as I shall say to him: "All is well for you." And now, Commander and comrades, while I know, and you all know, we cannot say a word of politics in this organization, permit me to finish the story of Comrade King.

Twelve months ago he was drawing a pension of \$12 a month. He was stricken with that cancer; knowing how incur-

able it was, we rallied around him and told him that he must make application for an increase. * * * We made application for his increase. Our local Pension Board, composed though it is of ex-Confederate soldiers, gave him a magnificent report; it went to a man known in this world by the name of Lochren; it came back, but instead of that man's pension being increased it was decreased from \$8 to \$6 a month. Is it any wonder, in the presence of such things as that, that the Grand Army boys of Southeast Missouri stand shoulder to shoulder and with elbows so close that we can feel our mutual heart-throbbings?

The Department Commander: We are under the head of reports of committees, if there are any others ready to report.

Sherman Monument Committee submitted the following report:

To the Fifteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

Your committee appointed by the Department Encampment to take proper steps to secure contributions from the comrades and Posts of this Department to assist in the erection of a suitable monument to the memory of our late eminent and gallant comrade, Gen. Wm. T. Sherman, respectively report as follows: There has been pledged to the object represented by your committee by the Department of Missouri \$1,000, by Ransom Post of St. Louis \$1,000, and various small amounts by a few Posts throughout the Department, subject to the call of this committee; but owing to the exigencies of the times and to the continued inactivity of the Citizens' Sherman Monument Committee of the city of St. Louis, to which your committee is tributary, your committee have deemed it still inexpedient to make any formal call upon the various Posts of this Department for special pledges or contributions to the object represented by your committee, and therefore report progress.

GEO. W. BAILEY,
JOHN E. PHELPS,
THOMAS W. EVANS,
F. M. STERRETT,
WILLIAM WARNER,
Committee.

Upon motion of Comrade Cole the report was received and the committee continued.

Comrade Wherry, Post 444: The committee to whom was referred the report of the Chief Mustering Officer, Chaplain, and Surgeon, are ready to report.

Department Commander:

Your committee to whom was referred the reports of the Chief Muster Officer, Chaplain and Surgeon, beg leave to report that they have considered the same, and approve and commend the work of each.

JOS. A. WHERRY,
CHAS. W. BARSTOW,
M. G. NETHERTON,

Committee.

Comrade Pollard, Post 131, moved that the report be received and adopted and committee discharged.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Gurney, Post 76, read report on Assistant Adjutant General's report, and Assistant Quartermaster General's report.

To the Department Commander and Comrades of the Fifteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri:

In passing upon the report of the Assistant Adjutant General your committee desires to commend that officer for his concise and correct report and the apparent care in its preparation. His suggestion that the most rigid economy in the financial affairs of the Department meets with our hearty approval, and we recommend that as far as possible it be carried out. The Grand Army being the first to feel the depression in business, and let us hope it will be the first to recover.

Very respectfully submitted.

E. S. GURNEY,
J. F. NICHOLS,
FRANCIS P. BECKER.

Motion was made that this report be received and adopted and the committee discharged.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Assistant Adjutant General suggested that it would be necessary to nominate delegates to the National Encampment to-day in order that the tickets might be printed for use of the comrades by to-morrow.

The Department Commander announced the following named comrades as trustees for the fund known as the Phelps loan:

Nelson Cole, Post 1.
Chas. W. Whitehead, Post 8.
J. L. Briggs, Post 14.

Comrade Scott, Post 131, moved that we now proceed to the nomination of delegates to the National Encampment to be held at St. Paul next fall.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Scherer, Post 13, moved that nominating speeches be limited to one minute.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

The following is a list of nominations for delegates to the National Encampment :

- GEO. J. BAER, Post 4, Kansas City.
- A. W. ST. JOHN, Post 16, Carthage.
- LOUIS BURKHART, Post 393, Milford.
- JOHN C. BENSIEK, Post 2, St. Louis.
- HORACE P. PORTER, Post 440, Foster.
- V. J. MATHEWS, Post 1, St. Louis.
- R. R. SCOTT, Post 131, St. Louis.
- ALBERT GORTY, Post 168, Braymer.
- C. N. BURNHAM, Post 17, Cameron.
- JAMES H. READING, Post 384, Osceola.
- WM. NIEHAUS, Post 107, St. Louis.
- T. H. HAGERTY, Post 131, St. Louis.
- WM. COY, Post 182, St. Joseph.
- HY. GLAHN, Post 36, Clarence.
- GEO. HALL, Post 72, Trenton.
- C. W. COCHRAN, Post 221, Novelty.
- W. F. HENRY, Post 3, Kansas City.
- H. E. ROBINSON, Post 21, Maryville.
- J. W. ELDRIDGE, Post 69, Springfield.
- ADAM THEIS, Post 43, Hannibal.
- JERE T. DEW, Post 3, Kansas City.
- W. S. BETTS, Post 5, Moberly.
- PETER BOBE, Post 13, St. Louis.
- G. W. EDWARDS, Post 343, St. Louis.
- WM. RONEY, Post 76, Kidder.
- J. T. BIRDSEYE, Post 26, Nevada.
- CHAS. BURGE, Post 23, Macon.
- JNO. W. TOPPASS, Post 29, Chillicothe.
- GEO. W. McLOUGHLIN, Post 68, Green Ridge.
- J. B. BROOKS, Post 6, Jefferson City.

FRED SHEIB, Post 407, Conway.
 LOUIS FISCHER, Post 128, Salem.
 M. G. NETHERTON, Post 222, Bancroft.
 H. S. CARROLL, Post 291, Clarksville.
 W. H. MENGEL, Post 276, Clarksburg.
 D. W. FOLLETT, Post 18, Powersville.
 JNO. MCELROY, Post 391, Bowling Green.
 JERRY McDONALD, Post 42, Macon.
 I. B. MORGAN, Post 263, Cuba.
 W. A. HEINEMAN, Post 496, St. Louis.
 G. N. SAMSON, Post 110, Kahoka.
 J. C. KISKADDON, Post 332, Washington.

It being announced that Past Commander Comrade William Warner would be at Hannibal at 3:30 p. m., the Department Commander appointed the following comrades as a committee to escort him to the encampment:

James, Post —; Hess, Post 23; Davis, Post 4; Burge, Post 23; Wherry, Post 444.

Comrade Cramer, Post 179, moved that the sixteen receiving the highest number of votes be declared the delegates, and those receiving the next highest the alternates.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Scott, Post 131, placed in nomination Comrade A. J. Smith for delegate at large, and Comrade Nelson Cole as alternate at large.

Comrade E. J. Smith, Post 53: I believe the law of the order is that Comrade Cole, by virtue of being Past Senior Vice Commander in Chief, is *ex-officio* member of the National Encampment.

The Department Commander: That is correct.

Comrade Smith, Post 53: That being so, it seems to me ridiculous to elect him as alternate, and that simply means a seat vacant.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I would withdraw my name. I did not notice that I had been nominated.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I move that we now proceed, by acclamation, to nominate and elect delegate and alternate at large.

The Department Commander: Before we can proceed with that it seems to me we must get through with the nomination of candidates.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I will withdraw that motion.

The Department Commander: Nominations are still in order.

It was moved that nominations for delegates to the National Encampment close.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I now renew my motion that we proceed to elect a delegate and alternate at large, by acclamation.

Seconded.

Comrade Henry, Post 3, moved to amend by declaring Gen. A. J. Smith the delegate at large.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I accept the last amendment.

The Department Commander: The motion now is that Gen. A. J. Smith be declared the delegate at large.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I want to place in nomination Comrade Cook, of Ransom Post No. 131, as alternate at large.

Seconded.

Comrade Bailey, Post 131, moved that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the ballot of the Encampment for Comrade Cook as alternate at large.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Reynolds, Post 304: I now move that the fifteen receiving the highest vote be declared the delegates, and the fifteen receiving the next highest be declared the alternates.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade E. J. Smith, Post 53, announced that the President of the Chautauqua Assembly at Sedalia had called upon him, and through him had extended a hearty invitation to the Grand Army of the Republic of Missouri to visit that Assembly on the 24th of June next (1896), at which time Gov. McKinley is expected to be there, as negotiations are now in progress to that end. The Assembly to meet on June 24th and to continue for ten days.

The Department Commander: The next thing in order is the nomination and election of officers for the Encampment.

Comrade Cramer, Post 179: Department Commander and members of this Encampment: In keeping with the usual custom and usages of this Department, at each returning anniversary we "swap horses." And I am truly glad, in view of all the circumstances that surround us, that it is our rule, that it is our custom at each returning anniversary to elect a Department Commander for this Department. And I now give notice to ex-Department Commanders, that in view of the gray hairs I see in front of me, you need never expect to get a second term. (Applause.) This has been the rule, and I apprehend will continue to be the rule in this Department as long as the Grand Army of the Republic shall have an organization in our State. I am proud, I am glad to have the privilege, on this occasion, of nominating a comrade for Department Commander for the ensuing year, whose history with the Grand Army of the Republic in the State of Missouri is as old as the organization itself. I have the honor to nominate a man who was the first Post Commander in this State. I have the privilege of nominating a comrade who for seven long years was one of the most active, energetic and patriotic of the Grand Army boys of the State of Missouri in pushing forward the organization in our State. At the end of seven years he was honored with the position of Assistant Adjutant General of this Department. And by his zeal, by his patriotism, and by his good judgment, he has so well served you in that capacity that you continued him for eight long years as the Assistant Adjutant General of this Department. A man who is first in every element of the law of this State. And while we are proud to take up the history of the Department of Missouri, as we have appeared from time to time in the National Encampments, in the various marches that the Department of Missouri has taken part in, and the many encomiums that have been placed upon the Missouri Department, we owe it largely to the effective efforts of the comrade who during these eight years was Assistant Adjutant General of the Department of Missouri. I am glad to say to you gentlemen, that he is a comrade, who, when the blast of war struck over this land in 1861, when but a boy, went far down South as a soldier in the ranks, carrying a musket. After four years of service in the Army of the Potomac he returned home at the close of the

war bearing the rank of Lieutenant Colonel by his faithfulness and earnestness and patriotism. And I have thought that if there was one thing lacking in my life there was a little left out of my history as a soldier—that I have never been in Libby Prison. (I have often wished that I had been captured, so I might have that history.) I present to you a man who served in Libby Prison for long weary months as a prisoner of war. Whatever suffering or whatever trials may have come to us who were never in any of these prisons, I tell you we cannot imagine the suffering and trials of those who were in Libby Prison. Comrades of the Department of Missouri, I am proud to say that I am here to put in nomination a comrade that we all know so well that he need not hail from any Post, and I refer you to Comrade Thomas B. Rodgers. (Applause.) He has never appeared before this Department, until now, asking to be the chief executive of the Department of Missouri, and I believe that this Department will recognize his claim and elect him for the ensuing year. I thank you. (Applause.)

Comrade McCandless, Post 5: It gives me great pleasure to second the nomination of that veteran Grand Army man, whom we have known has served so well and so faithfully since the first organization of the Grand Army in Missouri. Comrade Rodgers needs no words of introduction, you all know it as well or better than I do, and the members of Lincoln Post are unanimous in support of Comrade Thomas B. Rodgers. (Applause.)

Comrade T. J. Ferril, Post 7: In behalf of Custer Post No. 7 I wish to second the nomination of Comrade Rodgers.

Comrade Haynie, Post 329, seconded nomination of Comrade Rodgers.

Calls for Comrade William Warner.

Comrade Warner, Post 8: Commander and Comrades: I am a little late getting in, but see I am in time for the ball. I don't know what you have been doing, and if it would not be impertinent for a newcomer I will bid you excuse me when I say that I am glad to rise to second the nomination of Comrade Rodgers for Department Commander. (Applause.)

Comrade Rodgers' nomination was also seconded by Ben Loan Post, No. 33, O. P. Morton Post, No. 14, and others.

Comrade E. J. Smith, Post 53: Commander and Comrades: There are some things connected with the Grand Army of the Republic that are a little sad, and one thing is the fact that we are compelled to choose between comrades. I wish that we could choose these men without any contest or opposition; but where there are so many men, all of whom are such grand comrades, and all fit for the choicest position in the gift of the Grand Army, we have to choose between them. Now, I love my comrades from St. Louis, all of them, but they have put upon us, to-day, a little matter I am sorry for—the alternative to choose between two of their comrades as to which one shall be Commander of this Department for the ensuing year. In looking at this matter I may be permitted to speak as the Rev. Doctor Barnes, an eminent Presbyterian, who, when the church divided, said that there was nothing to cause the division, but they would divide, and he must choose between the two parties, and he chose one. I am feeling that way on this occasion. As to Comrade Rodgers, why, he is a grand comrade. (Applause.) I heard about him long before I knew him. He was a member of Company G, Tenth Pennsylvania Reserves, when it first went out, and I had a cousin in the same company. He was born in the adjoining county to the one where I first saw the light, although it was one thousand miles from where I enlisted. He was a member of as grand a division of men as ever went to war on the planet. Nothing too much can be said of him; but I know another one, and whose name I shall present on this occasion for Department Commander, whose claims upon this Department I think at least equal. I know a man who as a young man, just about eighteen years of age, on the 10th day of May, 1861, when that magnificent soldier who commanded the old Third Corps, and left his leg at Gettysburg, was organizing what was known as the Excelsior Brigade in New York—this man, this young man, enlisted in the First Regiment of the Excelsior Brigade, the one commanded in person by Gen. Daniel E. Sickles. He went to the front with that regiment and served with it for two years, until he was discharged from it for promotion. And in the course of time, on one of the battlefields of Virginia, his blood ran out to enrich the soil of Old Virginia. He “faced the music.” Commander and Comrades, somebody

has undertaken to inquire into the record of my candidate in that regiment. I have in my hand the answer, and beg your indulgence while I read what the secretary of the association of that regiment says in regard to this comrade's record. He says "his record is excellent, and it cannot be disputed that he was with his regiment and participated in all the reconnoissances and battles and skirmishes up to May, 1863—among them the battle of Williamsburg; siege of Yorktown; battle of Fair Oaks; Seven Pines; Seven Days Battle before Richmond, and under fire every day, and no day when we did not lose some men; the Second Battle of Bull's Run; Chantilly and Fredericksburg." Commander, he was at his post like a little hero. The foregoing statement is true, and can be verified by various comrades. Then, comrades, he has something of a history in the Department of Missouri in the Grand Army of the Republic. He succeeded that magnificent first Commander of Ransom Post, No. 131, William T. Sherman. He took command of the Post when it had but a few, I think less than fifty members, and left it with over three hundred. In 1886, when the National Encampment met at San Francisco, he went there as the representative of the good people of St. Louis, and through his efforts more than those of any other one man, I think, the National Encampment was brought from San Francisco to St. Louis, and in 1887 we had that magnificent Encampment in St. Louis. And I tell you, comrades, wherever you go, the entertainment at the National Encampment in St. Louis is held up as the standard of entertainment; and in that entertainment he did as much as any one to assist in preparing for and entertaining the comrades who were so fortunate as to be able to be there and enjoy that hospitality. In the matter of raising funds for different objects, and especially for the Grant Monument (and especially, comrades, let me say that Missouri is proud that the first monument to that American soldier, and greatest man of modern times, was dedicated on the soil of Missouri). He raised, I believe, more money for that monument than any other one man. He is a comrade who has been successful in business; a man acquainted with all the "ins and outs" of business; a man who controls his time, and who is able to devote his time to the interest of the Grand Army of the Republic of Missouri, and is

willing to do so. Another thing, he is a member of Ransom Post; and without drawing any invidious comparisons, it is a fact that that Post has contributed quite as much as any other Post in the entire Department to bring the Department of Missouri up to the grand stand that it occupies among the various Departments of the Grand Army of the Republic. And that Post has not been honored especially by the Department Encampment. Comrade Rodgers is of Blair Post, and that Post has had the Department Commander for three years; and Comrade Rodgers, coming from that Post, as it has been stated here, has represented the Department of Missouri for eight years as its Assistant Adjutant General. And, furthermore, Ransom Post has never asked honors of this Department, I believe I am right in this, but I now have the honor to present this comrade, a member of Ransom Post, for your Department Commander. And, comrades, I believe it is fair that these honors should be passed around. And after stating these facts I present you the name of as grand a soldier, as grand a Grand Army man, and as complete a gentleman as there is within the boundaries of the State of Missouri, in the name of Comrade A. G. Peterson. (Applause.)

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: May I exhort a word or two? I am an humble man. I want to speak to my comrades. I am very glad of one thing, and that is this, that Missouri has no lack of good timber out of which to make good officers, either Department Commander, or Chaplain. (Applause.) Maj. Warner knows that very well. And I am so glad that no matter how the election turns we are going to have a Commander. And I am very glad that we do not have to import material in order to make Commanders. And, as has been stated, a choice has to be made; you cannot help it; you have to make a choice. There is a crisis coming in the State of Missouri. These comrades are growing older—so am I. We are dropping out; and there should be more activity on the part of officers, or they will be dropping out more and more. We have had some grand Commanders, but there are some parts of the State that have never seen the Department Commander; they don't know how he looks. Many of the Commanders could not get there; they have all done the very best that was in their power, under the

circumstances; but, in the future, if there is no more of activity there will be more of disintegration and falling out. Comrades are saying in different parts of the State: "Why don't you come up and help us; come up and get us to work." Now, sir, there are some men that can do that, and some that cannot. As a matter of fact, of the latter class, they do not command their time. They are good men, but they are under service— cannot control their own time, and therefore cannot give the proper and necessary work to Grand Army matters. Probably, some may say that the office of Commander don't require much time. My judgment is, that it requires all of a man's time. Now, there is the name of a candidate that has been placed before you, who owns his own time; he is under the dictation of no man; and a man who is willing to sacrifice his time in the interest of the Grand Army of the Republic of Missouri. There is not a little Post anywhere in the State of Missouri but what he would go to, if called upon, if elected, and I submit to your judgment whether that is not the character of Commander that our interests demand, and whether I am not talking to my comrades and friends just as a sensible man, as I hope I am. A Commander should be able to give his whole time to the work; and if there is a Post anywhere in the south, or southwest, or northwest, or any colored Post anywhere, that should say to the Commander "We would like to have you come down in our neighborhood and help us," that Commander is under obligations to go at once and give that Post all the assistance and encouragement possible. And this man whom I shall name has the power and the inclination to do it; he says he will. And his partner in business has agreed to forego his trip to Europe in order to help him carry out his obligations, if you want him. Let me ask you to take under favorable consideration the name of Comrade A. G. Peterson. (Applause.) And after he is elected, if he does not render you good service, you come to me next year. Now, comrades, do not understand me as reflecting on any other man. We cannot all be Commanders. I do not expect to be Commander myself. I will give you the reason why, and say publicly that I do not expect to be the Commander, I would rather be Chaplain. (Voice: Amen.) I can say honestly and sincerely that I think Comrade A. G. Peterson can

render you the best service as Commander, and I hope you will vote for him. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: I have the pleasure and honor of introducing to you the committee of ladies representing the Woman's Relief Corps.

Mrs. Briggs, President: I have the honor to be the bearer of greetings to you, and also give you an account of our work for the past year.

Department Commander, Louis Benecke, and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, Greeting:

Pursuant to custom, it becomes my duty and also my pleasure to transmit to you a report of what has been given by the Women's Relief Corps towards supplying the needs of unfortunate veterans and their dependent ones. I would have you know and appreciate the fact that this but partially measures the loyalty and devotion of the auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Cash expended for relief by various Corps..... \$1,757 00

Value of relief, other than money 1,678 00

Total \$3,430 00

Balance in the relief fund of the Corps, \$756.09.

Cash turned over to Posts, \$419.89.

Number of soldiers and members of their families assisted, 1,380.

The Department Relief Fund shows an expenditure of \$37.00 and a balance on hand of \$42.17.

While the reports of your various officers doubtless tell of the falling by the way of many a valiant comrade, let it be a consolation and a satisfaction that your auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps, has increased its membership to a gratifying extent during the past year, and may this growth in numbers be an expression of increased respect and honor towards the Union veteran.

May God bless the Grand Army of the Republic.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

(Signed)

ADA GOSS BRIGGS,
Department President.

Mrs. Scott, Moberly, Mo.: Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army: I hardly know what I could say that would be of interest to you, but I feel proud to know that our Department President deemed me a worthy representative to carry greetings from the Woman's Relief Corps to the Grand Army of the Republic in convention assembled.

I shall ever remember with pride and pleasure this occasion, that I was accorded the esteemed honor and privilege of visiting the chosen representatives of the noble organization of which we are auxiliary, and a representative remnant of the grandest army of the grandest country the bright sun ever shone on.

The report our worthy chairman has just submitted to your kind consideration is the result of much earnest labor rendered by willing hands, with a true spirit of love for the needy and destitute widows and orphans and comrades of the Grand Army. In looking over my husband's inspection report I find about 400 Posts in good standing, and a majority of them without Relief Corps. Now, comrades, you that belong to Posts that have no Corps, I earnestly appeal to you to encourage your wives and daughters to come to our assistance in a task that a queen might feel proud to participate in, and emulate the loyal and patriotic women of the war. Bright and shining on our resplendent annals shall appear the names of those thousands of noble, heroic and self-sacrificing women, who organized and carried forward to triumphant success a colossal sanitary and charitable scheme, the like of which in nobility of conception and perfection of execution the world had never before witnessed, and which carried all around the globe the fame and the name of the women of America. From camp to camp, from battlefield to battlefield, through the long and toilsome march by day and night, these sacred charities followed, and the prayers of the devoted and the true were with you through all dangers. Leagues and leagues separated you from home, but the blessings there invoked upon you hovered over and around you and sweetened your sleep like angels' visits.

While the soldier slept by his camp-fire at night, and, dreaming of home and what his valor would achieve for his country, uttered even in his dreams prayers for the loved ones who had made that home so dear to him; the mother, dreaming of her son, breathed at the same time prayers for his safety and for the triumph of his cause. The prayers and blessings of mother and son, borne heavenward, met in the bosom of their common God and Father. Comrades, your time is valuable, and we have performed the duty assigned to us. I shall return to our work, ever mindful and grateful for this grand privilege

and visit. May success attend your labors, and harmony, good will and true comradeship prevail to the end.

The Department Commander: In behalf of the members of the Encampment I desire to return our heartfelt thanks for the honor of your visit and the encouraging words that you have sent to the old boys.

Three cheers were given for the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, who withdrew from the Encampment.

Comrade Young, Post 496: I rise to second the nomination of Comrade A. G. Peterson for Department Commander. Without abating one jot in regard to the ability of his opponent, Col. Thomas B. Rodgers, we feel that in supporting Comrade Peterson we will be supporting a comrade who is in every way competent to fill the position for which he has been nominated. We believe that he will add honor to the State of Missouri as its Department Commander if he should be elected. And I feel that in electing him to that position, this Department would be honoring Ransom Post, one of the largest and best Posts in the State of Missouri, not only in the State but throughout the United States. (Applause.) We feel, therefore, that while we oppose Col. Rodgers, and desire the election of Comrade Peterson, we are not detracting from the merits and services of Comrade Rodgers, but that we are doing what we think will tend most to advance the interests of the Department of Missouri and of the Grand Army of the Republic in general. (Applause.)

Comrade Henry, Post 3, seconded nomination of Comrade Rodgers.

Comrade Martin, Post 57, seconded the nomination of Comrade Rodgers.

Comrade Niehaus, Post 107, seconded the nomination of Comrade Rodgers.

Comrade Birdseye, Post 26, seconded the nomination of Comrade Peterson.

Senior Vice Department Commander Briggs in the chair.

Comrade Maxwell, Post 1: Frank Blair Post No. 1 did not come to this Encampment to present the name of Comrade Rodgers or that of any other comrade of that Post; but since

Comrade Rodgers' name has been presented and seconded by so many Posts of this Department, in order that there may be no misunderstanding as to the attitude of Blair Post towards Comrade Rodgers, I am instructed, by the unanimous action of Blair Post, to cast our vote for Comrade Rodgers. (Applause.)

Comrade Curtice, Post 137, seconded the nomination of Comrade Peterson.

Comrade Bailey, Post 131: Department Commander: It may be somewhat of a surprise to some, Sir, to know that, as a member of this Department Encampment, I have in my hand a request signed by more than seventy-six and less than one hundred members of Ransom Post, who express their preference for a comrade for Department Commander other than the one from that Post whose name has been presented to you to-day - not by representatives of Ransom Post claiming to represent the majority sentiment of the Post, but, with one exception, by strangers to Ransom Post! I need to say but very little of this paper, except to say that it contains only names of members of Ransom Post, who, the certificates of the proper Post officers attached show, were in good standing yesterday. This paper contains no idle signatures. It contains the names of such men as Gen. Farrar, ex-United States Treasurer; Judge Thompson, ex-judge of the St. Louis Court of Appeals; Judge Withrow, present judge of the Circuit Court; Judge Peabody, of the St. Louis City Court, and in my other equally prominent members of Ransom Post. It contains the names of four Past Commanders of Ransom Post and two Past Commanders of other Posts but now members of Ransom Post. It contains the names of authors, lawyers, doctors, and judges, and business men—in fact, prominent representatives of almost every trade, profession, business and avocation conducted in the city of St. Louis. That candidate is named in the request, and perhaps that is the best way to have it presented to this Department - just as it reads:

To George W. Bailey, Department Inspector, or any other member of Ransom Post, also a member of the Department Encampment:

Dear Sir and Comrade: We, the undersigned members of Ransom Post, Department of Missouri, as expressive of our sentiments, hereby request you, in our behalf, and in behalf of what we deem the best interests of the Department, to present to the Department Encampment, for

Department Commander, the name of our true and tried and ever-faithful comrade, Thomas B. Rodgers.

(Applause.)

Comrade Martin, Post 57, moved that nomination for Department Commander close, and that we proceed to elect by ballot in the usual way.

Seconded.

Comrade Scott, Post 131, objected to the closing of the ballot.

The Chairman: It was moved and seconded that nominations close.

Comrade Martin, Post 57: I will withdraw the motion that nominations close.

Comrade Smith, Post 53: The paper that has been read here is the property of this Encampment, and I want to tell these comrades that Comrade Peterson can afford to let that personal fight that has been made on him go into the records of this Department, if the men who have signed that paper can afford to have it go into the record. (Applause.) And I ask the Commander to rule that that paper shall go into the record, and to see to it that Comrade Bailey hand it to the Adjutant General, and that it be placed in the record. I move you that the paper just read by Comrade Bailey be placed in the minutes of this Encampment, with the signatures; I mean the whole thing.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Scott, Post 131: I did not intend to say a single word about Comrade Peterson, but you have a paper there purporting to be signed by seventy, or less than one hundred members of Ransom Post. I supported Comrade Bailey two years ago for Department Commander; I could get one hundred to two hundred names in that Post that he was not the right man. All we want is fair play! I want to tell the members of this Department, right here, that we have indorsed Comrade Peterson, in a meeting of Ransom Post, two to one; and now this disreputable paper and contemptible fling comes up here—

Comrade Bailey: Department Commander: I make the point that such unjust reflections and such language—

The Chairman: Comrade Scott, you are out of order, sir.

This is not the proper place to wash the dirty linen of Ransom Post. (Applause.)

Comrade Martin, Post 57: I believe that matter has been sufficiently discussed, and I desire to renew my motion that nominations for Department Commander close, and that we proceed to ballot.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Chair appointed the following named tellers:

Thos. S. Maxwell, Post 1; T. H. Hagerty, Post 131; W. F. Henry, Post 3; E. J. Smith, Post 53; R. D. Cramer, Post 179.

Department Commander in the chair.

The Department Commander: While waiting for the count we may as well proceed with nominations for Senior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Mosman, Post 7, placed in nomination Comrade Thomas W. Evans, of St. Joseph, Mo.

Comrade Martin, Post 57, seconded nomination of Comrade Evans.

Comrade Alderman, Post 21, seconded nomination of Comrade Evans.

Comrade Sterrett, Post 1, seconded nomination of Comrade Evans.

Calls for song by Comrade Evans.

Comrade Evans, Post 7: If you vote on this question before I sing, I may be elected; but if you vote after I sing, I think very likely I will be defeated. (Laughter.)

Moved that nominations close, that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Evans as Senior Vice Department Commander.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Voice: Now sing your song.

Comrade Evans, Post 7: Until I heard the voice of my friend Mosman I did not know what a good fellow I was. (Laughter.)

Calls for song.

Song: "I have seen a little button in the lapel of the coat on the boys who wore the blue," etc.

The Department Commander: I will say that it has been the custom of the Grand Army of the Republic, ever since I have been connected with it, to confer the office of Junior Vice Department Commander on a comrade of the Post at the location where the Department Encampment is held.

Comrade Grund, Post 13, placed in nomination Comrade B. Knoepfel, of Post 43, for Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Sterrett, Post 1, moved that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Knoepfel for Junior Vice Department Commander.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

The tellers reported the vote for Department Commander:

Total number of votes cast	345
Necessary to a choice.....	173
Comrade Rodgers received	195
Comrade Peterson received	150

Comrade Peterson, Post 131: Department Commander: With my heart so full of emotion that it is a most difficult matter for me to find words in which to return to you my thanks for the great compliment you have paid me in having considered my name, I want to say that there is no man in the Department of Missouri who follows more readily the will of the majority than I do. There is no man in the Department of Missouri who will, this coming year, help more loyally Comrade Rodgers than I will. I move now that the election of Comrade Rodgers be made unanimous.

Seconded, put to vote and carried. Whereupon Comrade Rodgers was declared duly elected Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Calls for Comrade Rodgers.

Comrade Rodgers, Post 1: I would like to have somebody make a speech for me: I never was a speechmaker myself, and words fail me at the present time to express myself for the honor you have conferred upon me by placing me in this position. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. I will try, with the assistance that I know I will have, to hold up the banner of the Grand Army of the Republic, so that we may remain as we

have been in the past, one of the best Departments in the country. I appreciate the position taken by my opponent. We will all stand shoulder to shoulder all the way through. Now you will have to excuse me from making any more extended remarks at this time, except that you all know you have my heartfelt thanks.

Song by "Ransom Howlers," entitled "Rodgers is a jolly good fellow."

Comrade Sterrett, Post 1, moved that the Encampment adjourn until 10 a. m. to-morrow.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

MORNING SESSION, FRIDAY, MAY 22, 1896.

The Encampment was called to order by the Department Commander at 10 o'clock a. m., and opened with prayer by Chaplain Calland.

The Department Commander announced nominations in order for Medical Director.

Comrade Dr. J. F. Nichols, Post 392, Southwest City, was nominated.

Comrade Henry, Post 3: I rise to second the nomination of Dr. Nichols. He served during the war in what is known as the "Blind Half Hundred," or the Fiftieth Illinois; and any one who has read the history of that regiment knows that any one who served with that regiment during the war, and came out and was honorably discharged, is worthy the confidence of any comrade. Dr. Nichols has settled down in the western part of the State. The only complaint that they have to make of him is that his patients all get well, and they are obliged to kill somebody in order to have a funeral. (Laughter.)

It was moved that the nominations close, and that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Dr. J. F. Nichols for Medical Director.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Department Commander announced nominations for Department Chaplain in order.

Comrade W. McWalzer: I take pleasure in putting in nomination my old friend that I have known so long, Comrade Hagerty, of Post 131, as Chaplain of this Department. I have known Comrade Hagerty for a good many years.

Voice: Everybody knows him.

Comrade Davis, Post 4: I rise to second the nomination of Comrade Hagerty.

It was moved that nominations close, that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to

cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Hagerty for Department Chaplain.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Calls for Comrade Hagerty.

Voice: We would like to know who he is. (Laughter.)

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: Now, comrades, if you will just be as unanimous and as good during this year as you have in this, I will not have to say very much about purgatory for the next twelve months. But now, comrades, let me say to you, honestly, do not consider this office as a sinecure; I beg of you not to think that. I am glad to believe that you do not; and I want to say to you now, while I thank you for the expression of your confidence, that if I did not think the services of as feeble a comrade as I am, might, in some degree, be beneficial to your welfare, I would say at once that I will not serve. But I believe that I am of some service to my comrades. Ransom Post I show as my sample of home work (laughter); then I direct a portion of my attention to Lyon Post, and Shaw Post also. If I can only extend the work throughout the Department, I will be satisfied. (Voice: What about Blair Post?) I beg pardon of Blair Post. I am thankful to the comrades of St. Louis for the courtesies they have shown me. I am glad that they stand by me, and I will stand by them to the last. Now, comrades, let us all try to be good. I hope we will, and we will try and meet up at St. Paul, and finally we will meet at— (Voice: St. Peter's, above.)

Comrade Ferril, Post 7: I hope the comrades will have the prayers of the newly elected Chaplain that our St. Louis comrades may come up here next year dwelling in the unity of the spirit and in the bonds of peace. (Laughter.)

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I rise to a point of order. What is the order of business we are under?

The Department Commander appointed the following comrades a committee to escort Commander in Chief Walker into the Encampment:

Charles W. Whitehead, Post 8; J. L. Briggs, Post 14; Nelson Cole, Post 1; N. W. Taylor, Post 131.

The Department Commander: The next order of business is the election of the Council of Administration.

Comrade Maxwell, Post 1: I have been instructed by the delegates of Blair Post to present to this Encampment the name of A. O. Engleman as a member of the Council of Administration.

Comrade Carter, Post 7, placed in nomination Comrade A. C. Mosman, Post 7.

Comrade Pollard, Post 131, placed in nomination Comrade N. W. Taylor of Post 131.

Comrade Scott, Post 131, placed in nomination Comrade Joseph A. Wherry, Post 444.

Comrade Louis C. Hesse, Post 13, nominated.

It was moved that nominations close.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Reynolds, Post 304, moved that as there are only five nominations, that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to cast the vote of the Department for the five nominees.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Reynolds, Post 304: In the confusion attending their effort to be re-instated as a Post in good standing, yesterday, the Fredericktown Post did not understand the order of business sufficiently to get in a nomination that they were very anxious to make on behalf of the whole of the southeast part of this State, and they now desire to make the nomination of a delegate to the National Encampment, and it will be necessary to suspend the rules in order that they may be permitted to do so. I move that the rules be suspended and Comrade Cahoon be permitted to make this nomination.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Cahoon, Post 174, placed in nomination Comrade Archibald H. Cashion, of Post 174, for delegate to the National Encampment.

Seconded.

It was moved, as the name does not appear in the printed list, that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Cashion as delegate at large.

Seconded; lost.

It was then moved that the Assistant Adjutant General be

instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Cashion as a delegate.

Comrade Reynolds, Post 304, moved that the motion to suspend the rules be laid on the table.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

The following named comrades were appointed tellers:

Charles W. Whitehead, Post 8; J. L. Briggs, Post 14; Nelson Cole, Post 1; M. Wetzler, Post 72; N. W. Taylor, Post 131.

At this stage in the proceedings the Commander in Chief, I. N. Walker, and Comrade William Warner, were escorted into and addressed the Encampment.

Comrade Henry, Post 3, requested the Encampment to substitute the name of Comrade Jere. T. Dew, Post 4, for that of his own (Comrade Henry) in the list of nominees to the National Encampment.

Comrade Henry also stated that he had the pleasure of meeting our old friend, Comrade Posgate, at St. Joseph, the other day, and Comrade Posgate, through him, presented his compliments to the comrades, and stated that he was on the eve of removing to the State of California, and that he should always hold his comrades here dearest in his memory.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131, moved that we proceed to fix the place for holding our next State Encampment.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Whereupon the following places were placed in nomination:

Warrensburg, Carthage, Lamar, and Columbia.

It was moved that nominations close.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

The following named comrades were appointed as tellers:

T. B. Tuttle, Post 16; — Walzer, Post 34; Abram Smith, Post —, and A. W. St. John, Post 16.

It was moved that it require the majority of the votes cast to select the place of the next Department Encampment.

Voices: No, no.

Comrade Wherry, Post 444, moved that the city receiving the highest number of votes be declared the city at which the next Department Encampment shall be held.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: Could you entertain a motion on a subject that will require but a few moments?

The Department Commander: I see no objection.

Comrade Hagerty: Miss Eldridge, the Daughter of the Department, will graduate next year from the Normal School, and as I understand she has no competitor for re-election, I will move that she be made the Daughter of the Department for next year.

Seconded, put to vote and carried by rising vote.

Comrade Eldridge, Post 69: I wish to offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, this Encampment is informed that it is the purpose of the members of this Department residing at Springfield, in the vicinity of the battlefield of Wilson's Creek, to hold a re-union on that memorable field on August 10th, 1897, the thirty-sixth anniversary of that battle; and whereas, it is, and always has been the policy of this Department to foster and encourage such meetings, as tending to produce sentiments of the warmest patriotism and enthusiastic love of country among our citizens; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Encampment indorse the movement to celebrate the anniversary of the battle of Wilson's Creek, by a re-union held upon that historic field, and bespeak for it the hearty support of the members of the Grand Army.

The Department Commander: This resolution will have to go to the Committee on Resolutions.

Comrade Murphy, Post 304: In view of the fact that the Committee on Resolutions have gone home, and in order that the members of this Encampment may give expression as to this resolution, I move that the rules be suspended and the resolution offered by Comrade Eldridge be acted on now.

Seconded, for the suspension of the rules, put to vote and carried.

Question on the adoption of the resolution.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General read programme of march to take place this afternoon.

Comrade Carter, Post 7, moved that all that took place yesterday in regard to the filing of the petition presented by Comrade Bailey be expunged from the record. I doubt the power of this Encampment to pass such a motion.

Comrade Pollard, Post 131: I don't know what that means. It seems to be a motion that all that part relating to the election of Department Commander be expunged.

Comrade Carter, Post 7: My motion is to expunge from the record all that portion, or motion, requiring the filing of the petition, or request of members of Ransom Post, in favor of Comrade Rodgers.

Comrade Pollard, Post 131: I don't know why that should be expunged. That was passed on yesterday, when nearly every seat in this hall was occupied by delegates. It occurs to me that after so many have gone for the noon recess it would be hardly proper to reopen the matter.

Comrade Bailey, Post 131: Department Commander: This is the first I have heard of this motion. I know nothing about the purpose of it, and have not been consulted concerning it, and I certainly shall oppose it. What occurred in this Department Encampment is the property of this Encampment and a part of its record. All I said about that paper, and what I read from that paper, is the property of this Encampment, but the paper itself belongs to me. I take this opportunity to further state that I regard the motion to file this paper with the Adjutant General as a mere request to do so; it could properly be nothing else. The object of the motion to file is apparent, but the motion will not reach it. I serve notice now, that such request will not be complied with, so that if you have any power to enforce the motion or think that this Encampment has any power to dispose of my private property without my consent, you can invoke that power before we adjourn. If, as a part of my speech, I read from a book, or make statements about a book, does that make that book the property of this Encampment? My watch now informs this Encampment, through me, that it is quarter past twelve o'clock. That statement is a part of my speech. The stenographer must take it down, and it must go in the record. But does that make my watch the property of this Encampment, and subject to be disposed of by motion? I submit that the same reasoning applies to my letter. Any comrade would be at liberty to challenge the authenticity of the book, the accuracy of the watch or the genuineness of the letter; but waiving such right, I earnestly submit, you were entitled to

what you got, and no more. Personally, I care nothing about this matter, but others having the courage of their convictions are not here to speak for themselves. Any comrade could have obtained this entire list of names by calling for their reading. It was a very simple matter if he knew how. But now that the names have been waived—and while I do not think that very many of the signers would thank me for placing them in the attitude of even appearing to evade public responsibility for expressing their honest views, outnumbering, as I believe they do, the “two-to-one majority” we have heard about—still I do not consider it in the nature of my trust to gratify mere idle curiosity, or to subject any one unnecessarily to annoyance or persecution, or to be made the target for malice or revenge, for recklessly daring to prefer a comrade for Department Commander other than the candidate selected by this Post delegation. Department Commander, I am quite sure that there is not one whose name appears on this “declaration of independence” who would wish anything said or done concerning it expunged from the record, not even the impotent motion ordering the letter to be surrendered. I trust the motion will not prevail.

Comrade ——, Post —: It seems to me that if there is anything wrong about this matter it is a matter that concerns Ransom Post, and if Ransom Post members here are satisfied with that record we have no right to exclude it.

Comrade Murphy, Post 304, moved that the motion be laid on the table.

Comrade Bailey, Post 131, seconded the motion. Carried.

Comrade Smith, Post 52: Knowing, as the Department Commander does, what time will probably be occupied by the parade, and when we could probably get back to business again, I would like to ask that we adjourn until that time.

The Department Commander: It is assured that the parade will occupy at least an hour and a half or two hours.

Report of tellers on vote for place at which next annual Encampment is to be held:

Warrensburg	147
Carthage	84
Columbia	11
Lamar	10

Comrade St. John, Post 16, moved that the vote be made unanimous in favor of Warrensburg.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

On motion of Comrade Smith, Post 53, seconded by Comrade Pollard, Post 131, recess was taken till 4 p. m.

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AFTERNOON SESSION, MAY 21, 1896.

The Department Commander in the chair:

Report of Committee on Department Inspector's report:

Department Commander:

Your Committee on Report of Department Inspector respectfully report that they have considered the matter for which they were appointed. Your committee read with much interest and satisfaction the very excellent report of Department Inspector, Jno. W. Scott, and we highly commend it to the careful perusal of the comrades of this Department as showing a painstaking zeal for the good of the order and untiring devotion to duty in the service of his comrades. Comrade Scott is entitled to the thanks of this Department for the able and zealous manner in which he has performed the very onerous duties of his office.

The report of Department Inspector Geo. W. Bailey shows that while the duties of the year had been performed by his predecessor, yet he is not unmindful of the importance of the office and that he has been alert in all matters pertaining thereto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. F. HENRY,
ARTHUR DREIFUS,
ALVIN HAYNIE,
Committee.

Comrade Carter, Post 7, moved that the report of the committee be received and adopted and the committee discharged.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Report of Committee on Resolutions:

Department Commander:

Your Committee on Resolutions begs to report that no matter has been referred to them by the Encampment, and that we have no resolutions of our own to submit.

Respectfully,
GEO. D. REYNOLDS, *Chairman.*

Comrade Pollard, Post 131, moved that the report of the Committee on Resolutions be received and adopted and the committee discharged.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Report of proceedings of Council of Administration by the Assistant Adjutant General:

HANNIBAL, MO., May 21, 1896.

To the Fifteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic:

The Council of Administration respectfully submits the following report:

The first meeting of the Council was held at Macon, Mo., April 18, 1895, on call of the Department Commander. All members present. Louis Benecke, Department Commander, presiding.

On motion, the Department Commander, the Senior Vice Department Commander and N. W. Taylor, elected member, were constituted a committee to examine the conditions of the Department's loans, with a view to protecting our investments; said committee was given full power to act.

The Adjutant General reported that he had secured rooms at the Louisville Hotel for Department Headquarters.

The charters of the following Posts were annulled for failure to make reports, viz: 300, 309, 415, 451, 483, 508 and 523.

On motion, Council adjourned.

The next meeting was held in St. Louis, February 21, 1896, in obedience to call of Department Commander, when the following proceedings were had:

By and with the consent and advice of the Council of Administration, the Department Commander appointed Ernst Kretschmar member of the Council, vice Geo. Webber, deceased.

The charter of Post 174, at Fredericktown, was suspended for violating the Rules and Regulations, by proposing one of their comrades for Governor and urging other Posts to support him in the nominating convention.

Upon motion, the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized and directed to report all delinquent Posts as in good standing and to pay to the Quartermaster General the per capita tax on same.

Upon motion, the Department Commander appointed Comrades Taylor, Kretschmar and Beck a committee to examine and audit the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.

On motion, the Council adjourned.

The next meeting of the Council was held at Hannibal, Mo., May 19, 1896. All members present except Medical Director. Comrade Julius Briggs, Senior Vice Department Commander, presiding.

The Committee appointed to examine and audit the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General submitted the following report, which upon motion was approved:

Your committee of the Council of Administration appointed to examine and audit the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, have attended to that duty

and beg leave to report that we have found the books kept in a business-like manner, accounts correct. The amounts paid out are certified by proper vouchers for proper purposes, and balance on hand found to be five hundred and twenty-nine dollars and sixty-two cents (\$529.62).

N. W. TAYLOR,
ARNOLD BECK,
ERNST KRETCHMAR.

The Department Commander, chairman of special committee on loans, reported that the condition of the "Phelps" loan was not in a satisfactory condition, and recommended that a standing committee be appointed, consisting of three comrades, one to serve one year, one two years and one three years, whose duty it shall be to have charge of Department loans. Upon motion; the recommendation was adopted by the Council, and ordered that the same be recommended to the Encampment for adoption.

Upon motion, the Department Commander was authorized to suspend the following Posts for failure to make reports, provided they do not do so before July 1, 1896: Posts 64, 117, 187, 203, 212, 225, 231, 248, 275, 277, 281, 309, 318, 321, 323, 328, 338, 351, 352, 361, 364, 368, 377, 383, 394, 395, 404, 410, 415, 419, 422, 423, 445, 451, 469, 476, 480, 484, 527, 528, 533, 535 and 538.

Upon motion, the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to employ C. C. Cowen, stenographer, to report the proceedings of the Encampment.

Upon motion, the following appropriations were recommended: For burial of the friendless Union soldiers, \$100; for traveling expenses of Department Commander, \$250; for Department Inspector, \$200, being same amounts heretofore appropriated.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General and Recorder.

It was moved that the report of the Assistant Adjutant General be received and adopted.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Report of Committee on Woman's Relief Corps:

Comrade Dew, Chairman: Your Committee on Woman's Relief Corps have visited the ladies and will say that they have extended to us their sympathy, and assured us of their help in the work of charity in which they are engaged, and that is all the report they have to make to us since they have been here and made their report to this Encampment.

The Department Commander: Did the committee convey to the Woman's Relief Corps our sympathy?

Comrade Dew, Chairman: Yes, sir; that is what we were appointed for.

Report of tellers on the election of delegates and alternates to the National Encampment:

Department Commander:

Under a resolution of this Department, your tellers beg to report that we find the following named comrades duly elected delegates and alternates to the Thirtieth National Encampment, viz:

DELEGATES.

1. ADAM THEIS, Post 43, Hannibal.
2. A. W. ST. JOHN, Post 16, Carthage.
3. JERE T. DEW, Post 3, Kansas City.
4. WM. COY, Post 182, St. Joseph.
5. W. S. BETTS, Post 5, Moberly.
6. C. N. BURNHAM, Post 17, Cameron.
7. V. J. MATHEWS, Post 1, St. Louis.
8. H. E. ROBINSON, Post 21, Maryville.
9. A. H. CASHION, Post 273, Perryville.
10. R. R. SCOTT, Post 131, St. Louis.
11. T. H. HAGERTY, Post 131, St. Louis.
12. J. W. ELDRIDGE, Post 69, Springfield.
13. LOUIS BURKHARDT, Post 393, Milford.
14. HY. GLAHN, Post 36, Clarence.
15. C. W. CORKRAN, Post 221, Novelty.
16. C. E. BENSICK, Post 2, St. Louis.

ALTERNATES.

17. WM. NIEHAUS, Post 107, St. Louis.
18. PETER BOBE, Post 13, St. Louis.
19. JNO. W. TOPPASS, Post 29, Chillicothe.
20. JAMES H. READING, Post 384, Osceola.
21. LOUIS FISCHER, Post 128, Salem.
22. G. W. EDWARDS, Post 343, St. Louis.
23. J. T. BIRDSEYE, Post 26, Nevada.
24. GEO. J. BAER, Post 4, Kansas City.
25. HORACE PORTER, Post 440, Foster.
26. GEO. HALL, Post 72, Trenton.
27. W. A. HEINEMAN, Post 496, St. Louis.
28. WM. RONEY, Post 76, Kidder.
29. M. G. NETHERTON, Post 222, Bancroft.
30. CHAS. BURGE, Post 23, Macon.
31. I. D. MORGAN, Post 263, Cuba.
32. L. T. ROBINSON, Post 21, Maryville.

W. F. HENRY, *Chairman.*

Comrade Briggs, Post 14: I wish to present the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Council of Administration be authorized to change the location of the next Encampment if the railroad rates, hall and hotel accommodations are not satisfactory.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade ———, Post —: I move that the Assistant Adjutant General be authorized to have a sufficient number of copies of the proceedings of this Encampment published to supply the comrades, and to be furnished to them at cost.

Seconded.

Comrade Smith, Post 53: I desire to amend the motion to the effect that each Post be furnished a copy, and one additional copy to each member of this Encampment.

Seconded, put to vote and declared lost.

The original motion being put to vote was declared carried.

Comrade Sterrett, Post 1: Since we have met here in Hannibal my attention has been called to the fact that a mistake was possibly made at Macon at our last Department Encampment a year ago, in fixing the date of our Department Encampment at "not before the 20th of May." If I recollect the wording of the motion carried at Macon, it was that the next Department Encampment, or the future Department Encampments, should not be held prior to the 20th of May. It has been considered at this time, and I have been requested by a number of comrades to move that the rule be changed to read "future Encampments may not be held prior to the 10th of May." The 20th seems to be a little too close to Memorial Day. I would suggest that we fix the date at "not prior to the 10th of May."

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Briggs, Post 14: I desire to offer a resolution that the thanks of this Encampment be extended to the Kansas City Quartette, and to the Ransom Howlers, for the very pleasant entertainment they have given us.

Seconded.

Motion by Comrade Briggs was put to vote and carried unanimously.

Comrade Dreifus, Post 1: I move that we now proceed to the installation of officers.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Song by Comrade Henry, of Kansas City Quartette: "Grand Old Flag," and "We have Drunk from the Same Canteen."

The Department Commander: Past Department Commander Whitehead will now take charge of the Encampment and install the officers elect. I will now turn over the Encampment to him for that purpose.

There being no other business before the Encampment, the newly elected officers were duly installed by Past Department Commander Whitehead.

The Department Commander announced his appointment of Jno. B. Pachall, of Post 1, as Assistant Adjutant General, and he was duly installed.

Prayer by Department Chaplain, Rev. Thos. H. Hagerty.

At the request of Past Department Commander Whitehead the comrades all joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne."

The Department Commander then declared the Encampment adjourned *sine die*.

A true record of the proceedings.

JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

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On Tuesday afternoon, May 21st, during the recess of the Encampment, the members and visiting comrades formed for parade. The especial feature being the presence of the pupils of all the Public Schools of Hannibal, formed in line on either side of the streets embraced in the line of march, and strewing flowers along the pathway of the old veterans. A beautiful spectacle and thoroughly appreciated by all. At the same time, to the children, it was an object lesson in patriotism and loyalty to the flag.

It was an opportunity for them to see those who had helped to make the history they are now studying, and who had made it possible for them to wave the emblem of a free, united and prosperous Republic.

In the evening an entertainment was given to the visitors, in the form of a camp fire, at the Opera House, which was crowded to overflowing.

Department Commander, Thos. B. Rodgers, was Master of Ceremonies.

An enthusiastic reception awaited the appearance on the stage of Commander-in-Chief, Ivan N. Walker, who delivered a splendid address, replete with patriotic sentiments. Other addresses were made by Past Commander-in-Chief, William Warner, Department Chaplain, Thos. H. Hagerty, Comrades E. J. Smith and Jos. A. Wherry. Comrade Ginger entertained the audience with two recitations, and Miss Nellie Eldridge, the "Daughter of the Department," also favored the comrades with a recitation.

The "Ransom Howlers" contributed to the pleasure of the evening by the rendition of several popular songs.

A profusely decorated Opera House, business houses and residences, attested the hearty welcome of the generous, loyal people of Hannibal to the comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
 ST. LOUIS, MO., April 23, 1895. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 1. }

I. Responding to the call made by my comrades of the Fourteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., held at Macon, Mo., on April 17th and 18th, I hereby enter upon the duties as Department Commander.

I sincerely thank my comrades for the high honor bestowed upon me by placing me at the head of a Department that for efficiency and citizen-soldierly deportment ranks second to none, and I trust that by the continual united efforts of all my associates in office, as well as by the patriotic devotion to our cause of all the comrades of this Department, the high standing of the Department of Missouri may be maintained during my term of office. I hereby assure my comrades that I shall earnestly strive to discharge all my duties, so that my successor in office may find it to still hold the proud position which it attained under my predecessors, and for this purpose I ask the hearty co-operation, aid, counsel and assistance of all.

II. The following comrades were elected to the offices named for the ensuing year:

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

Louis Benecke, Department Commander, Brunswick.
 Julius L. Briggs, Senior Vice Department Commander, Joplin.
 Chas. P. Hess, Junior Vice Department Commander, Macon.
 Dr. Samuel Neeper, Medical Director, Kohoka.
 Rev. W. C. Calland, Chaplain, Springfield.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

N. W. Taylor, St. Louis. J. S. Rogers, Cameron.
 W. B. Rogers, Trenton. Arnold Beck, St. Louis.
 Geo. Webber, St. Louis.

REPRESENTATIVES.

A. J. Smith (at large), St. Louis.
 Thos. W. Evans, St. Joseph.
 Jno. P. Tracy, Springfield.
 Jno. W. Scott, Moberly.
 J. S. Rogers, Cameron.
 J. B. Davis, Kansas City.
 Geo. E. Smith, St. Louis.
 E. S. McMurphy, Macon.

ALTERNATES.

T. B. Rodgers (at large), St. Louis.
 I. T. Bronson, Sedalia.
 H. F. Glahn, Clarence.
 F. D. W. Arnold, Lamar.
 W. F. Henry, Kansas City.
 E. S. Miner, Bethany.
 H. P. Porter, Foster.
 J. E. Lewis, Brunswick.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Chas. Niedringhaus, St. Louis.
 M. Wetzler, Trenton.
 G. W. Edwards, St. Louis.
 A. W. St. John, Carthage.
 H. E. Robinson, Maryville.
 Adam Fischer, St. Louis.
 M. G. Netherton, Bancroft.
 R. W. Davis, Brookfield.
 Val. Barth, St. Louis.
 J. W. Barnes, Memphis.

ALTERNATES.

E. Bucher, Mt. Vernon.
 A. H. Cashion, Perryville.
 John T. Birdseye, Nevada.
 V. J. Mathews, St. Louis.
 Geo. O. Cobb, Hopkins.
 J. R. Hollibaugh, Joplin.
 Chas. T. Kerls, St. Louis.
 Wm. Roney, Kidder.
 A. Gorty, Braymer.
 W. H. Graham, Middletown.

III. The following appointment on the staff of the Department Commander is announced:

Assistant Adjutant General and Acting Assistant Quartermaster General, John B. Pachall, Post 1, St. Louis, Mo., to whom all official communications should be addressed.

Other appointments will be announced in General Orders to be issued hereafter.

IV. Department headquarters are established at Room 24, Laclede Building, St. Louis, Mo., to which place all official communications should be sent. Personal communications for the Department Commander should be sent to Brunswick, Mo.

LOUIS BENECKE,

Commanding Department of Missouri, G. A. R.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
 ST. LOUIS, MO., April 30, 1895. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 2. }

I. The following appointments have been made by the Department Commander, and are hereby promulgated:

Judge Advocate, Maj. R. D. Cramer, Post 179, Memphis.

Department Inspector, J. W. Scott, Post 5, Moberly.

Chief Mustering Officer, Frank Snow, Post 4, Kansas City.

AIDES-DE-CAMP TO DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

Stephen Dellacella, Post 1, Aide-de-Camp and Standard Bearer.

John B. Schneider, Post 13, Aide-de-Camp and Department Bugler.

Jacob M. Gruen, Post 2, Senior Aide-de-Camp.

M. Wetzler, Post 72, Aide-de-Camp.

D. S. Harriman, Post 8, Aide-de-Camp.

Emile Becker, Post 131, Aide-de-Camp.

J. D. Bush, Post 387, Aide-de-Camp.

F. M. Lewis, Post 370, Aide-de-Camp.

Jas. H. Reading, Post 384, Aide-de-Camp.

Henry Lange, Post 13, Aide-de-Camp.
 Max Fritz, Post 13, Aide-de-Camp.
 S. G. Franklin, Post 516, Aide-de-Camp.
 John Cotty, Post 5, Aide-de-Camp.
 Thos. W. Evans, Aide-de-Camp.
 Henry Evers, Post 2, Aide-de-Camp.
 Henry Fairback, Post 131, Aide-de-Camp.
 E. F. Rogers, Post 4, Aide-de-Camp.
 A. Wenzel, Post 2, Aide-de-Camp.
 W. F. Henry, Post 4, Aide-de-Camp.
 J. P. Randolph, Post 268, Aide-de-Camp.

II. The Department Commander requests each Post Commander to recommend a comrade for appointment as Aide-de-Camp.

III. The commendable enterprise of Comrade Coulter, publisher of the "Western Veteran," in publishing a Roster of each Post of this Department, for a mere nominal charge to Posts, unless more than one copy is desired, is retarded by the delay of a number of Posts in furnishing a roster of their Post.

The utility of a complete roster, systematically arranged for ready reference, is self-evident, and comrades fail to discharge their duty if they neglect to aid the early completion of this valuable record.

The Department Commander most earnestly urges that the delinquent Posts will take immediate action, and forward a copy of their Post Roster to Comrade O. H. Coulter, publisher of "Western Veteran," Kansas City, Mo.

IV. The Department Commander invites the attention of comrades to the law providing for the furnishing of a regulation marble head stone for the grave of each union soldier; the name of the deceased, and his company and regiment, or other service, is also inscribed by the Government on the same; and the only expense that the Government does not bear, is the erection or placing of these monuments at the grave.

If comrades will furnish the Department Commander with the information, showing name, company, regiment and cemetery, or place where the grave is located, also the nearest railroad station, and name of a comrade to whom these head stones may be sent, to secure prompt disposition, he will cause proper requisition to be made.

It is hoped that before the end of this year, every grave of our departed comrades, situated in this Department, will be supplied with these simple but honorable marks of distinction, furnished by the Government which was preserved by their patriotic devotion to duty.

V. The Assistant Adjutant General has in his possession some official papers that might be of interest to the following named ex-soldiers or their relatives:

Francis M. Churchwell, Co. K, 13th Mo. Cavalry.
 George W. Sherman, Co. K, 13th Mo. Cavalry.
 H. H. Baldwin, Co. K, 13th Mo. Cavalry.

William P. White, Co. K, 13th Mo. Cavalry.
 E. B. Buckles, Co. K, 13th Mo. Cavalry.
 William W. Watson, Co. H, 13th Mo. Cavalry.
 John D. Jones, Co. H, 13th Mo. Cavalry.
 Wm. E. Smith, Co. H, 13th Mo. Cavalry.
 James T. Anderson, Co. H, 13th Mo. Cavalry.
 John Connor, Co. G, 13th Mo. Cavalry.
 Romine Ostrander, Co. F, 1st Col. Cavalry.

VI. All remittances to the Assistant Quartermaster General should be by post office, express or registered letter, in order to avoid a charge of fifteen cents, which the banks are charging on all outside checks.

VII. Paragraph III, General Orders No. 1, should be corrected to read as follows:

The following appointment on the Staff of the Department Commander is announced:

Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General,
 John B. Pachall, Post 1, St. Louis, Mo., to whom all official communications should be addressed.

By command of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., May 4, 1895. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 3. }

I. Gentle Spring, with its glad associations of foliage and flowers, again enables us to place tokens of love and affection upon the graves of our comrades, who have given their lives in order that our Government might live, or, who, after enduring the dangers and hardships of military or naval service, were permitted to live and enjoy the blessing of a united country, but prematurely succumbed to the infirmities brought on by exposure in line of duty, and are now in that eternal Camp from which there is no return.

II. We, the survivors of the great struggle for the perpetuation of the Government, represented by the starry banner, the emblem of liberty, equal rights, law and order, are rapidly nearing the period when we too must join the great army above. The days are counted when the last comrade will deposit his final wreath, in commemoration of this sacred duty, established by our organization, but which is now accepted and adopted by a grateful nation, and adhered to in all parts of our glorious land.

III. While we are permitted to celebrate this solemn festival of the dead and to demonstrate to this generation, and generations to come,

our devotion to our departed comrades, we should not allow this day to be marred by worldly festivities, but give emphatic expressions of our disapproval, if such acts of sacrilege be attempted.

IV. In compliance with the time honored custom, the Department Commander issues this order, and respectfully enjoins all comrades to appropriately observe the Thirtieth day of May, as our Memorial Day, and to solicit the co-operation of the Woman's Relief Corps, the Sons of Veterans, and all patriotic and civic societies.

V. It is also earnestly recommended that Posts make arrangement to attend Memorial Services on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day.

By order of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
ROOM 25, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
ST. LOUIS, MO., May 25, 1895. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 4. }

I. The following named comrades, on the recommendations of the Post Commanders, are hereby appointed Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Henry Austray, Post 182, St. Joseph.
Adam Offenstein, Post 2, St. Louis.
William F. Stewart, Post 417, Smithton.
Henry T. Holmes, Post 6, Jefferson City.
Thos. C. Copeland, Post 58, Butler.
S. S. Lindsey, Post 168, Braymer.
G. Ostman, Post 5, Moberly.
S. L. Martin, Post 387, Marceline.
Jno. Rufner, Post 36, Clarence.
C. C. Draper, Post 48, Lebanon.
Melvin Sweet, Post 25, Glenwood.

Additional appointments will be announced as they may be recommended by the Post Commanders.

Aides-de-Camp will supply themselves with the badge of their rank at the earliest practicable moment; these badges can be obtained from the Assistant Adjutant General.

The Department Commander expects the best efforts of each and every member of his staff, in strengthening their respective Posts, and the order generally. They should render every assistance possible to their Post officers, more especially in reducing the suspended list, adding

to the list of recruits and making out and promptly forwarding all semi-annual reports.

II. Blanks for reports by Post Chaplains of the services on Memorial Day have been furnished from National Headquarters, and two copies have been forwarded to the Commander of each Post, who will see that they are properly filled up and one forwarded to the Department Chaplain, Rev. W. C. Calland, Springfield, Mo., as soon as possible after Memorial Day.

III. Blanks in duplicate for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports for the first term of 1894, being the six months ending June 30th, are herewith enclosed, with addressed envelope. The time between this date and the meeting of the National Encampment is so short, that there should be no delay in sending in these reports. Let the Commander, Adjutant and Quartermaster, when they are together at the last meeting in June, prepare the reports and forward them with the *per capita* tax of ten cents for each member, in one envelope. Reports should not be kept back until the end of the month, but should be sent *immediately* after the last meeting in June. A blank for report of the Post Surgeon is also enclosed with an addressed envelope to the Medical Director, to whom it should be sent. This report should be made by the Adjutant in case the Post Surgeon fails to attend to it.

IV. All remittances should be by postal money order, express money order, draft on St. Louis or registered letter. All checks on local banks are subject to a discount of fifteen cents.

V. All communications for the different Posts are sent to the Post Commander, and should be by him laid before the Post at its next meeting. The journals of the National and Department Encampments are the property of the Posts, published for the information of the comrades, and should be on the Adjutant's desk at each meeting of the Post.

The attention of Post officers is again called to their suspended list, many Post reports show two and three times as many remaining suspended as are in good standing. You should at once "drop" every comrade who has remained one year or more suspended. This would benefit both the Post and the comrade. See amendment to Chap. 5, Art. 4, Sec. 4.

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By order of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
ROOM 24, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., July 1, 1895. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 5. }

I. The following additional appointments as Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

James W. Barckens, Post 219.
W. H. Morse, Post 197.
Christian F. Howard, Post 181.
E. E. May, Post 149.
Joseph Morgan, Post 110.
Thomas J. Dockery, Post 22.
S. G. Franklin, Post 516.
Andrew Naramore, Post 514.
Wm. Niehaus, Post 107.
Ferdinand Muench, Post 296.
C. C. Haggard, Post 411.
Jos. Welsh, Post 444.
Fred. Stroh, Post 301.
Francis Hall, Post 210.
S. Forester, Post 397.
C. A. Patterson, Post 550.
Lafayette Ellis, Post 549.

The attention of Aides-de-Camp on Staff of Department Commander is called to paragraph I, General Orders No. 4.

II. A large number of Posts have failed to forward their reports for first term, 1895. Post Commanders are requested to give this their immediate attention, and cause to be forwarded at once the reports of their Adjutants and Quartermasters.

III. The Department Commander is pleased to note that a majority of the Posts are reporting an increase in membership over second term, 1894. This, together with seven applications for charters received during the month of June, indicate a healthy condition of the order in this Department, and that an effort is being made, on the part of the comrades, to reduce the suspended list to a minimum.

The following Posts have been mustered during the month:

Col. Jno. A. Davis Post No. 549, at Windsor, Mo., on June 15th, by the Assistant Adjutant General.

Seligman Post No. 550, at Seligman, Mo., by William Holliday, Post 335, S. M. O.

IV. For the information of comrades who feel disposed to assist in establishing camps of Sons of Veterans, it is hereby made known that in order to establish a camp, a petition of at least fifteen eligible applicants with a charter fee of \$20 should be sent to Col. W. J. Zimmer-schied, Commander Sons of Veterans of Missouri, Sedalia, Mo., who will then cause the required action to be taken without delay.

The Department Commander believes that we should encourage the Sons of Veterans and render them all the assistance in our power.

V. The Twenty-ninth National Encampment will meet in the city of Louisville, Ky., September the 12th. The parade will take place on Wednesday the 11th.

The Department Commander, Staff and Escort will leave St. Louis, Mo., on the morning of the 10th, via Louisville, Evansville and St. Louis Consolidated R. R., arriving at Louisville, Ky., about 5 o'clock, p. m. This company has kindly placed at the disposal of the Department Commander a special train; comrades desiring to go by this train, please notify the Assistant Adjutant General.

The Department Headquarters will be located at the Louisville Hotel during the Encampment.

The fare from St. Louis will be about one cent per mile.

Full particulars as to details will be announced in next General Orders.

VI. If the Presidents and Secretaries of the various Veteran Associations in this Department will notify the Assistant Adjutant General, not later than August 1st, of the time and place of their meetings and reunions, it will be published in next General Orders.

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By command of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
ROOM 24, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
ST. LOUIS, MO., August 16, 1895.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 6. }

I. As heretofore announced, the Twenty-ninth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held in the city of Louisville, Kentucky, September 11th to 13th, 1895. The parade will take place Wednesday, September 11th.

II. A rate of one cent per mile, from St. Louis to Louisville, has been named (short line distance), and all roads in Western Passenger Association have promised a rate of one fare for the round trip, this includes all lines in this Department.

A rate of one cent per mile has been named from Louisville to all points in the Southern States Passenger Association, this includes the battlefields of Nashville, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Chickamauga, Atlanta, etc.

III. The Louisville, Evansville and St. Louis R. R. (Air Line) is hereby designated as the Official Route of this Department.

The Department Commander, Staff and Escort will leave Union Station, St. Louis, Mo., by special train, September 9th, at 9:30 o'clock p. m., arriving in Louisville, Ky., at 8 o'clock a. m., establishing headquarters at the Louisville Hotel, located on Main Street, between Sixth and Seventh Streets, where all comrades of this Department are requested to call and register upon their arrival.

Comrades who desire to go by this train, or who want sleeping car accommodations, will please notify the Assistant Adjutant General not later than September 1st.

IV. The Department Officers, Aides-de-Camp and Representatives to the National Encampment will report to the Assistant Adjutant General, at Department Headquarters, at 9:30 o'clock a. m., sharp, September 11th, for parade. The uniform worn will be that of the Grand Army, black felt military hat with gold cord and wreath, white gloves, G. A. R. button, rank badge and Department badge, but no other badges will be displayed.

V. It is the desire of the Department Commander that this Department be in position designated by the Commander-in-Chief, promptly on time; and to this end all Post Commanders are requested to have their respective Posts in readiness to move with the least possible delay. Soldierly conduct and deportment, which has in the past gained for this Department a reputation second to none, is enjoined upon all.

VI. The following extracts from General Orders No. 13, National Headquarters, is herewith promulgated:

"XXVII. The length of the march at Louisville is, by actual measurement, two miles and a quarter, on level and smoothly paved streets. In consideration of this short line of march the Commander-in-Chief expresses the desire that every comrade that is able to march will be found in line and not on the sidewalk viewing the parade.

"XXVIII. The reviewing stand of the Commander-in-Chief will be on the north side of Jefferson Street, in front of the Court House steps, and will be designated by the Headquarter's—buff—guidon. When passing in review all colors will salute by dipping the colors at six paces from reviewing point by extending the arm to its full length, allowing the colors to drop; remaining in this position until six paces past the reviewing officer, when the colors will be returned to their proper position. Music will play three ruffles, and the military salute by Department Commanders and Post Commanders only. Comrades in rank *will not salute*. Department and Post Commanders will issue instructions to all bands and drum corps in their commands, positively prohibiting special drilling and evolutions of such organizations while passing the reviewing stand."

VII. The Department of Missouri, having been placed in the Fifth Division for the grand parade, will form on Walnut Street, right resting on the left of the Department of Minnesota, at or near Floyd Street. Post Commanders are requested to be prepared to move with their commands promptly at 10:30.

VIII. Frank P. Blair Post, No. 1, having tendered its services as escort to the Department Commander, the same are hereby accepted.

IX. Comrade W. F. Henry of Post No. 3, Kansas City, Mo., Aide-de-Camp, is hereby detailed to take charge of the Department Register at Louisville during the National Encampment.

X. Representatives elect to the National Encampment will notify the Assistant Adjutant General, not later than August 25th, whether or not they will be able to attend, in order that their Alternates may be notified if necessary. A circular was mailed to each of the Representatives elect, in May, asking if they desired accommodations with the Department Commander at the Louisville Hotel; to which only two responses have been received. The Department must surrender these extra rooms if not spoken for soon.

XI. The following additional Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Joseph Orr, Post 38.	James N. Stapleton, Post 386.
Richard Pullem, Post 402.	Matt. Gray, Post 440.
James W. Noble, Post 252.	D. B. Watts, Post 235.
A. D. Withers, Post 461.	Hugo Witter, Post 13.
A. J. Culbertson, Post 298.	Jno. D. Gore, Post 1.
J. D. Whaley, Post 118.	Jno. B. Shephard, Post 43.
Jno. C. Robinson, Post 391.	Geo. D. Reynolds, Post 304.
Jno. N. Michael, Post 525.	

XII. The Department Commander has caused to be provided a limited number of horses for use in the parade. All Department Officers and Aides-de-Camp who intend to join in the parade mounted, will notify the Assistant Adjutant General not later than September 1st. Each Officer and Aide-de-Camp will provide his own equipments. If said equipments are delivered to the Department Headquarters on above date they will be shipped to Louisville and returned to St. Louis free of charge.

XIII. The attention of Post Commanders interested is earnestly called to the following facts, viz: That Posts Nos. 103, 212, 249, 281, 307, 351, 383, 419, 476, 493, 519 and 527 have failed to make proper reports for second term of 1894, and that seventy-five Posts have not yet reported for first term of 1895; blanks for these reports were mailed to Post Commanders in May. Rules and Regulations require reports to be made the last meeting night in June, and Post Commanders are charged with the duty of causing them to be promptly forwarded. If blanks have been lost, notify the Assistant Adjutant General, and others will be promptly forwarded.

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XVI. The Department Headquarters in St. Louis will be closed from September 9th to 25th.

XVII. The following new Posts have been mustered: Blythedall Post, No. 551, Blythedall; Gutzweiler Post, No. 554, St. Charles; E. L. Vanzandt Post, No. 553, Kirbyville; Baxter Post, No. 552, Baxter.

By order of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACIALL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
 ST. LOUIS, MO., October 15, 1895. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 7. }

I. The Department Commander desires to return thanks to the Posts and comrades of our Department, who attended the National Encampment, at Louisville, for their soldierly deportment during the parade.

All leading papers who published an account of the grand march were unanimous in their praise of our Department, and agreed that the "appearances of the Missouri Posts were unsurpassed by any in the line of march."

Special mention is made of Veteran Co. A, 8d Reg., N. G. M., Blair, Hassendeubel, Lyon, Harding and Ransom Posts, and the Springfield, Kansas City, Carroll and Trenton Battalions, for their endurance from first to last, the excessive heat to the contrary notwithstanding.

The Department Commander also desires to express his sense of personal gratitude to the members of his Staff and Aides-de-Camp, for their valuable assistance rendered upon this occasion.

Now let us unite in devoting our energies in gathering all worthy comrades into our ranks, and thereby increase the force and usefulness for the patriotic work assumed by our organization.

Owing to the large attendance, the supply of Missouri badges was exhausted; in order to secure to every comrade who tramped through the streets of the hospitable city of Louisville, one of these souvenirs, provisions have been made to furnish one for each participating comrade who failed to receive one, and for that purpose requisition by Post Commanders will be honored if application is now made to the Assistant Adjutant General.

The Department was represented at the National Encampment by its full number of representatives and alternates.

Comrade F. M. Sterrett of Post 1 was re-elected member of the National Council of Administration, and has been selected a member of the Executive Committee.

II. General Orders No. 14, old series, and Nos. 1 and 2, new series, is herewith enclosed, and to which the attention of all comrades is invited.

St. Paul, Minnesota, was chosen as the place of meeting for the Thirtieth National Encampment.

III. In accordance with the rules and regulations, an inspection of each Post should be made before December 20th of each year. Post Commanders are charged with the duty of seeing that this service is performed. It is recommended that this be done the first meeting in December, when practicable, otherwise at the next regular meeting thereafter.

Many Posts failed to report inspection for year ending December 31, 1894. There is no good reason why this condition of affairs should exist in any Post of this Department.

The Senior Past Post Commander present should perform this duty; in case of absence of any Past Post Commander, then the Post Commander should name a proper comrade to perform this duty, and forward his report at once to Jno. W. Scott, Department Inspector, at Moberly, Mo. Blanks for inspection will be sent to the Commander of each Post, prior to the first meeting in December. The "Form of Inspection," as laid down in the Service Book, will be adhered to.

IV. A large number of Posts in this Department have for years carried on their suspended list three times as many comrades as are on the active list. This is a detriment to the Grand Army, as has been so often suggested from these Headquarters, that it is easier for a dropped member to be reinstated than one suspended. It is again urged that all comrades who have been suspended for more than one year be dropped from the rolls, and no member can be dropped who was not reported as suspended the previous term.

Commanders should see that the name of every comrade, gained or lost to the Post, should be reported by name to these Headquarters.

V. In the interest of the friends of our order, it is requested that each Post forward to the Assistant Adjutant General the average age of its members on December 1, 1895; this average age to be ascertained by dividing the sum of the ages of its members by the number of members.

VI. The Department Commander desires to again call the attention of all comrades to the importance of fostering and encouraging, in every way possible, the auxiliaries to our grand organization, the Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans. It is a noted fact that every Post in this Department having a Woman's Relief Corps is in a prosperous condition. Mrs. Adah Goss Briggs, President W. R. C., Joplin, Mo., will furnish all information desired regarding the organization of Corps in this Department.

VII. The thanks of this Department are due to the publishers of the "Western Veteran" of Kansas City, for their valuable services in compiling and publishing so complete and perfect a roster of the Posts of this Department. It is a book of 144 pages, is convenient in size and neatly bound. It contains a complete history of the Department from its first organization down to and including the last Encampment, a portrait of all the Past Department Commanders but one, a roster of the members of the Posts, giving name, company and regiment, a roster of the Loyal Legion and Woman's Relief Corps of the State. The publishers advise us that the demand for the book has nearly exhausted the supply. Posts desiring a copy of this valuable book should order it at once.

VIII. The proceedings, findings and sentence of Post Court Martial in the trial of Comrade T. J. Mehaffey, Past Post Commander Post

32, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., have been approved by the Department Commander, and the said T. J. Mehaffey is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

By order of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
OFFICE OF LOUIS BENECKE, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
BRUNSWICK, MO., November 6, 1895. }

SPECIAL ORDER }
No. 2. }

Owing to certain differences of opinion as to the extent to which a Post of the G. A. R. may participate at the funeral of a Comrade who was a member of the Catholic Church, independent action was taken by Ransom Post No. 131, and a committee, consisting of Comrade S. D. Webster, was appointed to wait upon His Grace, Archbishop J. J. Kain, and the following questions were submitted:

"FIRST.—May a G. A. R. Post enter a Catholic Church on a funeral occasion with its comrades in G. A. R. uniform and with its flag?

"SECOND.—May it in the same way enter a Catholic Cemetery?

"THIRD.—May it, at the grave of a comrade, in a Catholic Cemetery, have the form of burial service for a comrade, provided for in the G. A. R. Ritual, a copy of which is herewith handed you?"

To this His Grace, Archbishop J. J. Kain, after careful consideration, replied as follows:

"Archbishop's Residence, 3810 Lindell Boulevard, }
St. Louis, June 17, 1895. }

"*Mr. S. D. Webster, City:*

"Dear Sir—I authorize you to report to Ransom Post, No. 131, that in this Diocese the members of the G. A. R. may, on the occasions of the funeral of a comrade, enter any Catholic Church or Cemetery in the uniform of their organization and with the United States flag, and after the burial services prescribed by the Church they may recite the very appropriate prayers sanctioned by your organization.

Very respectfully,

(Signed)

JOHN J. KAIN,

Abp. St. Louis."

Inasmuch as there are three Dioceses in this Department, the Department Commander applied to Right Rev. John J. Hogan, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas City, and to Right Rev. M. F. Burke, D.D., Bishop of St. Joseph, Mo., Diocese, and after some unavoidable delay, owing to absence, was gratified to receive the following replies to the same questions as had been submitted to Archbishop J. J. Kain, heretofore stated:

"Kansas City, October 8, 1895.

"*Mr. Louis Benecke, Department Commander, Grand Army of the Republic:*

"Dear Sir:—In reply to your letter to me, members of the Grand Army of the Republic attending the funeral of a Catholic comrade in this Diocese, may enter the Catholic Church in the uniform of their organization and with the United States flag, and after the burial services prescribed by the Church they may recite the prayers sanctioned by the Grand Army of the Republic.

Yours very truly,

(Signed)

† JOHN H. HOGAN,

Bishop of Kansas City."

And the other reply is as follows:

"Cathedral, St. Joseph, Mo., October 21, 1895.

"Dear Sir:—Permit me to inform you that Right Rev. M. F. Burke, D.D., Bishop of St. Joseph, Mo., has kindly consented to allow, on the occasions of the funeral of a member of the G. A. R., all the privileges in his Diocese that said body enjoys in the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

Respectfully yours,

† A. NEWMAN."

The Department Commander is gratified that thus, by the uniform and harmonious action of the highest authority of the Catholic Church in this Department, we may, as an organization, bestow the last honors to a deceased comrade who was a member of the Catholic Church without committing any infraction upon the rules of the Church, and thus avoid all possible disappointments upon such solemn occasions.

Comrades S. D. Webster, Wm. Warner and Thos. W. Evans have rendered valuable assistance in bringing about a satisfactory solution of this question.

The above is published for the information and guidance of all Posts of the G. A. R. of this Department.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

LOUIS BENECKE,

Dep't Commander, G. A. R., Mo.

Official: JNO. B. PACHALL, A. A. G.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
ROOM 24, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
ST. LOUIS, Mo., November 20, 1895. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 8. }

I. Blanks of Forms "A," "B" and "H," for reports of Adjutant, Quartermaster, Inspector and Surgeon, with circular of Department Inspector and printed "Form of Inspection," are enclosed with this order to the Commander of each Post. An addressed envelope, for sending

reports to the Assistant Adjutant General, Department Inspector and Medical Director, are also inclosed.

As heretofore announced in General Orders No. 7, to which attention is invited, the inspection of each Post will be made by the Senior Past Post Commander present.

Should no Past Post Commander be present at the meeting when inspection is to take place, the Post Commander will detail a suitable comrade to make the inspection.

II. The annual election of officers of each Post will be held at the first regular meeting in December.

At the same meeting representatives to the Department Encampment will be elected. Each Post is entitled to one representative and alternate for every fifty members in good standing, and one additional representative and alternate for a final fraction of more than half that number. Posts having less than fifty members are entitled to one representative and one alternate. Post Commanders and Past Post Commanders being *ex officio* members of the Encampment should not be elected as representatives.

The basis of representation is the number of members in good standing as shown by the Adjutant's report for the term ending June 30, 1895. Posts in arrears for dues or reports are not entitled to representation in the Department Encampment.

III. Wednesday and Thursday, May 20 and 21, 1896, are the dates selected by the Council of Administration for the meeting of the Fifteenth Annual Encampment, at Hannibal, Mo.

IV. Post Commanders will immediately after the election report to the Assistant Adjutant General the names of the representatives and alternates elect, with the names of all Past Post Commanders in good standing, on blanks which are herewith enclosed. They will see that the names are plainly and correctly written, and will keep a duplicate report to be presented to the committee on credentials at the Department Encampment.

V. The newly elected officers will be installed at the first regular meeting in January, 1896, by the Senior Past Post Commander present. If no Past Post Commander is present, then any member of the Department Staff is authorized to act, provided no comrade has been specially detailed for that purpose. Installing officers, before proceeding with the installation, will ascertain if all reports and dues have been forwarded to Department Headquarters; and where this has not been done, they will *not* proceed until the reports and dues are placed in their hands for that purpose. When a Post has not been inspected, they will proceed to make the inspection before the officers are installed. They will also see that the Quartermaster has filed a satisfactory bond before he is installed.

VI. Duplicate blanks of Forms "A" and "B" for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports for the second term of 1895, being the six months ending December 31, herewith enclosed, should be made out at the last

meeting in December and forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General in *one envelope* with the *per capita* tax of ten cents for each member in good standing, as shown by the Adjutant's report. Reports should be sent in immediately after the last meeting in December, and not be held until the last of the month.

The Post Surgeon's blank, herewith enclosed, should be made out and sent to the Medical Director of the Department in the addressed envelope furnished for that purpose.

VII. The Adjutant's blank, enclosed and marked in *red ink*, should be filled out and returned to this office. The figures denote the number in good standing, as reported by the Adjutant on June 30, and should not be changed; should there be an error, state that fact on the margin.

All gains or losses in membership should be accounted for, and the name of each comrade gained or lost must be given, together with the source or cause of gain or loss, under the proper headings.

The representation of the Department in the next National Encampment is based on the number of members in good standing as reported for this term, and it is hoped that especial efforts will be made to increase our membership by all the means in our power before the end of the year. This can be done largely by the reinstatement of many suspended and dropped members, the list of which is very large. Let each officer and comrade direct his efforts towards this object and the result will be a gratifying increase in our membership and a corresponding decrease of our suspended list.

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VIII. All blanks for reports for term ending December 31, 1895, are mailed in time to reach every Post Commander on or before December 1st.

Post Commanders are requested to acknowledge receipt of same by postal card or notify this office of failure to receive them, in order that others may be sent.

With confident reliance upon the promptness of each and every Post in this Department, it is expected that each will respond with complete reports immediately after the last meeting in December, in order that the Department officers may consolidate and forward them to National Headquarters promptly, as required by the Rules and Regulations. Remittances should be made by draft, postal or express order or registered letter. There is a discount of fifteen cents on personal checks, which is charged to the Post remitting in this manner.

IX. The National Countersign for 1896 will be sent to each Post Commander immediately upon the receipt of all reports and dues for term ending December 31, 1895.

X. General Orders Nos. 3 and 4, National Headquarters, are herewith enclosed.

XI. The Department Commander has been requested by several Posts, as well as by individual comrades, to take some action concerning the numerous complaints made about arbitrary and illegal action of the Pension Bureau. While the unfriendly disposition of the present Commissioner of Pensions is a matter of much regret and deserves the severest censure, yet there is no remedy available to the Department Commander that could bring relief, *except* to refer all such cases as may come to his knowledge to the National Pension Committee of the G. A. R., and rely upon their efforts to secure justice for our comrades or their widows and orphans.

The Department Commander considers it his duty as well as pleasure to render all assistance in his power to the victims of a hostile executive officer, and requests all communications relative to this subject to be sent to him at Brunswick, Mo.

With profound sorrow and regret the Department Commander announces to the comrades of this Department the death of Comrade Nathan Smith Richardson, M. D., of Post 23, after a brief illness, at his home in Macon, Mo., on Sunday, October 27, 1895. Comrade Richardson was Commander of his Post in 1882, 1883, 1884 and 1886; was Medical Director of this Department in 1885 and 1891.

One eminent in his profession, an honored citizen, an earnest, energetic worker in the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic, "a true-hearted, brave and earnest defender of the Republic," "is mustered out."

By order of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 24, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., January 2, 1896. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 9. }

I. Blanks for all semi-annual reports have been sent to the Commander of each Post in this Department; this includes inspectors', surgeons' reports, roster of officers for year 1896 and credentials to Department Encampment, to be held at Hannibal, May 20th. If, for any reason, Posts have failed to receive them, please notify the Assistant Adjutant General and others will be sent.

II. The National Countersign will be sent out January 1, 1896, to all Posts having forwarded to the proper destination all reports and per capita tax as required by our rules and regulations. Post Commanders should see that all reports are forwarded before January 10th. See Chap. V, Art. II, Sec. I.

IV. The proceedings, findings and sentence of court martial, ordered by Post 53, in the case of Hudson C. Leach, is approved, and said Leach is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic; *also* the findings and sentence of Post court martial, Post 496, in the case of Charles Gannsen, is approved, and said Gannsen is dishonorably discharged and dismissed from the Grand Army of the Republic.

V. Comrade William A. McCaskey, Post 76, is hereby appointed additional Aide on the Staff of the Department Commander; also Comrade William O. Adams, Post 120.

VI. General Orders No. 5 National Headquarters is herewith enclosed.

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By order of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander.

OFFICIAL: JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
ROOM 24, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., March 6, 1896. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 10. }

I. The Semi-Annual Reports from following Posts have not yet reached this office: Adjutant and Quartermaster and Per Capita Tax and Roster of Officers from Posts Nos. 90, 111, 117, 121, 147, 154, 187, 209, 212, 225, 226, 231, 234, 248, 260, 271, 275, 277, 280, 281, 291, 318, 321, 323, 325, 328, 331, 338, 351, 352, 354, 356, 359, 361, 364, 368, 373, 377, 383, 394, 395, 404, 410, 413, 419, 422, 426, 439, 445, 446, 449, 450, 454, 469, 476, 482, 484, 493, 500, 501, 511, 513, 519, 521, 522, 527, 528, 530, 533, 535. Roster of Officers and Credentials of Delegates from Posts Nos. 39, 64, 130, 133, 134, 137, 155, 170, 176, 188, 237, 242, 250, 253, 258, 277, 278, 288, 293, 305, 314, 355, 356, 383, 384, 412, 416, 467, 472, 475, 485, 493, 499, 517, 529, 533, 537, 544, 545, 546, 549. Rosters only from Posts Nos. 26, 46, 73, 79, 187, 200, 222, 223, 262, 273, 279, 293, 409, 424, 432, 471, 479, 492, 520, 525, 531. Credentials only: Posts Nos. 16, 72, 135, 142, 179, 194, 210, 212, 216, 224, 241, 249, 257, 261, 302, 304, 316, 327, 330, 343, 345, 346, 347, 378, 392, 402, 406, 423, 429, 430, 441, 442, 447, 453, 458, 466, 475, 477, 489, 490, 494, 498, 512, 515, 526, 534, 539, 548.

II. It is a matter of great importance that these reports should be forwarded at once. Post Commanders will see that the Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports are *en route* with least possible delay, and that if they desire their Posts to appear on the Department Roster for the year 1896 they must forward a list of officers for that year, and in order that the Roll of the Encampment may be ready in time, it is necessary that the Assistant Adjutant General be possessed of the credentials of Delegates and Representatives thereto. It is a matter of but a few moments' labor, and required by the Rules and Regulations.

III. The National Countersign has been sent to all Posts having made Adjutants', Quartermasters' and Inspectors' reports. Any Post not having received it, may know that all reports due have not been received.

IV. Post Officers and Aides-de-Camp are again urged to provide themselves with the official badge of their respective offices. Have your Quartermaster make requisition for all such supplies, and in time for you to secure them prior to the Department Encampment and Memorial Day.

V. The attention of Post Quartermasters is again called to the rule that all remittances should be made by draft on St. Louis, money order or registered letter. All personal checks on local banks are subject to a discount of 15 cents.

VI. It is with deep sorrow and regret that the Department Commander announces the death of a member of the Council of Administration, Comrade George Webber, of Post 13, City of St. Louis, who died in his office on December 13, 1895, from heart failure. Comrade Webber enlisted in the Thirty-seventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and was mustered out as Sergeant, having served three years. He was prominent and active in public affairs and an enthusiastic worker for our noble organization.

VII. At a meeting of the Council of Administration, held at Department Headquarters on February 22, 1896, Comrade Ernst Kretchmar, of Post 18, was elected a member to fill vacancy caused by the death of Comrade George Webber.

VIII. By and with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, the Department Commander has suspended Major Hiram Gavitt Post, No. 174, located at Fredericktown, for publishing and issuing a circular letter requesting the Comrades to support, in the nominating convention, one of their members for Governor, the act being a violation of the Rules and Regulations of the G. A. R.

IX. The Department Commander desires to call the attention of the comrades of this Department to the fact that the "Home" at St. James, Mo., is not ready to receive inmates, and that it is a waste of time, money and energy for comrades to go there with the expectation of being admitted to a "Soldiers' Home."

X. As heretofore announced, the Department Encampment will be held in the city of Hannibal on May 20th and 21st. The good people of this beautiful city are doing everything in their power to make our stay there pleasant and agreeable to all. The Department Commander hopes to see as many of the comrades present as can make it convenient to do so. Application has been made to all lines in the State for a rate of one fare for the round trip, with indication that it will be granted.

XI. General Orders No. 6, National Headquarters, is herewith enclosed, and to which the attention of the comrades is invited.

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By order of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

OFFICIAL:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., April 21, 1896. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 11. }

I. In conformity with the sacred custom established by the Grand Army of the Republic, and adopted by a grateful nation, May 30 has been set apart as Memorial Day, upon which we may assemble at the last resting place of departed comrades, depositing the beautiful flowers, evergreens and wreaths of laurels, as a token of love, of undying affection and emblems of the victory of peace.

II. In obedience to General Order No. 8, National Headquarters, G. A. R., this formal announcement is made, and all comrades of this Department are enjoined, and all Sons of Veterans, Woman's Relief Corps, Daughters of Veterans and patriotic citizens generally, are requested to assemble and participate in these to us sacred rites.

III. The number of our comrades who look down from above, and are our invisible guests upon Memorial Day, is constantly increasing, yet the solemnity of the occasion is not lessened by the addition of younger hands than ours to take part in the offerings of the most beautiful gifts of Spring, as the most appropriate recognition of the patriotic dead, of whom many were not permitted to live and realize their hopes to see our nation united under the watch-word—"ONE COUNTRY AND ONE FLAG."

IV. The Legislature of our State has recently enacted a law making Memorial Day a legal holiday, thus enabling all to participate with us.

V. The Department Commander earnestly requests all comrades to discourage and discountenance all efforts to make this sacred day the occasion for games, amusements and worldly pleasures, or to divert from the solemnity of the occasion in any form whatever. The G. A. R. looks upon such attempts as acts of sacrilege.

VI. Posts should attend divine service in a body on Sunday preceding Memorial Day, and make suitable arrangements and invite all to participate in our services.

By order of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

OFFICIAL:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., April 27, 1896. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 12. }

I. The Fifteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, will assemble at 10 o'clock a. m., in the Opera House, at the city of Hannibal, on Wednesday, May 20, 1896.

II. The Council of Administration will meet at the Park Hotel, on Tuesday, May 19, at 4 o'clock p. m.

The Department Headquarters will be established at Room 3, Park Hotel, on Tuesday, May 19.

III. The following named comrades are appointed a committee on credentials:

Jno. S. Jellison, Post 43; Alexander McCandless, Post 5; W. F. Henry, Post 3; Martin Scherer, Post 13; W. H. Purse, Post 20.

This committee will meet at Park Hotel, on Tuesday, May 19, at 3 o'clock p. m. Representatives and members of the Encampment will report to this committee on their arrival and receive their Encampment badges.

The Department Register will be kept at the Park Hotel, where visiting comrades are requested to register on their arrival.

IV. On recommendation of the Commander of Post 43, the following named comrades are detailed for duty during the session of the Encampment:

For officer of the day, John O. Hogg; for officer of the guard, Jacob Nollenberger.

The Commander of Post 43 will detail from comrades of that Post a sufficient number of sentinels, with proper reliefs, for duty at the Encampment. He will also detail four comrades of his Post to take charge of the Department Register. All details will report to the Assistant Adjutant General at 10 o'clock a. m., May 19, for instructions.

V. Col. J. S. Ferguson, President of the Prisoners of War Association of Missouri, has requested the Department Commander to call the attention of the comrades to the fact that the regular annual meeting of said Association will be held on May 20, at 7 o'clock p. m., in the Pilgrim Congregational Church.

VI. At the request of Mrs. Adah L. Briggs, President of the Woman's Relief Corps, announcement is cheerfully made that the Department Headquarters Woman's Relief Corps will be established at Park Hotel, May 20, 1896, and sessions held in the Broadway M. E. Church.

VII. At the request of Comrade Fairback, President of the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home Association, announcement is made that this association will meet in Hannibal, Mo., May 20, 1896.

VIII. The Encampment will close with a Camp-Fire in the Opera House on the evening of the 21st, at which the Commander-in-Chief,

Gen. I. N. Walker, is expected to be present. Also other prominent speakers will be with us. Among the prominent features of the evening will be the justly celebrated G. A. R. Quartette, of Kansas City, and the "Ransom Howlers," of St. Louis.

There will be Camp-Fires in Scyocs' Hall on the 20th and 21st, to which all are welcome.

IX. The local Executive Committee have arranged for an entertainment in the Opera House on the evening of the 21st. See circular letter herewith enclosed.

X. The Western Passenger Association has made a rate of one fare for the round trip, to Hannibal and return. Lines of railway not in the "Association" have been requested to grant same rate, which will undoubtedly be granted. Post Commanders are requested to call the attention of Ticket Agents in their locality, to the action taken by the Association in regard to rates, that they may provide themselves with tickets.

The rate from St. Joe to Hannibal and return will be \$6.30; from Kansas City \$5.95, and from St. Louis \$3.30.

The "Diamond Joe" Line of Steamboats offer the following rate, from St. Louis to Hannibal and return, going and returning by boat, or going by boat and returning via Hannibal and St. Louis R. R., \$4.00, including berth and two meals on boat.

The Jacksonville, Louisville and St. Louis Railway will sell tickets from any point on their line to Hannibal for one fare for round trip, for the accommodation of our comrades in Illinois.

XI. Department Inspector Jno. W. Scott, having been appointed Assistant Inspector General, has tendered his resignation as Department Inspector, and the same is hereby accepted.

XII. Comrade Geo. W. Bailey, of Ransom Post No. 131, is hereby appointed Department Inspector, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Comrade Jno. W. Scott, and will be obeyed accordingly.

XIII. The Department Commander invites attention of comrades to H. R. 7860, being a bill making an appropriation for the erection of a monument to commemorate the services and achievements of the private soldiers and sailors of the United States, in the late war of the rebellion, introduced by Hon. D. K. Watson, of Ohio; and while the Department Commander is of the opinion that history will eventually concede full justice to the private soldiers, after the last one of us has answered the final roll-call, and constitute the greatest of all monuments, yet, the object of said bill is highly commendable, and favorable expression by Posts will be transmitted to proper officials, if the same be placed in the hands of the Department Commander.

Individual letters may be sent direct to Hon. D. K. Watson, M. C., Washington, D. C.

XIV. The incomplete arrangements thus far made to establish a Soldiers' Home, make it desirable that the various Posts consider the subject in order that the delegates to our Encampment may have the benefit of the views and conclusions of their constituents upon this important subject.

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XVI. General Orders Nos. 7 and 8, National Headquarters, and General Order No. 11, these Headquarters, are herewith enclosed, and to which the Department Commander invites your attention.

By order of LOUIS BENECKE, Department Commander:

OFFICIAL: JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

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Page 7, for Wm. A. Warner read Wm. Warner.

Page 72, Committee on Resolutions, add Geo. D. Reynolds.

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WARRENSBURG, MISSOURI,

MAY 13 AND 14, 1897.

Reported by Comrade C. C. Cowen, Stenographer, Post 1, St. Louis.

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THOS. B. RODGERS, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

The Third Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri adopted the following *Order of Business* and the *Rules of Order* for the National Encampment, so far as the same may be applicable to a Department.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening of the Encampment.
2. Calling Roll of Officers.
3. Report of Committee on Credentials.
4. Calling Roll of Members.
5. Reports of Officers.
6. Appointment of Committee on Reports of Officers, and such other Committees as may be necessary.
7. Reception and Reference of Communications.
8. Reports of Committees.
9. Miscellaneous Business.
10. Election of Officers and Delegates to National Encampment.
11. Installation of Officers.

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— HELD AT —

Pertle Springs (Warrensburg), Missouri, May 13th and 14th, 1897.

FIRST DAY, 10:30 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Sixteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, in pursuance of General Orders No. 9, convened at the Pavillion, Pertle Springs, Mo., May 13th, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., and was called to order by Department Commander Thomas B. Rodgers.

The Encampment was formally opened with prayer by Department Chaplain, Thomas H. Hagerty:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we, thy children, veterans of a great and national war, are assembled this bright morning in our Department Encampment. We adore Thee, as our maker, preserver and bountiful benefactor. Thou has given us not only being, but an

intelligent being, a national life, and one of the largest and most wholesome liberty, privileges exalted to heaven, and opportunities as wide as human possibilities. We pray for wisdom and grace to make proper use of them. We thank Thee for the lives and health of our officers and men, and that so few of our comrades have died during the year. We are grateful that so much of prosperity has attended our Order. That our comrades have so generally lived pure and noble lives, free from crime and dishonor that would tarnish the honorable record of the past. God keep us all in the right way, free from indolence, immorality, dissipation or crime. Thou didst keep our men from the ravages of disease, thrust of gleaming bayonet, fiercing whirl of musket ball, and wasting disease of dismal prison pens. Now keep us all free from the subtle enemies of home and civil life. Save us from the intolerable horror of seeing a brave and manly veteran falling by the wayside in the civil march of life. We now ask for wisdom and grace to do our work in this Encampment. Help us to remember that we "be brethren" and that Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty should always control our words and actions, so that when we part we may have pleasant memories of each other, and thus march on in life's journey 'till we pass to the great camping ground above. Bless and prosper our order everywhere. Bless our national officers, and may they be wise to plan and brave to execute orders. We pray for our rulers, national, state and civil, that they may be pure, patriotic and free from all taint of corruption. May our nation be long preserved as the home of liberty, equal rights, and a pure ballot cast by intelligent and patriotic citizens. We pray for the nations of the world, that they may learn war no more, but practice virtue and live uprightly. Hear us as we pray for the oppressed Cuba, downtrodden, and burned in the fierce fires of a horrible war. Pity we beseech Thee the poor and oppressed Armenian, suffering in the cradle of the human race. Stay the bloody tread of the heartless Turk, and let peace with her fostering wings hover over that old home of the race. Thanking Thee for untold mercies, and praying for Thy providential care over us now in Encampment assembled, our families at home, we bow, and give our hearts earnest adoration in the name of Christ, Our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

The hall was now cleared of all persons not members of the Grand Army, and the approaches were properly guarded, under the direction of the following named comrades of Post 78: J. H. Smith, Officer of the Day; John Fireovid, Officer of the Guard.

The Department Commander: The Sixteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, is now open in due form. The first order of business is the calling of the roll of officers.

The roll of officers was called by the Assistant Adjutant-General, as follows, those marked with an asterisk (*) being present:

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
*THOS. B. RODGERS.

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
*THOS. W. EVANS.

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
*B. KNOEPFEL.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR,
DR. J. F. NICHOLS.

CHAPLAIN,
*REV. T. H. HAGERTY.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL AND ASSISTANT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,
*JNO. B. PACHALL.

INSPECTOR,
*JNO. P. PLATT.

JUDGE ADVOCATE,
ALVIN HAYNIE,

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER,
*T. B. TUTTLE.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,
N. W. TAYLOR. L. C. HESSE. JOS. A. WHERRY.
*A. O. ENGLEMAN. *C. A. MOSMAN.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

*WILLIAM WARNER.
W. F. CHAMBERLAIN.
*NELSON COLE.
†E. E. KIMBALL.
*CHAS. W. WHITEHEAD.
*LOUIS GRUND.

*HIRAM SMITH, JR.
JOHN E. PHELPS.
*LEO RASSIEUR.
*GEORGE W. MARTIN.
*CHARLES G. BURTON.
*LOUIS BENECKE.

† Deceased.

ROLL OF THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.

**Held at Pertle Springs (Warrensburg), Mo.,
May 13th and 14th, 1897.**

The following is the Roll of the Encampment as presented by the Committee on Credentials, consisting of comrades A. W. Rogers, Post 78; J. W. Beach, Post 7; D. P. Stubblefield, Post 33; J. W. Jinkins, Post 8, and adopted by the Encampment.

Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Chas. F. Vogel.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. B. Rodgers, Nelson Cole, Jas. McClure, Sol. Boehm, F. S. Maxwell, F. M. Sterrett, W. H. Scott, Jno. B. Pachall, Cord. Ringen, Arthur Dreifus.

Representatives, Edw. Hitchcock, Christ Fricke, Adam Fischer, Micheal Fritz, Fred. Flammger, Arnold Beck, Wm. Pachedag, Thos. H. Macklind, Louis Coop, G. W. Carmichael, Fred. Schoening, B. A. Suppan, T. J. Hazlett.

Gen. Lyon Post No. 2, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Jno. C. Benseik.

Past Post Commanders, J. M. Gruen, Hy. Evers, C. A. Von Brocke, Adam Otenstein, Chas. Niedringhaus.

Representatives, Christ Niedringhaus, Casper Stolle, Adam Wenzel, A. Kleintopf.

McPherson Post No. 4, Kansas City.

Post Commander, Jas. Crosson.

Past Post Commanders, F. F. Snow, Chas. W. Burrell, J. B. Davis, E. F. Rogers, Alf. Brant, C. A. Day.

Representatives, Jas. A. Stewart, Perry Lightle, Chris. Schmidt.

A. Lincoln Post No. 5, Moberly.

Post Commander, H. O. Jaco.

Past Post Commanders, Alex. McCandless, W. S. Betts, John W. Scott, Geo. B. Shed, S. S. Rich, A. B. Thompson, J. B. Cotty.

Representatives, Wm. Maynard, Nic. Mathius.

James A. Garfield Post No. 6, Jefferson City.

Post Commander, J. B. Brooks.

Past Post Commander, W. H. Lusk.

Representatives, L. V. Dix, W. A. Lockwood.

Custer Post No. 7, St. Joseph.

Post Commander, Richard Horrigan.
 Past Post Commander, J. W. Beach.
 Representatives, Ulrich Schneider, Jno. Harnois.

Farragut-Thomas Post No. 8, Kansas City.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Warner, R. C. Crowell, W. E. Henry,
 H. F. Devol, O. H. Guffin, C. W. Whitehead, J. W. Jenkins, M. J.
 Elliott, W. J. Cloud, Jere F. Dew.
 Representatives, A. F. Bullard, C. N. Brooks, W. D. Duncan.

Gen. Canby Post No. 10, Rich Hill.

Post Commander, Jas. Van Bentheuson.

John A. Mulligan Post No. 11, Lexington.

Post Commander, M. F. Stoddard.
 Past Post Commander, John B. Burris.
 Representative, Joshua Coulter.

Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, St. Louis.

Post Commander, H. B. Kramer.
 Past Post Commanders, L. C. Hesse, Tony Niederwieser, Louis
 Grund, J. G. Zimmerer, Chas. Totsch, Eugene Amour, Ernst Kretchmar,
 Peter Bobe, Chas. Guehne, John A. Goeb, I. Hartman, Geo. Neubert,
 Louis Young.
 Representatives, Martin Scherer, Francis P. Becker, Wm. Hahn,
 Jas. A. Beck, Henry Lange, Stephan Schwarts, Henry Miller, Max Fritz,
 H. Augermueller, A. Demuth, Frank Sebastian.

O. P. Morton Post No. 14, Joplin.

Past Post Commanders, H. Phelps, J. L. Briggs.
 Representatives, J. R. Goheen, J. R. York.

Stanton Post No. 16, Carthage.

Post Commander, L. J. Mathews.
 Past Post Commanders, J. L. Moore, T. B. Tuttle, Geo. C. Howen-
 stein.
 Representatives, A. C. Post, Frank Hill.

Joe Hooker Post No. 17, Cameron.

Post Commander, C. Hoskins.
 Past Post Commanders, J. S. Rogers, C. N. Burnham, E. W.
 Thomas.
 Representative, E. D. Cornish.

Sedgwick Post No. 21, Maryville.

Past Post Commanders, Chas. Hyslop, Henry E. Robinson, F. M.
 Cooper.
 Representative, Ira. K. Alderman.

Corporal Dix Post No. 22, Kirksville.

Past Post Commanders, B. F. Heiny, Solomon Conder.

F. A. Jones Post No. 23, Macon.

Representative, Chas. C. Burge.

Gen. Joe. Bailey Post No. 26, Nevada.

Post Commander, A. Epenauer.

Past Post Commanders, J. T. Birdseye, J. M. Monroe, C. G. Burton.

Tindall Post No. 29, Chillicothe.

Past Post Commanders, John W. Toppass, J. B. Tanner, H. J. Pringle.

Representative, Jas. Bench.

Capt. Wagner Post No. 31, Independence.

Post Commander, Moses A. Biggs.

S. A. Hurlburt Post No. 32, Hamilton.

Post Commander, J. F. Naylor.

Past Post Commanders, J. W. Harper, Geo. W. Snyder, A. E. Lee, W. H. Sloane.

Representative, Jeff Vannate.

Ben. Loan Post No. 33, Kingston.

Post Commander, James Powell.

Past Post Commanders, D. P. Stubblefield, R. D. Sackman, Wm. Brown, W. H. Heiser, John P. Platt, B. F. Klepfer, R. R. Miller, W. S. Dean, D. F. Motley, Joseph Everett, J. D. Ross.

Representative, Wm. Parmenter.

McCook Post No. 34, Lamar.

Post Commander, H. F. Barrett.

Past Post Commanders, F. D. W. Arnold, C. M. Miller, G. R. Ingersoll, S. M. Whitaker, C. H. Morgan.

Representative, B. D. Dean.

Peabody Post No. 41, Savannah.

Post Commander, Julius Schnitgens.

Past Post Commander, Wm. M. Kerr.

Albert Chandler Post No. 42, Macon.

Representative, Henry Dodd.

Wm. T. Sherman Post No. 43, Hannibal.

Past Post Commander, B. Knoepfel.

Representatives, Adam Theis, Jacob Hollenberger, D. McComas.

Christian Meyer Post No. 45, Oregon.

Past Post Commander, M. D. Walker.

Col. F. Schaefer Post No. 51, Concordia.

Post Commander, Henry W. Thieman.

Past Post Commanders, Otto Walkenhorst, W. M. Lee.

Representative, Claus Dittmer.

Gen. George R. Smith Post No. 53, Sedalia.

Post Commander, H. A. Blake.

Past Post Commanders, Daniel Grow, W. A. Fast, W. B. Challa-
combe, Ira T. Bronson, Jos. Kingsley.

Representatives, John Rippey, Jas. A. Capen, Joseph Starr, Geo. F.
Williams.

Thomas G. Wade Post No. 54, Unionville.

Past Post Commander, A. J. Bennett.

Representative, Jacob Garver.

O. H. Wood Post No. 57, Brookfield.

Past Post Commanders, Geo. W. Martin, R. W. Davis, J. V. Martin.

Bates County Post No. 58, Butler.

Past Post Commanders, A. L. McBride, Hy. Speer, Wm. Page.

Representative, F. M. Whyatt.

Winfield Scott Post No. 63, Holden.

Past Post Commander, Wm. F. Shields.

Representative, Wm Chappell.

Golden City Post No. 64, Golden City.

Post Commander, W. F. Stemons.

Representative, E. W. Elliott.

Col. Wm. Wilkinson Post No. 65, Mound City.

Representative, E. C. Blackney.

Tarkio Post No. 67, Tarkio.

Representative, O. M. Fuller.

Gen. E. D. Baker Post No. 68, Green Ridge.

Past Post Commanders, Chas. E. Wadleigh, Levi Overmier, C. A.
Paige.

Capt. John Mathews Post No. 69, Springfield.

Post Commander, C. P. Woodruff.

Past Post Commander, J. P. Tracy.

Representatives, J. W. Eidridge, W. C. Calland.

Col. Jacob Smith Post No. 72, Trenton.

Past Post Commanders, Geo. Hall, W. B. Rogers.

Representative, M. Bosworth.

John A. Dix Post No. 76, Kidder.

Past Post Commander, E. S. Gurney.

Col. Grover Post No. 78, Warrensburg.

Post Commander, W. L. Hedges.

Past Post Commanders, A. W. Rogers, W. H. Mayfield, A. B. Logan,
Chas. E. Clark, G. T. Hayes, Robt. Mears, G. Fred. Savage, D. F.
Beegle, Wm. Lowe, John Eyre, Thos. Evans.

Representatives, J. A. Drummond, W. H. Lee, John Adams.

L. W. Cooper Post No. 81, Lathrop.

Past Post Commander, B. J. Burk.

Representatives, H. P. Thompson, P. Dyhes.

Yeager-Sharp Post No. 82, Wellsville.

Post Commander, J. B. McQuil.

Past Post Commander, H. R. Stetson.

Representative, R. D. Gilliland.

C. G. Harker Post No. 83, Meadville.

Past Post Commander, Geo. W. Norton.

Representative, Lewis Young.

Capt. C. C. Harvey Post No. 96, Maysville.

Post Commander, Daniel Perry.

Past Post Commander, Jas. T. Griffin.

Representative, W. H. Young.

G. B. Boomer Post No. 97, Linn.

Post Commander, Xavier Bonnet.

Chilhowee Post No. 103, Chilhowee.

Post Commander, J. H. Vance.

Past Post Commander, Alonzo Gittings.

Arthur Crockett Post No. 106, Malta Bend.

Post Commander, Wm. Nye.

Past Post Commander, J. W. Blackburn.

Harry P. Harding Post No. 107, St. Louis.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Neihaus, Cyrus M. Gregg, Chas. T.
Kerls.

Representatives, Geo. Schubert, Wm. Drechsler, Christian Schmidt.

Jeff. C. Davis Post No. 108, Versailles.

Post Commander, W. T. Bowen.

Jewell Post No. 118, Mt. Vernon.

Past Post Commander, E. Boucher.

Lieut. T. D. Neal Post No. 124, Bethany.

Past Post Commanders, W. H. Skinner, Jacob Noll.

Fred. Miller Post No. 130, Tina.

Post Commander, W. T. Munson.

Past Post Commander, J. T. Beans.

Representative, M. G. Garner.

Ransom Post No. 131, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Wm. G. Hills.

Past Post Commanders, A. G. Peterson, J. F. Cluley, J. B. Wild,
Geo. A. Newcomb, A. E. Cook.

Representatives, D. R. Haynes, S. M. Sparklin, Adam Roth, M. M.
Clark, Chas. P. Ghesebro, G. W. Barstow, A. L. Messmore, Hy. Fair-
back, S. D. Webster.

Avalon Post No. 146, Avalon.

Past Post Commander, Isaac Leeper.

Representative, James McClery.

Liberty Post No. 150, Spickardsville.

Representatives, G. A. Spickard, J. J. Clark.

D. N. Keeler Post No. 152, Melrose.

Representative, August Weidner.

Jesse H. Moore Post No. 168, Braymer.

Past Post Commanders, A. J. McKnight, D. C. Feese, S. S. Lindsey,
H. W. Riegel, H. B. Miffert, Milton James.

Representative, Albert Gorty.

Gen. J. B. Steadman Post No. 172, Appleton City.

Past Post Commanders, W. F. McColley, J. H. Smith, H. W. Wood.

Representative, Alex. Oliver.

Justi Post No. 173, Cape Girardeau.

Post Commander, Louis F. Klosterman.

Past Post Commander, Aug. Bierwith.

Representative, F. W. Pott.

Maj. Hiram Gavitt Post No. 174, Fredrickstown.

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Past Post Commander, B. B. Cahoon.

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Post Commander, W. B. Mullins.

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Capt. W. G. Murray Post No. 179, Memphis.

Representative, Geo. Sharr.

Stambaugh Post No. 180, Austin.

Post Commander, Geo. F. Whitman.

Past Post Commander, E. L. Clark.

Maj. Hunt Post No. 185, Centre.

Past Post Commander, F. Buchanan.

W. B. Goodrich Post No. 190, Webb City.

Post Commander, W. H. Hougharvout.

Geo. N. McGee Post No. 206, Camden.

Past Post Commander, William Greer.

Col. Brooks Post No. 207, Hannibal.

Post Commander, Hy. Washington.

Sergt. Ryan Post No. 214, Brashear.

Representative, N. E. Lane.

Pickett Post No. 215, Farmington.

Past Post Commander, E. D. Hopkins.

Norcross Post No. 221, Novelty.

Representative, W. E. Pond.

S. T. Turley Post No. 222, Bancroft.

Past Post Commander, M. G. Netherton.

Thos. J. Brouster Post No. 233, Clayton.

Representative, Henry Seible.

Gen. Fred. D. Steele Post No. 235, Montrose.

Post Commander, J. D. Earhardt.

Past Post Commander, P. H. Sullivan.

Farnsworth Post No. 237, Warsaw.

Post Commander, Geo. W. Bennett.

Past Post Commanders, N. B. Petts, Geo. W. Laird, J. Authrieth,
C. M. Pyle.**W. S. Hancock Post No. 239, Mexico.**

Representative, G. Fuemmer.

John A. Hayn Post No. 240, Boonville.

Post Commander, Joseph Lieber.

Past Post Commander, James Taylor.

Representatives, Nicholas Smith, Wm. McMillian.

Fred. Steel Post No. 244, Cole Camp.

Post Commander, R. M. Neff.

Past Post Commanders, J. E. Phifer, G. N. Richards.

Representative, J. B. Lemon.

Ulysses Post No. 250, Mirabile.

Past Post Commanders, S. Wise, M. V. B. Wilson.
Representative, Wm. Clifton.

Col. Leonard Post No. 251, Eldorado Springs.

Representative, D. C. Graves.

Mt. Pleasant Post No. 253, Belton.

Past Post Commander, J. M. Graybeal.
Representative, W. H. Lightcap.

Sergt. Maj. McIntosh Post No. 261, Hermitage.

Past Post Commander, Wm. McCracken.

Johnson Post No. 262, Centralia.

Representative, Joseph Eckley.

Morgan L. Smith Post No. 264, Deepwater.

Past Post Commander, L. L. H. Cherington.

Pinhart Post No. 268, Brunswick.

Post Commander, Louis Bennecke.

Past Post Commanders, Benjamin Showers, Joseph Gross, J. E. Lewis.

Representative, George Hechler.

Difani Post No. 273, Perryville.

Past Post Commander, A. H. Cashion.
Representative, John Devine.

Henry Brown Post No. 276, Clarksburg.

Post Commander, W. H. Sturgess.

Past Post Commanders, D. K. Steele, G. W. Soffington, Wm. H. Mengel, L. W. Barton, J. W. Moore, J. M. Williams.
Representatives, Fred. Bentrop, Michael Minsterer, H. D. Graves.

Wakefield Stanley Post No. 282, Carrollton.

Past Post Commander, Louis Blakely.
Representative, M. M. Pitts.

Jim Carnes Post No. 285, Rockport.

Post Commander, Geo. Steck.

Warren Post No. 287, Rockville.

Representative, Amos Pontius.

John S. Phelps Post No. 297, St. James.

Past Post Commanders, R. C. Carpenter, A. Mueller.

Chas. Demny Post No. 301, St. Louis.

Post Commander, C. E. Koken.

Representative, John Olinger.

John A. Logan Post No. 304, St. Louis.

Past Post Commander, David Murphy.

Dan McCook Post No. 312, Leesville.

Past Post Commander, M. G. Condon.

Gen. Hunter Post No. 317, Lamonte.

Post Commander, P. R. McCune.

Past Post Commanders, John Jackson, J. S. White, John Patten.

Representative, Wm. Parison.

Adrian Post No. 327, Adrian.

Post Commander, W. S. Mahan.

Gordon Granger Post No. 329, Clinton.

Post Commander, E. G. Canan.

Past Post Commander, Jas. Wood.

Representative, William Tillman.

McCluney Post No. 331, Higginsville.

Post Commander, J. B. Jones.

James Ward Post No. 337, Jasper.

Representative, J. W. Laforce.

Evans Post No. 340, Economy.

Past Post Commander, John McDaniel.

Representative, Joseph Yetter.

Col. Shaw Post No. 343, St. Louis.

Representatives, Geo. W. Edwards, A. Dupree.

R. L. Ferguson Post No. 358, Sweet Springs.

Post Commander, John H. Coulter.

Past Post Commanders, S. C. Davis, James C. Wood.

Representative, Henry Smith.

Sac River Post No. 362, Seybert.

Representative, W. W. Morgan.

Upton Post No. 366, Sheridan.

Past Post Commander, R. Boatman.

Harwood Post No. 375, Harwood.

Past Post Commander, O. J. Gee.

Capt. J. W. Robertson Post No. 377, Ozark.

Post Commander, G. W. Roper.
Past Post Commander, R. O'Neil.

Dawn Post No. 384, Osceola.

Post Commander, J. H. Reading.

Albert Harrison Post No. 386, Climax Springs.

Representative, C. H. Easman.

Southwest City Post No. 392, Southwest City.

Representative, Chas. Mitchell.

Capt. J. A. Bowers Post No. 393, Milford.

Representative, Lewis Burghardt.

Sergt. Clay Shaw Post No. 418, Sedalia.

Post Commander, Elbert Wright
Past Post Commander, C. S. Walden.
Representative, Harrison White.

Columbia Post No. 432, Columbia.

Post Commander, Ambrose Johnson.
Representative, Isaac Ellis.

E. E. Kimball Post No. 453, Middletown.

Past Commander, A. F. Butler.
Representative, L. Nutter.

John Whalen Post No. 459, St. Joseph.

Post Commander, Wm. Washington.
Past Post Commander, Henry De Bell.

Vandalia Post No. 466, Vandalia.

Representative, Artemas L. Schattack.

Maj. Leonard Post No. 468, Higbee.

Post Commander, John W. Floyde.
Representative, John Addler.

T. R. Lane Post No. 479, Montreal.

Post Commander, J. L. Wintrey.

J. C. Fremont Post No. 482, Norris.

Past Post Commander, W. G. Smith.

Col. Meumann Post No. 496, St. Louis.

Past Post Commander, J. F. Young.
Representatives, C. A. Rosenberger, Fred. Flentje.

Col. P. Cornyn Post No. 505, Chamois.

Representative, T. J. Mahan.

Harrison A. Gleim Post No. 512, Tipton.

Post Commander, Adolph Koechner.

Geo. W. Murphy Post No. 525, Cowgill.

Past Post Commanders, A. F. McCray, A. C. Hawkins.

Geo. Walker Post No. 526, Darlington.

Post Commander, E. D. Canon.

Tecumseh Post No. 537, Ridge Prairie.

Post Commander, L. C. Schackleford.

Representative, J. I. Duvall.

J. H. Weirich Post No. 540, Spring Bluff.

Representative, Thos. Evans.

T. L. Hampton Post No. 546, Newport.

Past Post Commander, Fred. R. Smith.

Col. J. A. Davis Post No. 549, Windsor.

Representative, J. A. Wesner.

Gatzweiler Post No. 554, St. Charles.

Post Commander, Louis H. Breker.

Representative, H. G. C. Dammer.

The Department Commander: The next order of business is the reports of officers. These reports have been printed and bound as usual, and after the reading of the Department Commander's address, they will be distributed to the members of the Encampment.

Senior Vice Department Commander in the chair.

ADDRESS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT OF MO., G. A. R. }
ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 10, 1897. }

Comrades:

When our last Department Encampment selected Warrensburg as the place for the meeting of our Sixteenth Annual Encampment, it was not known that it would be our good fortune to hold our meeting at Pertle Springs. Our comrades therefore "buidled wiser than they knew" when they made this selection. Surrounded as we are here by all the beauties of nature, adorned by art, amid the sylvan shades of this rural retreat, we may rest assured that the harmony and good fellowship which has characterized our former meetings will prevail to a still greater extent in harmony with our pleasant surroundings.

In the history and working of our organization, the past year has not been an eventful one. The reports of the various Staff and Department Officers will be found to give in detail the condition of the affairs of the Department, and I commend them to your careful consideration. Some matters contained therein, however, require more than a passing notice.

FINANCES.

It will be observed from the report of the Assistant Adjutant General that our membership has decreased to such an extent that the receipts from per capita tax and other sources are not sufficient to pay the ordinary and necessary expenses of the Department. On December 31, 1894, there was a cash balance on hand of \$1,922.67; on December 31, 1896, this balance was reduced to \$99.66, with \$787.00 of bills due and unpaid, showing that in the two years, 1895 and 1896, we have spent about \$2,600 more than we have received. This has been due almost wholly to the reduction in receipts from per capita tax, sale of supplies and muster fees from new Posts. It will be necessary, in my judgment, not only to increase the rate of per capita tax, but also to reduce our expenses by a suitable reduction in the salaries of the Assistant Adjutant General and the Inspector. In this connection it should be borne in mind that the Assistant Adjutant General is also the Assistant Quartermaster General, and performs the duties of both offices, requiring him to devote all his time to the work.

For the information of the Encampment I will state that the per capita tax was established at ten cents per quarter at our first Department Encampment in 1882, was continued at that rate until 1885, when it was reduced to six and one-quarter cents; remaining at that rate until 1887, when it was raised to ten cents. It was reduced in 1889 to seven and one-half cents, and in 1890 to five cents, at which rate it has

since remained. I might add that there are but few Departments whose rate of per capita tax is so low as ours, and none I think lower. Since the change from quarterly to semi-annual reports in 1891 the rate has been ten cents for each six months.

While our losses from suspension have been great, other Departments have suffered fully as much, and we still retain our relative rank in point of membership, being seventh. Hard times and scarcity of money may account for a part of the loss, but the main cause may be found in the increasing age and infirmities of the comrades, many of whom find it difficult to keep up their interest in the Order by attending Post meetings and thus become suspended. It would seem as if with financial improvement and a return of prosperous times we would for a time at least hold our own, if not slightly increase our numbers, but at best this would in the nature of things be but temporary, and we must face the inevitable, in obedience to nature's laws, and see our ranks, which cannot be recruited from younger blood, more rapidly depleted in the not distant future.

DEPARTMENT LOANS.

One of the loans made by the Department, owing to the shrinkage of values and other causes, not being in satisfactory condition, the last Department Encampment, by resolution, authorized Department Commander Benecke to appoint a standing committee of three to serve for one, two and three years, respectively, whose duty it shall be to have charge of Department loans. The committee consists of Comrades J. L. Briggs, Nelson Cole and C. W. Whitehead. This committee has given a great deal of time and consideration to the subject and has prepared a report which will be presented to the Encampment. I have been in hearty accord with the committee and have given them all needed facilities. They deserve the thanks of the Encampment. I heartily endorse the result of their action and recommend it for the approval of the Encampment.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

The self-sacrificing services of the patriotic women of the country during the war, in supplying the needs and ministering to the sick and wounded of the Union armies, have made for them a record of imperishable fame. In these later days of peace, the members of the patriotic organization of the Woman's Relief Corps in their noble work of aiding and caring for the needy and destitute Union Veteran and his family, have made and are making for themselves fully as grand a record. In their gentle and womanly way they have carried joy and comfort to many a stricken home, which could not have been reached so well by the Grand Army of the Republic. It is a pleasure to know from Mrs. Lucinda A. Scott, the able and energetic Department President, that

their organization is prospering and extending its means of usefulness. As our only acknowledged auxiliaries, I commend them to your warmest support.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS SOLDIERS' HOME.

This home, located at St. James, Mo., one hundred miles southwest from St. Louis, on the line of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway, will stand as a lasting monument to the credit of the Woman's Relief Corps of Missouri, aided by comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. To the women it owes its existence. When others faltered, they never lost faith nor hope, but went steadily forward, until on October 25th of last year they had the satisfaction of dedicating the home and opening it for the use of the needy comrades and their wives for whom it was intended. By means of a fund of over \$3,600, derived from a Patriotic Concert given in the Convention Auditorium, at St. Louis, in June last, added to the amount already on hand of nearly \$2,000, the Board of Directors were enabled to make all changes and repairs necessary to make the buildings fit for occupancy. The rooms were generally furnished by donations from individuals, Posts and Corps.

Subsequently at the session of the Legislature last winter a bill was passed making it a State Home, and appropriating \$5,000 per year for two years toward its maintenance. This with the \$100 allowed by the United States Government for each soldier inmate of a State home, will enable the institution to maintain as many as the home will accommodate, about fifty or sixty persons. There are at present fourteen inmates. The law provides for the appointment by the Governor of nine trustees for the government of the home, of whom six shall be ex-Union soldiers and three may be members of the Woman's Relief Corps. The Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home Association, a corporation, has authorized its Board of Directors to turn over the property of the home to the trustees as soon as the same shall be appointed by the Governor. The trustees appointed are John W. Noble, St. Louis; John W. Farris, Lebanon; L. T. Watson, Springfield; R. C. Carpenter, St. James; Henry Fairback, St. Louis; Louis Benecke, Brunswick; Chas. F. Vogel, St. Louis; Mrs. Ada G. Briggs, Joplin; Mrs. Frances M. Wheeler, Kansas City.

The officers of the Association charged with the management of the affairs of the Home deserve the thanks of every Union soldier for what they have accomplished since our last Encampment, at which time no one expected that within a year we should see "Old Glory" flying permanently over a Union Soldiers' Home in the State of Missouri.

SONS OF VETERANS.

For the first time in the history of our organization in Missouri, the Sons of Veterans hold their Annual Encampment at the same time and place as the Grand Army of the Republic. We are glad to see them, and we bid them welcome. Our meeting thus, will bring us closer

together and be productive of good to each organization. We cannot better perpetuate the principles upon which our order rests than by encouraging these young men, our sons and natural successors, in the work they have undertaken. I feel sure they will appreciate it.

The fact that they are the sons of Union soldiers is of course to their credit, but they must make a patriotic record of their own—not by a baptism of fire, for we all hope that not in our day shall there be a call for service in the field—but by a devotion to duty in civil life, as good citizens upholding the great principles for which their fathers fought and for which so many of them died.

GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

The Grand Army of the Republic stands for order and good government and is inflexibly opposed to all that would disturb either. The anarchist, the disturber of the public peace, the demagogue that would insidiously assail the conservative forces of society and social order, will find no friends in the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic. Wherever a Grand Army Post is found in any community, it will be found to be a nucleus of good citizenship. The men who stood as a living wall against the waves of treason and rebellion when they dashed in vain against the ramparts of the Union in time of war, will be found in time of peace, equally determined in support of the great principles for which they fought, and under which all are to-day enjoying a peaceful life in the land they have helped to save.

PENSIONS.

Republics, it has been said, are ungrateful, but this cannot truthfully be said of ours, for no nation on earth has dealt more generously with its defenders. Everything we united to ask for in the way of pension legislation has been granted. What we have justly to complain of is, that the laws have not always been administered in the spirit of justice and patriotism in which they were enacted. We have a right to demand that all unnecessary obstacles be removed, and every worthy applicant be treated, not as a supplicant for charity, or as one having criminal designs upon the treasury, but as one who has deserved well of his country by his patriotic services in her hour of need. The liberal appropriations annually made by the peoples' representatives should be dispensed in no niggardly nor grudging spirit, but the recipients of the Nation's bounty should be made to feel that they are only receiving what is their own. And we should see to it that no one, who in his youthful days bore high the banner of the Republic and bared his breast to the storm of battle on many a hard fought field, should be left in his old age to die neglected and forgotten and find a last resting place in the potter's field.

MEMORIAL DAY.

The fact that Memorial Day is now by law a legal holiday in the State of Missouri, makes it more than ever necessary that we should use every effort to secure its proper observance and discountenance its desecration by games and frivolous amusements, to which many are naturally inclined on public holidays. In all places the graves are increasing, and in many the survivors are growing few. Those who remain should therefore take the greater interest, and should so characterize the observance and significance of the day, that after the Grand Army of the Republic shall have fulfilled its mission and shall have passed away, it shall continue to teach its patriotic lessons and keep alive in the hearts of the people to the latest generation, tender and grateful memories of those who imperiled their lives for the preservation of the Union.

PICKET POSTS.

Your attention is especially invited to the change in the Rules and Regulations made by the National Encampment last year, whereby Departments may authorize Posts to divide their membership into two classes, resident and non-resident members, fixing the limits within which each class may reside, and when a sufficient number of non-resident members are in any locality they may be organized as an out-post of a Post. Something similar to this had been previously tried in the Departments of Wisconsin and Minnesota and had been found to work well. Where the comrades are widely scattered, the adoption of this plan is calculated to increase and preserve the membership, and may prevent the entire disbandment of many small Posts. The details in full will be found in Proceedings of the Thirtieth National Encampment, Page 250, and in General Orders No. 3, National Headquarters, November 14, 1896.

RE-UNIONS.

The annual County and District Re-unions throughout the State are full of interest to all who are so fortunate as to attend. The attendance each year continues large and the interest and enthusiasm unabated. Comrades with their whole families leave their homes and journey for miles, often fifty or more, with their teams and camping outfit, to meet in camp and touch elbows with their old comrades, keep step to the old music and renew for a few days the memories of the war. So many of these meetings being held about the same time made it impossible for me to be present at all of them, and others were held too near the time of the meeting of the National Encampment to permit me to attend. I attended as many as I could, giving preference to those localities that had never been visited by a Department Commander.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The attendance from our Department at the National Encampment at St. Paul last year was most creditable in point of numbers, and the Posts that took part in the parade, by their soldierly bearing and appearance, as usual, sustained the high reputation of the Department.

The weather was the most delightful we have enjoyed for years on such an occasion, and all the arrangements of the citizens and comrades of St. Paul for the entertainment and comfort of the visiting comrades and their families, were on a scale which has not been surpassed at any previous Encampment.

The following named Department Officers and Representatives were present at the Encampment: Department Commander, Thos. B. Rodgers; Senior Vice Department Commander, Thos. W. Evans; Assistant Adjutant General, John B. Pachall. Representatives: Adam Theis, A. W. St. John, Jere T. Dew, Wm. Coy, W. S. Betts, H. E. Robinson, T. H. Hagerty, J. W. Eldridge, Louis Burkhardt, Henry F. Glahn, C. W. Corkran, John C. Bensiek. Alternates, having seats as Representatives: A. E. Cook, Wm. Niehaus, John W. Toppass, J. T. Birdseye, George Hall.

SUSPENSIONS.

It appears from the report of the Assistant Adjutant General that the suspensions last year numbered 1,481, and the total number remaining suspended, 5,512. It is gratifying to note that the suspensions are decreasing, but there is no reason why the number remaining suspended should not have been long since greatly reduced, if not nearly wiped out. Many Posts have more on the suspended list than the number in good standing. Comrades have been carried for years as suspended, who have removed and have been long since lost sight of, and it is not known if they are living or dead. All such should be dropped from the rolls. There is no reason why this should not have been done years ago, unless it be the backwardness of Post officers to take the trouble of looking back over the books and reports to find out by name who the suspended comrades are. All suspended comrades should be dropped when there is no reasonable prospect of reinstating them. The longer suspended comrades are carried, the more difficult becomes their reinstatement. Under the Rules and Regulations it is easier to reinstate a "dropped" comrade than one who is suspended and is several years in arrears. In the latter case he must pay up his arrearages unless remitted by the Post, which should always be done when he is unable to pay. In the former, he can be reinstated by his own or any other Post on payment of an amount not exceeding one year's dues; it may be made less.

I would therefore urge the officers of Posts to give this matter their early and personal attention; to go through their lists of suspended and get rid of all the dead wood which encumbers them and which they are carrying to no useful purpose.

PAUPER COMRADES.

It appears from the report of the Medical Director that six Posts have reported that seven comrades have been allowed to become a public charge, and are now inmates of alms-houses. To allow them to remain

there for a day longer than is absolutely necessary, would be a disgrace to the Department. Immediate application should be made for their admission to the Soldiers' Home at St. James, Mo. Prompt action on the part of the Board of Trustees will transfer these unfortunate comrades from their pauper surroundings to the comforts of a home, and relieve the Department from the stigma which now rests upon it.

THE FLAG.

The Department Inspector reports that the flag of the Union floats over 562 school houses in the State. It is hoped the good work will go on, and that the comrades and all good citizens will not cease to labor, until Missouri shall be found in line with her twenty or more sister Commonwealths, by the enactment of a law by which the children in every school district in the State will see the National flag displayed on top of their school house, as an object lesson and symbol of all that is great and good in our government.

GOOD FELLOWSHIP.

The report of the Judge Advocate, in which he states that he has not had occasion to pass upon a single case of court martial during the year, corroborates the good opinion expressed by our worthy Department Chaplain as to the high moral standing of our organization. It is gratifying to know that the representatives of both the law and the gospel concur on this point.

No court martial cases have come to the notice of the Department Commander, and while losses by dishonorable discharge have not been frequent in our Department, the reports do not record a single one during the past year. There is no Department in the country where the spirit of true comradeship and good fellowship prevails more generally than in our own. In all our history we have had no contending factions. Whatever contests we have had, have been friendly ones and devoid of bitterness.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, I desire to thank the Officers of my Staff and other Department Officers for the faithful manner in which they have discharged their various duties. Our association has been a most pleasant one to me, both personally and officially, and I part from them with regret.

To my comrades of the Department I desire to express my grateful appreciation of the high honor they have conferred upon me and to thank them for their uniform courtesy and kindness. When I shall have taken my place again in the ranks, I shall, as the years go by, still more highly prize this manifestation of your confidence and esteem.

I wish you, one and all, many and prosperous years.

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Department Commander.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R., }
OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER, }
ST. JOSEPH, MO., April 21, 1897. }

THOS. B. RODGERS, ESQ., Department Commander, St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Comrade: In accordance with established usage, I herewith submit my report as Senior Vice Department Commander.

The duties of this officer are neither manifold nor onerous—similar to the position of Lieutenant Colonel of a Regiment when the Colonel is present for duty. He is simply watchful of the interests of the Department and when requested advise with the Commander.

During the past year, I have not been called upon to consider any matter of magnitude, as the affairs of the Department have not required the calling together of the Council of Administration. I have not made as many visits to the different Posts in the Department as I wished, during the year, but the political campaign of 1896—long to be remembered by all who took any part therein—was such that business men, and, particularly those engaged in the same line with me, found it very necessary to be on guard constantly and to keep their eye on the gun.

I have made some visits to Posts in the northwestern portion of the Department and have found the camp-fires burning brightly. The boys are all filled with the spirit of fraternity, charity and loyalty, and any comrade who can take the time to meet with any of the neighboring Posts will find a warm welcome and be well repaid in the renewing of the ties which bound us together in '61-'65.

I have heard much complaint by comrades throughout the Department of the manner in which the officials of our government in charge of the Pension Bureau, during the past few years, have either reduced their pensions or cut them off entirely. Let us hope that this will be remedied very soon, and that those who have been granted a pension for meritorious service or on account of disease which has rendered so many unable to earn a comfortable living—if, perchance, not entirely helpless—may be permitted to receive the small amount allotted to them, without the possibility of having it withheld by anyone who may think that he is better able to pass upon the justice of the allowance than were those by whom it was granted originally.

We are all growing older, year by year, and some faces which have been familiar to us in our annual meetings will not be seen again in this world. There are few of us who have not more friends on the other shore than on this. Let us each strive to do what we can for our

comrades while here, for the morning of opportunity will soon pass. There are some of our comrades to whom we can render service if we will. On the 30th of May, each year, we gather to render our tribute to those who are dead. We should do this. The nation honors us for so doing. But while we remember the dead, let us not forget the living.

“Swift kindnesses are best, a long delay
In kindness, takes the kindness all away.”

It was my privilege and pleasure to attend the National Encampment held at St. Paul in September last, and I cannot refrain from complimenting the department upon the soldierly bearing of those who took part in the parade and of all who were present at the Encampment. The train upon which I journeyed to St. Paul should have arrived there at an early hour on the morning of the parade, but as we were delayed by numerous causes—principally an overloaded train—I did not reach the city until after the parade had formed and had started on the line of march. It was impossible for me to join on horseback—although a mount was awaiting me—so I fell in with Blair Post and marched with them. As was promised by the St. Paul boys in Louisville when presenting the advantages of that city for the Encampment of 1896, the march was all down hill. A more pleasant and beautiful day for the parade we have never had at any National Encampment, and the people of St. Paul were evidently striving to surpass in hospitality all cities in which the Encampment has been held. The freedom of the city was granted to all who, on this occasion, or in former years, wore the blue. I am confident that there is no regret on the part of the boys that at Louisville the choice for place was given to St. Paul. “Old Glory” was everywhere in evidence, and the living flag was a feature which can never be forgotten by any who were so fortunate as to see it.

I am proud to know that in our department of Missouri, the flag which we so dearly love, and for which we periled our lives, is seen much more frequently than it was some years ago, before the Grand Army of the Republic put forth its efforts to have it float over the school houses. Long may it wave!

To the comrades of the Department I shall ever feel grateful for the honor of being chosen Senior Vice Commander.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

THOS. W. EVANS,
Senior Vice Department Commander.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
OFFICE OF JUNIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER, }
HANNIBAL, Mo., April 23, 1897. }

THOMAS B. RODGERS, Department Commander.

Dear Sir and Comrade: Had you loaded me down with a duty to perform I would feel more comfortable in writing this report than I now do, but knowing the fact of serving under a vigorous and capable Commander, the office of Junior Vice Department Commander has been rather ornamental than useful. I have not had the pleasure of visiting any Posts outside of my own jurisdiction, as I have had no occasion to be called upon. My own Post I have given all of my attention, and with the aid of all the comrades we have had a pleasant administration during the last year. The same is to be hoped for the Department. Now comrades let us use all of our efforts and make the next one the most useful and profitable administration in the history of the Grand Army of the Republic in the State of Missouri.

In concluding, I desire to express my thanks to the comrades of this Department for the honor conferred upon me by electing me to the office of Junior Vice Commander of the Department of Missouri.

Fraternally,

B. KNOEPFEL.

**REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL
AND ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER
GENERAL.**

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 10, 1897. }

THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander.

Comrade: In accordance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit my report of the business of this office, and the condition of the Department for the year ending December 31, 1896.

The total number of Posts December 31, 1895, was 425.

Six Posts have surrendered their charters during the year, viz: Posts 292, 378, 463, 464, 501 and 533.

By authority conferred by the last Department Encampment, the Department Commander, after due notice being given, suspended the following Posts for failure to make reports, viz: 117, 212, 225, 277, 281, 318, 321, 323, 338, 351, 361, 364, 368, 394, 404, 410, 419, 422, 445, 469, 476, 484, 527, 528, 535 and 538.

There has been one Post mustered during the year, viz: 558, located at Poplar Bluff, being a net loss of five Posts; making the total number of Posts December 31, 1896, 420, of which twenty-six are remaining suspended.

The following is an abstract of the consolidated reports as made to National Headquarters for the year 1896:

FIRST TERM, SIX MONTHS, ENDING JUNE 30, 1896.

Number in good standing December 31, 1895		15,501
Gain by muster	372	
“ transfer	155	
“ reinstatement	311	
“ delinquent reports	33	871
Aggregate		16,372
Loss by death	133	
“ honorable discharge	11	
“ transfer	120	
“ suspension	599	
“ delinquent reports	529	
“ surrender of charter	43	1,435
Number in good standing June 30, 1896		14,937

SECOND TERM, SIX MONTHS, ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1896.

Gain by muster	234	
“ transfer	181	
“ reinstatement	224	
“ delinquent reports	127	766
Total		<u>15,703</u>
Loss by death	150	
“ honorable discharge	21	
“ transfer	98	
“ suspension	882	
“ dishonorable discharge	—	
“ delinquent reports	151	
“ surrender of charter	157	1,459
Number in good standing December 31, 1896		<u>14,244</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Number in good standing December 31, 1895		15,501
Gain during the year by muster	606	
“ “ transfer	336	
“ “ reinstatement	535	
“ “ delinquent reports	160	1,637
Total		<u>17,138</u>
Loss during the year by death	283	
“ “ honorable discharge	32	
“ “ transfer	218	
“ “ suspension	1,481	
“ “ dishonorable discharge	—	
“ “ delinquent reports	680	
“ “ surrender of charter	200	2,894
Number in good standing December 31, 1896		<u>14,244</u>
Number remaining suspended		<u>5,512</u>

Total number on the rolls December 31, 1896	19,756
Number of comrades dropped during the year	1,102
Number of comrades relieved during the year	285
Number of other persons relieved during the year	207
Amount expended for relief	\$ 2,942 65
Amount of Post funds and property	67,106 33
Amount of Post relief fund	9,859 31
Loss in amount of Post funds	7,529 67
Loss in amount of relief fund	632 23

You will observe from the foregoing statement that our net loss for the year is 1,257; the loss is chiefly from suspensions, and may be attributed largely to the unprecedented hard times, advancing age and

decrepitude of our old comrades. Two hundred and eighty-three comrades have been mustered out by death or about 1.6 per cent of the membership.

In my last report I had the honor to call the attention of the Department to the continued falling off in receipts from per capita tax and interest account. It has now reached the point where the receipts will (on the present basis) no longer meet the necessary expenditures of the Department. Your attention is especially invited to statement marked Exhibit "A," showing receipts and expenditures for the year 1896. Your knowledge of the necessary expenditures of this office will enable you to see that there can be no further reduction in office expenses, outside of salaries, without more or less detriment to the Department. By changing location I have effected a saving of eighty-four dollars per annum in the matter of rents; have discontinued the services of office boy, thus saving two hundred and forty dollars per annum. Various other items of expense have been curtailed, in the aggregate amounting to about five hundred dollars. Yet this is insufficient to meet the necessities of the case. Therefore, I would suggest that you recommend to the Department Encampment a reduction of the salaries of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General; also the Department Inspector.

Exhibit "A" hereto attached shows total receipts from per capita tax of \$2,872.85. The receipts from same source in 1889 with the rate then in force yielded a revenue of \$6,134.87; since that time the Department has sustained a loss of over five thousand members, and at the same time has reduced the per capita, so that instead of having a surplus there is a deficiency. To meet this and other possible demands in the future, it is in my judgment necessary to slightly increase the per capita tax.

This office has been seriously crippled during the year on account of insufficient funds. It is confidently believed that if the above recommendation be adopted a sufficient revenue will be derived from the changed conditions to meet all requirements and re-establish the Department in its old time condition, where the "hard times found us."

Our Department still ranks seventh in point of membership, as shown by the report of the Adjutant General, and is entitled to fifteen Representatives to the thirty-first National Encampment, one of which should be selected at-large.

The following named exhibits are attached to and made part of this report:

- Exhibit "A," receipts and expenditures.
- Exhibit "B," statement of supplies.
- Exhibit "C," Department property.
- Exhibit "D," Department assets and liabilities.
- Exhibit "E," membership of Posts.

I desire in this connection to publicly return my sincere thanks to Mrs. Lucinda A. Scott, President of the Woman's Relief Corps, for valuable assistance rendered this office and the Department. Her efforts in behalf of the building up of the Woman's Relief Corps has renewed the interest of our comrades in the G. A. R. in many localities. Wherever a Corps has been established the Post at that point has increased its interest and made its future more secure.

Permit me, in conclusion to thank you for your kind preference; our personal and official relations have ever been to me most agreeable, and will always be remembered as one of the pleasant incidents in life's journey.

To the officers and comrades of this Department are due my sincere thanks for many courtesies and warm expressions of true comradeship.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Ass't Adj. General and Ass't Q. M. General.

EXHIBIT "A."

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 1896.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1895		\$ 529 62
Received from per capita tax	\$2,872 85	
" " charters	45 00	
" " requisitions	467 38	
" " interest on loans	120 00	3,505 23
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		\$4,034 85

EXPENDITURES.

Supplies:		
Membership badges	\$ 143 65	
Buttons	72 00	
Rank straps	15 89	
Books, blanks, etc	51 00	
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		282 54
Expenses:		
Office rent, eleven months	\$ 358 00	
Printing Proceedings of Dep't Encampment	283 00	
Printing and stationery	89 20	
Salary A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G., nine months	1,499 98	
Salary Department Inspector	200 00	
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		2,423 88
Postage	\$ 129 20	
Per capita tax	381 42	
Relief	59 00	
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		569 62
Engrossing charters and commissions	\$ 18 25	
Badges for Department Encampment	33 75	
Badges for National Encampment	33 40	
Expenses Department Encampment	25 10	
Expenses National Encampment	88 00	
Stenographer at Department Encampment	57 20	
Office boy, seven months	140 00	
Incidentals	44 65	
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		440 85
Traveling Expenses:		
Department Commander Benecke	\$ 135 45	
Department Commander Rodgers	22 50	
Assistant Adjutant General Pachall	61 25	219 20
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		\$3,935 59
Cash balance on hand December 31, 1896		99 26

EXHIBIT "B."

STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES PURCHASED, ISSUED AND ON HAND FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1896.

	On Hand Dec. 31, 1895.	Purchased.	Total.	Issued.	On Hand Dec. 31, 1896.	Value of Supplies on Hand
Membership badges	104	370	474	327	147	\$ 73 50
Buttoniers	117	1,200	1,317	1,126	191	19 10
Rank straps.....	148	87	235	97	138	47 70
Official ribbons	112	135	247	135	112	11 20
Rules and regulations.....		75	75	75		
Applications.....	785	1,500	2,285	962	1,223	7 35
Cash books.....	28		28	4	24	18 00
Quartermaster receipt books.....	7	25	32	40		
Quartermaster warrant books.....	20		20	8	12	8 00
Roll books.....	22		22	3	19	14 25
Charters.....	7	4	11	11		
Discharges.....	2	100	102	64	38	1 90
Transfers.....	30	350	380	240	140	7 00
Odes.....	64	100	164	72	92	1 84
Service books.....	27	35	62	37	25	6 25
Rituals.....	4	40	44	26	18	5 40
Certificates of membership.....	136		136		136	13 60
Blue books.....		13	13	11	2	2 20
Department badges, plain.....	243		243	1	242	145 20
Department badges, silver top.....	48		48		48	48 00
Descriptive books.....	3	10	13	4	9	6 75
Minute and order books.....	17		17	8	9	6 75
Leaves of absence.....	28	100	128	108	20	80
Adjutant descriptive books.....						
						\$444 79

EXHIBIT "C."

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY ON HAND.

Desks	2	Gavels	6
Chairs	7	Charter, framed	1
Tables	2	Map of Missouri	1
Book case	1	Adjutant General's report of Illinois, volumes	8
Case for blanks	1	Roster Wisconsin Volunteers, volumes	2
Case for supplies	1	Journals, National Encampment	2
Chest of drawers	1	Journals, Department of Mis- souri	2
Case for pigeon holes	1	History, G. A. R. (Beath)	1
Typewriter	1	Portrait, Gen. Grant	1
Letter press	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Kimball	1
Official Seal	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Phelps	1
Cuspidor	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Burton	1
Waste basket	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Grund	1
Carpet	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Whitehead	1
Rugs	2	Portrait, Past Commander-in- Chief Warner	1
Sets of books	3	Other Pictures	5
Slide boxes	557	Medallion F. P. Blair	1
Letter books	2	Safe	1
Dating stamp	1		
Die for Department badges	1		
Ink stands	3		
Department banner and case	1		
Pair stirrups	1		
Packing trunk	1		
Flag	1		
Letter scale	1		
Letter files	24		
Sword belts	9		

EXHIBIT "D."

DEPARTMENT ASSETS.

Cash balance, December 31, 1896	\$ 99 26
Amount invested at Springfield (Phelps loan)	5,000 00
Interest due and unpaid on same	1,033 33
Amount invested at Kansas City (Mesner loan)	1,500 00
Accrued interest	90 00
Office furniture	886 00
Supplies	444 79
Ledger balances	82 60

LIABILITIES.

Bills Payable:		\$9,135 38
Salaries	\$500 02	
Printing account	216 00	
Other expenses	71 00	
		\$787 02

EXHIBIT "E."

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF SUCH POSTS AS HAVE OVERPAID OR WERE
IN ARREARS, DECEMBER 31, 1896.

No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
1	\$120 55	\$119 50	\$ 1 05	.....	206	\$ 6 80	\$ 5 60	\$ 1 20	.....
2	53 08	47 00	6 08	.....	218	3 95	3 20	75	.....
7	24 80	23 70	1 10	.....	229	7 50	6 10	1 40	.....
14	21 90	20 60	1 30	.....	239	3 90	4 20	.....	\$ 30
16	22 30	22 43	.....	\$ 13	241	6 40	5 60	80	.....
23	22 50	22 20	30	.....	253	3 20	4 30	.....	1 10
25	9 40	9 55	.....	15	260	4 40	3 30	1 10	.....
33	8 90	8 60	30	.....	261	12 10	12 40	.....	30
34	11 45	11 60	.....	15	262	3 20	2 50	70	.....
38	5 70	6 10	40	.....	269	6 50	7 45	.....	95
39	3 20	2 30	90	.....	278	6 10	3 80	2 80	.....
45	9 40	9 20	20	.....	279	5 70	5 30	40	.....
51	4 00	4 93	.....	93	284	5 27	5 00	27	.....
61	2 60	2 30	30	.....	285	5 45	4 00	1 45	.....
63	8 80	6 55	2 25	.....	286	7 20	6 40	80	.....
65	6 12	5 80	32	.....	289	8 20	9 20	.....	1 00
72	19 10	18 30	70	.....	291	11 55	9 30	2 25	.....
75	9 80	7 95	1 85	.....	294	3 45	3 00	45	.....
76	4 35	3 80	55	.....	298	2 56	2 78	.....	22
82	7 50	7 25	25	.....	303	4 30	4 57	.....	27
84	2 70	1 70	1 00	.....	305	3 20	2 50	70	.....
86	19 71	19 50	21	.....	311	7 60	4 00	3 60	.....
90	4 70	2 10	2 60	.....	312	7 65	8 75	.....	1 10
96	12 70	1 90	80	.....	322	8 65	8 30	35	.....
97	8 20	9 08	.....	88	324	.....	.....	.....	.....
104	8 20	4 80	3 40	.....	327	5 40	4 80	60	.....
106	8 20	6 50	1 70	.....	330	14 07	10 40	3 67	.....
107	27 20	26 55	65	.....	340	10 85	10 50	35	.....
120	3 85	3 70	15	.....	342	9 33	5 90	3 43	.....
134	10 65	10 15	50	.....	343	20 20	15 15	5 05	.....
145	5 60	5 80	.....	20	344	7 30	5 30	2 00	.....
152	12 80	12 20	60	.....	346	7 00	3 20	3 80	.....
161	7 55	6 35	1 20	.....	347	4 10	2 20	.....	1 90
162	6 70	7 15	.....	45	354	5 70	4 10	1 60	.....
166	5 20	4 10	1 10	.....	360	4 85	4 05	80	.....
175	10 80	11 20	40	.....	365	7 70	8 10	.....	40
176	3 30	2 00	1 30	.....	366	6 00	6 40	.....	40
182	18 30	16 80	1 50	.....	379	8 65	9 10	.....	45
185	5 30	4 30	1 00	.....	384	.....	.....	.....	.....
187	5 10	4 20	90	.....	386	3 60	3 99	.....	39
188	4 60	5 10	.....	50	392	8 40	8 60	.....	20
194	11 40	11 64	.....	24	397	2 80	3 20	.....	40
197	9 90	12 25	.....	2 35	402	4 50	2 70	1 80	.....

No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over-paid.	No.	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over-paid.
408	\$ 5 75	\$ 7 05		\$1 30	467	\$ 2 95	\$ 2 60	\$ 35	
411	4 30	3 50	\$.80		470	5 15	7 80		\$2 65
495	2 60		2 60		481	2 60	1 50	1 10	
426	5 10	3 00	2 10		485	3 80	3 20	60	
428	8 80	9 65		85	488	10 10	9 60		50
429	12 65	13 55		90	492	2 20	1 60	1 20	
430	6 90	8 80		1 90	504	5 65	5 25	40	
432	6 20	6 50		30	505	9 50	8 95	55	
433	10 28	11 55	73		517	3 70	1 80	1 90	
437	6 50	5 50	1 00		530		2 00		
439	2 00	1 00	1 00		534	13 80	11 50	2 30	
447	3 80	4 00		20					

NOTE.—This statement does not include the *per capita* tax for second term of 1896, except where it was paid before January 1, 1897. Posts not having reported for the first term of 1896, or prior, and whose balance does not exceed fifteen cents, are not included.

EXHIBIT "F."

STATEMENT SHOWING MEMBERSHIP IN GOOD STANDING OF EACH POST,
WITH GAINS AND LOSSES.

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1895	1896		
Frank P. Blair.....	1	St. Louis.....	628	610	.....	18
Gen. Lyon	2	St. Louis.....	178	154	.....	24
Admiral Farragut	3	Kansas City.....	129	132	3	.....
McPherson	4	Kansas City	204	213	9	.....
A. Lincoln.....	5	Moberly.....	84	80	.....	4
James A. Garfield	6	Jefferson City.....	78	71	.....	7
Custer	7	St. Joseph	162	128	.....	34
Geo. H. Thomas.....	8	Kansas City	124	109	.....	15
Gen. Canby.....	10	Rich Hill.....	50	58	8	.....
James A. Mulligan	11	Lexington	34	33	.....	1
Ellsworth	12	Grant City	64	62	.....	2
Col. Hassendeubel.....	13	St. Louis.....	559	548	.....	11
O. P. Morton.....	14	Joplin	112	83	.....	29
Stanton	16	Carthage	111	111	.....	.....
Joe Hooker.....	17	Cameron.....	94	73	.....	21
Phil Kearney	19	Laclede	49	50	1	.....
Maj. James Wilson.....	20	Louisiana	45	31	.....	14
Sedgwick	21	Maryville	126	124	.....	2
Corporal Dix	22	Kirksville	182	187	5	.....
F. A. Jones	23	Macon	63	55	.....	8
David A. Roberts	25	Glenwood	34	36	2	.....
Gen. Joe Bailey	26	Nevada	76	71	.....	5
Tindall.....	29	Chillicothe.....	76	40	.....	36
Nodaway	30	Burlington Junct.....	3	10	7	.....
Capt. Wagoner	31	Independence	32	28	.....	9
S. A. Hurlbut.....	32	Hamilton	31	30	.....	1
Ben. Loan.....	33	Kingston.....	43	43	.....	.....
McCook.....	34	Lamar	65	49	.....	16
Paddy Shields.....	36	Clarence.....	42	30	.....	12
Col. Forbes	38	La Plata	28	21	.....	7
Roderick Rockwood.....	39	Xenia	27	26	.....	1
Peabody	41	Savannah	41	22	.....	19
Albert Chandler.....	42	Macon City.....	38	38	.....	.....
W. T. Sherman	43	Hannibal	109	119	10	.....
McCullough	44	Milan	30	30	.....	.....
Christian Meyer.....	45	Oregon	51	38	.....	13
Perry V. Fletcher.....	46	DeSoto	20	.....	.....	.....
Capt. J. L. Clark.....	47	Green City.....	3	29	26	.....
Gen. Geo. G. Meade.....	48	Lebanon	110	110	.....	.....
Capt. D. M. Birch.....	49	Edgerton.....	12	11	.....	1

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1895	1896		
Harrisonville	50	Harrisonville				
Col. Fred. Schaeter	51	Concordia	40	49	9	
Gen. Geo. R. Smith	53	Sedalia	215	202		13
Thos. G. Wade	54	Unionville	43	52	9	
Reynolds	56	Graham	26	22		4
O. H. Wood	57	Brookfield	62	66	4	
Bates County	58	Butler	99	101	2	
Geo. H. Blunt	59	Pollock	26	26		
Gen. Wadsworth	60	Dawn	26	24		2
Valentine Peters	61	Maitland	26	26		
Winfield Scott	63	Holden	45	39		6
Golden City	64	Golden City		25		
Capt. Wm. Wilkinson	65	Mound City	18	26	8	
Kirkpatrick	66	Winston	31	21		10
Tarkio	67	Tarkio	26	31	5	
Gen. E. D. Baker	68	Green Ridge	25	26	1	
Capt. John Mathews	69	Springfield	77	85	8	
B. B. King	70	Canton	28			
Col. Jacob Smith	72	Trenton	101	82		19
Johnson Downen	73	Sticklerville	13	11		2
Greenfield	75	Greenfield	33	28		5
John A. Dix	76	Kidder	43	40		3
Col. Grover	78	Warrensburg	125	111		14
Capt. Stanley	79	Princeton	45	67		22
Rousseau	80	Ravanna	20	21	1	
L. W. Cooper	81	Lathrop	34	29		5
Yeager-Sharp	82	Wellsville	34	39	5	
Curtis	84	Sarcoxie	14	17	3	
Lookout	85	Shelbina	12	15	3	
King City	86	King City	50	50		
C. G. Harker	88	Meadville	35	32		3
Capt. J. H. Paynter	90	Jericho				
T. H. Richardson	92	Lancaster	23	18		5
Capt. C. C. Harvey	96	Mayville	31	32	1	
Gen. G. B. Boomer	97	Linn	41	39		2
Franklin Shanks	100	Lutesville	37	20		17
Shelbyville	102	Shelbyville	19	19		
Chilhowee	103	Chilhowee	15	15		
Nichols	104	Gallatin	29	26		3
Arthur Crocket	106	Malta Bend	25	27	2	
Harry P. Harding	107	St. Louis	170	172	2	
Jeff. C. Davis	108	Versailles	35	34		1
B. K. Davis	109	Hopkins	31	29		2
Wm. McKee	110	Cahoka	61	57		4
Miles Carroll	111	Iberia				
Cameron Garrett	115	Carl Junction	44	43		1
Hardy Smith	117	Quitman	22			
Jewell	118	Mt. Vernon	38	33		5
Marion	119	Stansberry	60	66	6	
Maple Grove	120	Maple Grove	22	21		1

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1895	1896		
Virgil Rogers.....	122	Martinstown	25	27	2	.....
Lieut. T. D. Neal.....	124	Bethany	89	62	.....	27
Salem.....	128	Salem	53	40	.....	13
Capt. J. H. Little	129	Denver.....	13	13	.....	.....
Fred. Miller.....	130	Tina.....	35	35	.....	.....
Ransom.....	131	St. Louis	463	465	2	.....
Gardner.....	133	Utica	13	13	.....	.....
Gentry.....	134	Albany.....	24	27	3	.....
Sergt. B. H. Porch.....	135	Olean.....	14	16	2	.....
Gen. J. G. Foster.....	137	Neosho	45	51	6	.....
Marionville.....	141	Marionville	39	43	4	.....
Stephen Decatur.....	142	Medoc	21	23	2	.....
Samuel McClure.....	145	Eldon.....	37	40	3	.....
Avalon.....	146	Avalon.....	26	26	.....	.....
J. J. Graveley.....	149	Bolivar	36	51	15	.....
Liberty.....	150	Spickardsville	53	80	27	.....
D. N. Keeler.....	152	Melrose	53	52	.....	1
Wm. T. Kays.....	154	Arbela	14	10	.....	1
Loyalty.....	155	Creighton	29	29	.....	.....
Geo. Miller.....	158	Bethel	44	44	.....	.....
Col. Henry E. Gilbert.....	160	Wheeling	34	19	.....	15
Gen. Frank Herron.....	161	Buffalo	25	28	3	.....
Marshall.....	162	Elmo	22	19	.....	3
Col. Islam Keith.....	164	Breckenridge.....	25	22	.....	3
Menke.....	166	LaGrange.....	20	20	.....	.....
Jesse H. Moore.....	168	Braymer	43	32	.....	11
J. H. Whitehead.....	171	Victoria	25	18	.....	7
J. B. Steadman.....	172	Appleton City.....	44	42	.....	2
Justi.....	173	Cape Girardeau.....	66	61	.....	5
Maj. Hiram Gavitt.....	174	Fredericktown.....	20	19	.....	1
Seneca.....	175	Seneca.....	39	28	.....	11
Indian Springs.....	176	Indian Springs.....	10	11	1	.....
W. H. L. Wallace.....	177	Moundville.....	19	14	.....	5
Stephen Estle.....	178	De Witt.....	34	36	2	.....
Murray.....	179	Memphis.....	80	81	1	.....
Stambaugh.....	180	Austin.....	35	33	.....	2
Mansfield.....	181	Powersville.....	51	52	1	.....
Chester Harding.....	182	St. Joe.....	57	44	.....	13
Erich Pape.....	184	Bollinger Mills.....	19	20	1	.....
Maj. Hunt.....	185	New London.....	28	33	5	.....
John A. Rawlins.....	187	Pierce City.....	23	.....	.....	.....
John D. Mullins.....	188	Linneus.....	20	.....	.....	.....
Gen. Henry Wilson.....	189	Rolla	41	27	.....	14
W. B. Goodrich.....	190	Webb City.....	24	12	.....	12
Austin Hubbard.....	194	Stockton.....	57	56	.....	1
Col. Morsey.....	197	Warrenton.....	49	49	.....	.....
Rogersville.....	200	Rogersville.....	23	26	3	.....
Bradshaw.....	201	Mt. Moriah.....	22	21	.....	1
Geo. N. McGee.....	206	Camden.....	22	22	.....	.....
Col. Brooks.....	207	Hannibal.....	18	18	.....	.....

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1895	1896		
McCroskey	210	Springfield	22	28	6	
Isaac Clevenger	211	Excelsior Springs	13	22	9	
Jas. A. K. Dillon	213	Lindley	12	12		
Sergt. Ryan	214	Brashear	49	53	4	
Picket	215	Farmington	59	58		1
Cainsville	216	Cainsville	41	40		1
Bennett Ford	217	Williamstown	10	10		
John Williams	218	Fairport	16	16		
Republic	219	Republic	30	27		3
Jamesport	220	Jamesport	20	12		8
Norcross	221	Novelty	39	38		1
S. L. Turley	222	Bancroft	31	31		
Reuben Dale	223	Eagleville	60	60		
Guy Ward	224	Hale	20	12		8
Col. Almstaedt	227	Fenton	19	12		7
Union	229	Ladonia	20	19		1
Lieut. S. A. M. George	232	Humansville	72	65		7
Thomas J. Brouster	233	Clayton	47	48	1	
Gen. Fred. D. Steele	235	Montrose	38	34		4
U. S. Grant	236	Lincoln	13	13		
Farnsworth	237	Warsaw	20	19		1
W. S. Hancock	239	Mexico	41	39		2
John A. Hayn	240	Boonville	66	52		14
Galt	241	Galt	27	23		4
Pattonsburg	242	Pattonsburg	30	25		7
Andy Smith	243	Willow Springs	27	22		5
Fred. Steele	244	Cole Camp	19	12		7
Jack Grant	245	Knox City	22	20		2
John W. Rawlins	247	West Plains	21	26	5	
Fordland	249	Fordland	22			
Ulysses	250	Mirabile	20	19		1
Col. Leonard	251	Eldorado Springs	59	50		9
Mt. McGregor	252	Sprague	26			
Mt. Pleasant	253	Belton	11			
J. N. Hilton	254	Forsyth	27	25		2
John Boon	257	Licking	47	51	4	
Mitchell	258	Gateway	16			
Blanchard	260	S. Blanchard	13	10		3
Sergt.-Major McIntosh	261	Hermitage	61			
Johnson	262	Centralia	15	13		
Cuba	263	Cuba	57	35		22
Morgan L. Smith	264	Deepwater	47	40		7
Pinhart	268	Brunswick	53	52		1
Sergt. Plummer	269	Sparta	26	28	2	
Baker	271	Pineville	11	13	2	
Difani	273	Perryville	71	68		3
Norwood	274	Norwood	21	23	2	
Henry Brown	276	Clarksburg	160	154		6
John Kelsey	278	Cosby	18	17		1
Edinburg	279	Edinburg	18	18		

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1895	1896		
Wakefield Standley.....	282	Carrollton	36	42	6	.....
Wakefield	283	Fairplay	41	39	.....	2
George G. Bryan.....	284	Belgrade	50	30	.....	20
Jim Carnes.....	285	Rockport.....	20	20	.....	.....
Chas. Sumner.....	286	Boonville	32	31	.....	1
Warren.....	287	Rockville	25	11	.....	14
Thomas S. Staples.....	288	Fairmont	12	.....	.....	.....
Maj. A. Bartlett.....	289	Troy	25	23	.....	2
Fred. Hecker.....	290	Pacific	32	32	.....	.....
Robert McElroy.....	291	Clarksville	29	32	3	.....
George Gamble.....	293	Hemker	32	35	3	.....
Col. Geiger.....	294	Highlandville	29	.....	.....	.....
Capt. Blandowsky.....	296	New Haven.....	17	17	.....	.....
John S. Phelps.....	297	St. James	55	52	.....	3
Stewartville.....	298	Stewartville	11	7	.....	4
C. A. Arthur.....	299	Mansfield	77	50	.....	27
Chas. Demny.....	301	St. Louis.....	36	35	.....	1
Negley.....	302	Ottomer	5	8	3	.....
Bob. Ford.....	303	Coffeysburg	19	19	.....	.....
John A. Logan.....	304	St. Louis.....	49	50	1	.....
George W. Tyler.....	311	Ford	28	20	.....	8
Dan McCook.....	312	Leesville	42	37	.....	5
W. F. Lane.....	313	Strafford	23	.....	.....	.....
John D. Rohye.....	314	Cedar Hill.....	27	25	.....	2
Jordan Wilson.....	316	Clarksville	16	17	1	.....
Gen. Hunter.....	317	Lamonte	13	12	.....	1
Capt. Manwaring.....	320	Hermann	49	48	.....	1
Capt. J. M. Baird.....	322	Verona	27	38	11	.....
George V. Pitts.....	324	Sullivan	15	15	.....	.....
J. Felix St. James.....	326	Ste. Genevieve.....	68	53	.....	15
Adrian.....	327	Adrian	27	26	.....	1
Simpson Mason.....	328	Bakersfield .....	.....	12	.....	.....
Gordan Granger.....	329	Clinton	69	56	.....	13
Jonah W. Reser.....	330	Urbana	38	43	5	.....
John P. McCluney.....	331	Higginsville	29	29	.....	.....
James W. Owens.....	332	Washington	58	51	.....	7
James H. Hart.....	333	Piedmont	11	.....	.....	.....
H. G. Blake.....	335	Panacea	19	29	10	.....
James Ward.....	337	Jasper	41	48	7	.....
Houston.....	339	Houston	40	42	2	.....
Evans.....	340	Economy	34	35	1	.....
Sergt. L. J. Roach.....	342	Montreal	28	.....	.....	.....
Col. Shaw.....	343	St. Louis.....	71	61	.....	10
Franz Wilhelmi.....	344	Union	21	19	.....	2
Jesse Owens.....	345	Bear Creek	47	29	.....	18
Iron.....	346	Ironton	21	13	.....	8
Levi F. Pennington.....	347	Truxton	11	10	.....	1
H. C. Beckett.....	348	Mineral Point.....	52	32	.....	20
Capt. James Johnson.....	350	Arensberg	24	19	.....	5
Pardee.....	352	Cabool	20	20	.....	.....

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1895	1896		
Sergt. P. P. Mabrey	354	Chaonia	15	13		2
Dixon	355	Dixon	39	40	1	
Zincite	356	Zincite	7			
R. L. Ferguson	358	Sweet Springs	38	40	2	
Splitlog	359	Splitlog	21	16		5
Daniel Miles	360	Iantha	19	19		
Sac River	362	Seybert	21	32	11	
Appleton	365	Appleton	28	22		6
Upton	366	Sheridan	30	30		
Roscoe	367	Roscoe	23	23		
Samuel Lewis	370	Cunningham	20	18		2
Stella	371	Stella	45	38		7
Col. Putman	373	Allendale	25			
R. P. Carnes	374	Dunlap	29	27		2
Harwood	375	Harwood	24	25	1	
J. W. Robertson	377	Ozark	27	25		2
Capt. Tom. Walker	379	Leora	42	32		10
Commerce	382	Commerce	25	24		1
James A. Dollans	383	Mountain View	21	17		4
Dawn	384	Osceola	34	36	2	
Long Lane	385	Long Lane	13	16	3	
Albert Harrison	386	Climax Springs	35	36	1	
Marceline	387	Marceline	49	34		15
Jacob Yount	390	Younts	44	44		
Pike	391	Bowling Green	50	32		18
South West City	392	South West City	26	21		5
Capt. J. A. Bowers	393	Milford	29	23		6
Brookline	397	Brookline	16	13		3
Phil. Sheridan	398	Gulf	32	30		2
Capt. L. F. Bierwirth	402	Cape Girardeau	15	15		
Durbin A. Ward	405	Pickering	17	17		
Corporal Duke	406	Garrison	16	19	3	
Conway	407	Conway	38	35		3
Col. Krekel	408	St. Peters	26	25		1
John Shelton	409	Palace	13	12		1
John H. Kendall	410	Brazito				
Capt. Kelso	411	Astoria	85			
John R. Downing	412	Newark	16	17	1	
David Hewitt	414	Louisburg	19	22	3	
Tiff City	416	Tiff City	9	8		1
Smithton	417	Smithton	20	20		
Sergt. Clay Shaw	418	Sedalia	23	20		3
Fred. Roether	420	Montgomery City	29	30	1	
Capt. Bradley	421	Crocker	23	23		
Florence	423	Florence	19	19		
Col. A. J. Webber	424	Wakenda	39	28		11
Lieut. Wm. Hawkins	425	Brumley	42	33		9
Hunnewell	426	Hunnewell	15	15		
Thos. Gordon	428	Polo	29	30	1	
Jno. V. Hoover	429	Elkland	51	40		11

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1895	1896		
Holt	430	Craig	20	18		2
J. L. Wray.....	431	Egypt Mills	15	16	1	
Columbia	432	Columbia	29			
D. D. Porter	433	Mt. Grove	30	41	11	
J. B. Wicker.....	434	Richland	41	24		17
Thos. Shelton.....	435	Howland	22	22		
Joe. A. Mower.....	436	Hartville	26	19		7
Gen. Simon Cameron.....	437	Cross Timbers	25	17		8
Gen. Hazen.....	440	Foster	25	25		
Alton	441	Alton	13	13		
Hume	442	Hume	24	24		
Gen. Madison Miller.....	444	St. Louis	40	40		
Obediah Gray	446	Moody	17	12		5
Berger	447	Berger	19	18		1
Fair Grove.....	449	Fair Grove.....	27	18		9
David Rees.....	450	Smithville	13			
Tipton	452	Tipton	10	10		
E. E. Kimball.....	453	Middletown	37	36		1
Calhoun.....	454	Calhoun	14			
McClain.....	455	Centretown	20			
DeKalb.....	456	DeKalb	18	15		3
Warren T. Stewart.....	457	Morley	17	18	1	
Col. J. P. Brownlow.....	458	Plew	12	12		
Jno. Whaling.....	459	St. Joseph.....	26	22		4
Capt. J. S. Robb.....	461	Jenkins	24	22		2
Lieut. Ephraim Gaither.....	462	Aurora	28	28		
Louis Duemler.....	465	St. Clair	34	30		4
Vandalia	466	Vandalia	31	35	4	
Maj. Leonard	468	Higbee	22	24	2	
Gen. Geo. D. Crook.....	470	Slater	14	20	6	
Ethel	471	Ethel	12	14	2	
Callaway	472	Fulton	22	18		4
L. W. Weathermon	473	Clyde	11	9		2
New Union	478	Fair Dealing	20	19		1
T. R. Lane	479	Montreal	20	20		
Goulding	481	Buckhart	17	14		3
Jno. C. Fremont	482	Norris	16	13		3
Geo. B. McClellan.....	485	Washington	17	15		2
Dillard Bell	487	Elmer	19	14		5
L. Stevenson	488	Pocahontas	20	19		1
Maj. Ennis	489	Greentop	21	18		3
W. W. Leggett.....	490	Duncan's Bridge.....	20	20		
Eagle	492	Monett	10	19	9	
James H. Fort	494	Greencastle	13	13		
E. D. Brown	495	Lead Mine.....	40	45	5	
Col. Meumann.....	496	St. Louis.....	157	127		30
Maj. Montgomery	498	Ardeola	13	10		3
Jno. S. Miller	499	Guilford	12	13	1	
Monroe Lee.....	504	Golden	16	18	2	
Col. P. Cornyn	505	Chamois	34	16		18

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1895	1896		
Jno. Tietjens	506	Indian Grove	46	50	4	
Maj. Worthington	507	Shell Knob	29	28		1
Whitesville	510	Whitesville	19	19		
Harrison A. Gleim	512	Tipton	60	44		16
Jesse Turnage	514	Rayville	36	38	2	
Liberal	515	Liberal	31	38	7	
J. H. Crenshaw	516	Cartersville	33	37	4	
Parnell City	517	Parnell City	17	16		1
F. M. Slagle	520	Exeter	21	11		10
Drexel	524	Drexel	25	25		
Geo. W. Murphy	525	Cowgill	29	30	1	
Geo. W. Walker	526	Darlington	16	16		
Ben. Lewis	529	Glasgow	16	18	2	
Aldrich	536	Aldrich	24	26	2	
Tecumseh	537	Ridge Prairie	20	25	5	
Tillman Tirrell	539	Moberly	13	13		
J. H. Weirich	540	Spring Bluff	24	23		1
W. H. Harrison	542	Bland	19	19		
Stewart S. Bell	543	Festus	10	10		
Gen. Jerry M. Rusk	544	St. Charles	21	17		4
Ridgeway	545	Ridgeway	23	25	2	
T. L. Hampton	546	Newport	15	12		3
Wm. A. Mills	548	Boyle's Mills	25	25		
Jno. A. Davis	549	Windsor	24	26	2	
Seligman	550	Seligman	23	18		5
Blythedale	551	Blythedale	22	26	4	
Denver	552	Baxter	18	13		5
Thos. Welch	553	Kirbyville	33	29		4
Gutzweiler	554	St. Charles	47	44		3
Urich	555	Urich	12	17	5	
Capt. C. F. Ernst	556	Easton	12	17	5	
L. B. Hutchinson	557	McElhanev		20		
Jas. L. Garretson	558	Poplar Bluff		31		

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

CARTHAGE, MO., May 3d, 1897.

THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander.

Comrade: I have the honor, as Chief Mustering Officer of the Department of Missouri, G. A. R., to submit the following report:

There has been one Post mustered during the year, as follows:

No.	Name.	Location.	Date of Charter.	By Whom Mustered.
558	Garretson	Poplar Bluff..	July 17, '96	Jno. B. Pachall, A. A. G.

I have not been called upon to perform any duties pertaining to this office during the year. Regretting that there has been but one new Post mustered, I am sir,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

THOS. B. TUTTLE,

Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR, }
 KINGSTON, MO., APRIL 5, 1897. }

THOS. B. RODGERS, Commander Department of Missouri, G. A. R.,
 St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Comrade: I have the honor to submit herewith my report for the year ending December 31st, 1896. I regret to say that the number of Posts inspected falls short 26 from the inspection made the previous year. 320 Posts were inspected in 1895, 294 inspected for 1896. Nearly all the reports that have come in show faithful and diligent work on the part of the Assistant Inspectors, and many of them have accompanied their reports with various remarks as to the condition of their respective Posts. Many of them were cheerful and confident of the future in maintaining their loyalty to the order which they love so much and also to the old flag, while others were despondent and discouraged, and felt like giving up the ship. To the latter I wrote many letters of encouragement, urging them to hold to their organization, hoping that times would change in the near future for the better, and not let the lack of a few dollars in the way of dues allow them to become delinquent, and by and by be dropped from the roll. Delay on the part of many Assistant Inspectors has caused the Department Inspector a great amount of extra labor and annoyance. If the inspection was made promptly on time and not later than the installation of officers takes place, seen to and looked after by that officer, and mailed at once as it should be, this trouble of getting the reports would be a thing of the past. The countersign should not be given out until every report is properly filled out and mailed. If they send the Adjutant General the tax with report, why not be compelled to send the report of inspection at the same time, one being as essential to the welfare of the Department as the other. I refer to this to show that it is negligence on the part of many Post officers in not complying with the orders as they are promulgated from Headquarters and read to their respective Posts; at least, as I said before, the countersign should be withheld until all the orders are complied with.

I, with pleasure, submit a detailed report, as follows:

Number of Posts in good standing December 31, 1896, as reported to Adjutant General	388
Number of members in good standing	14,244
Number of posts inspected	294
Membership of Posts inspected	12,370
Amount in relief fund, 48 Posts	\$11,094 95

Amount expended for charity, 152 Posts.....	3,723 87
Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermaster of 252 Posts.....	20,778 28
Value of other property owned by 241 Posts	30,183 43
Number of muskets owned by 152 Posts	733
Posts in which ritual is properly performed.....	109
Posts in which officers and guards are uniformed.....	152
Posts whose members are uniformed.....	53
Posts whose officers and members are partly uniformed.....	241
Posts whose officers are regular in attendance	187
Posts whose records are well kept	271
Posts who receive and read orders regularly.....	285
Posts who obey orders.....	286
Posts who have relief fund.....	55
Number of Posts that have forwarded all dues and reports.....	294
Number of Posts that report Woman's Relief Corps	76
Number of Posts that report Sons of Veterans	46
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported excellent.....	4
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported very good.....	7
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported good	142
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported fair	123
Number of Posts whose prospects are reported not good	18
Number of district and ward school houses reported.....	1,815
Number of school houses reported with flags.....	582
Number in good standing in 1891.....	21,038
Number in good standing in 1892.....	20,353
Number in good standing in 1893	18,611
Number in good standing in 1894.....	17,766
Number in good standing in 1895.....	15,497
Number in good standing in 1896.....	13,309

We find the financial part of the 294 Posts inspected in excellent condition, and the sum expended for charity by Posts, and the large credit in the relief fund is to be commended. In this connection would say that we owe a debt of gratitude, as an organization, to the Woman's Relief Corps; the untiring zeal, work and energy displayed by Mrs. Lucinda A. Scott, the president, and the valuable assistance rendered her by Mrs. Marion B. Bisbee, her efficient secretary, was of great value to the Department as noted by many Assistant Inspectors, who reported to me. Mrs. Scott visited 50 Corps, travelled 5,124 miles, inspected 23 Corps. The secretary has written 1,200 letters, sent out 5,000 copies of general orders and circulars. One Corps disbanded during the year and seven new Corps were instituted. Her financial showing, I understand, will be above the average in charities, and her expense to the Department is very light. I speak of this to give you an idea of the magnitude of the work in hand, not only to the upbuilding of the Woman's Relief Corps, but our own noble order, and what labor and sacrifices are to be made

to accomplish the work. We appreciate the cheerful manifestations exhibited by these noble women in upholding "Old Glory" and teaching lessons of patriotism throughout the state, and we delight to honor them.

From the reports of Posts inspected, would say that the Sons of Veterans are holding their own, which we indicate from report last year. They do not receive the encouragement they should, and this auxiliary should be placed on a solid basis, for to them the mantle will fall when we are mustered out.

From reports on the question of flags, they are, or at least most of them, indefinite; but as near as can be ascertained from the figures, 582 school houses are supplied. I have during the year visited many Posts and attended several re-unions: in all these gatherings have tried to do my part towards encouraging the old boys to be true to the fundamental principles of our order—Friendship, Charity and Loyalty. When they are true to these principles, they certainly will be true to each other.

At all times in my intercourse with the Comrades during the year I have been received and greeted with fraternal courtesy and kindness, and desire to thank all with whom I have had official relations or otherwise for their uniform kindness to me. I especially desire to thank the Assistant Adjutant General for courtesies and aid rendered in my duties, and also you, Commander, for the honor conferred on me. I am,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JOHN P. PLATT,

Department Inspector.

No. of Post.	NAME OF POST INSPECTED.	Number of members in good standing?	Is the work in the Ritual committed to memory and properly performed?	Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped?	Are the members uniformed and equipped?	How many muskets are owned by the Post?	Are the officers regular in their attendance?	Are the members regular in their attendance?	Do they exhibit an interest in the Post?	Are all the records complete and well kept?	Are orders received regularly, and read to the Post?	Are they duly observed?	Have all reports and taxes been forwarded?
1	Frank P. Blair	610	yes	yes	yes	13	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
2	General Lyon	154	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
3	Admiral Farragut	130	yes	yes	partly	16	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
4	McPherson	209	yes	no	no	4	fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
5	Abraham Lincoln	87	yes	no	no	6	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
6	James A. Garfield	71	yes	partly	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
7	Custer	162	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
8	Geo. H. Thomas	118	yes	partly	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
10	Gen. Canby	58	no	no	no	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
11	James A. Mulligan	33	yes	yes	yes	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
12	Ellsworth	61	no	no	partly	14	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
13	Col. Hassendeubel	485	yes	yes	yes	38	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
14	O. P. Morton	83	partly	no	partly	4	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
16	Stanton	116	partly	no	partly	4	fair	not very	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
17	Jos. Hooker	75	yes	yes	yes	7	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
19	Phil. Kearney	50	yes	no	no	4	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
20	Maj. Jas. Wilson	81	no	no	no	8	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
21	Sedgwick	124	yes	partly	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
22	Corporal Dix	137	partly	no	no	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
23	F. A. Jones	55	yes	no	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
25	David A. Roberts	86	no	no	partly	4	yes	no	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
26	Gen. Joseph Bailey	71	yes	no	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
29	Tindall	40	no	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
30	Nodaway												
31	Capt. Wagoner	28	no	no	no	5	partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
32	S. A. Hurlburt	30	partly	no	partly	6	partly	no	partly	fair	yes	yes	yes
33	Ben. Loan	43	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
34	A. D. McCook	49	partly	yes	partly	12	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
35	Paddy Shields	30	yes	no	no	6	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
38	Col. Forbes	20	yes	no	no		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
39	Roder'k Rockwood												
41	Peabody	22	partly	no	no		yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
42	Albert Chandler	88	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
43	W. T. Sherman	119	partly	partly	partly	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
44	McCullough	30	partly	no	no	12	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
45	Christian Meyer	33	yes	yes	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
46	Perry V. Fletcher												
47	Capt. J. L. Clark	29	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
48	Gen. Geo. G. Mead	110	yes	no	no	8	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
49	Capt. D. M. Birch	11	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes
51	Col. F. Schaefer	51	partly	no	no	14	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
53	Gen. Geo. R. Smith	202	yes	yes	yes	20	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
54	Thos. G. Wade	52	no	no	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
56	Reynolds	22	no	no	no	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
57	O. H. Wood	66	fair	yes	partly	18	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
58	Bates County	97	partly	yes	partly	2	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
59	Gen. H. Blunt	26	partly	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
60	Gen. Wadsworth	24	no	no	no		yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
61	Valentine Peters	26	no	no	partly	8	no	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
63	Winfield Scott	43	no	no	no	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
64	Golden City	25	no	no	no	9	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
65	Mound City	26	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
66	Kilpatrick	21	no	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
67	Tarkio	31	no	no	no	6	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
68	Gen. E. D. Baker	26	no	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
69	Capt. Jno. Mathews	85	yes	partly	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
70	B. B. King	81	partly	partly	partly	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

Amount charged for muster-in?	Amount charged for annual dues?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Total Amount expended for charity?	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermaster?	Value of other property of the Post?	Is there a W. R. Corps connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans?	What are the prospects for the future?	How many school districts are represented in your Post?	Are the school-houses in these districts supplied with the United States flag?	No. of Post.
\$ 5 00	\$ 4 00	yes	\$8,756 38	\$503 90	\$8,951 18	\$3,500 00	yes	yes	good	City	yes	1
3 00	4 00	no		68 00	508 58	100 00	yes	no	good	SL	yes	2
6 00	3 00	no		8 00	5 90	175 00	no	no	good	L. sav	yes	3
2 00	1 00	no			58 40	20 00	yes	no	fair	10	yes	4
1 50	3 00	yes		100 00	20 00	20 00	yes	no	good	20	yes	5
1 50	2 40	yes	175 00	50 00	175 00	250 00	no	no	fair	8	no	6
1 00	3 00	yes	15 38	159 94	1,970 63	3 00	yes	yes	good	8	yes	7
8 00	2 00	no		22 10	177 06	50 00	yes	no	fair			8
1 00	1 00	no		2 45	34 95	30 50	no	no	good	5	2	10
1 50	3 00	no			67 19	10 00	no	no	good	4	yes	11
1 00	1 00	no				150 00	no	yes	fair		1	12
5 00	3 00	yes	25 55	130 50	527 22	4,525 00	yes	yes	good	16	yes	13
2 00	1 00	yes		12 75		60 00	yes	no	good	5	4	14
2 00	1 00	yes	127 19	98 30	150 08	150 08	yes	yes	not very bright	5	yes	16
2 00	6 00	yes	15 75	41 00	115 40	115 00	yes	yes	good	15	partly	17
1 00	1 00	no			27 18	572 00	no	no	good	3	2	19
1 00	2 00	no			30 00	2 45	40 00	no	yes	9	yes	20
1 00	2 00	yes	647 47	75 05	71 75	300 00	yes	yes	good	4	1	21
1 00	1 00	no				250 00	yes	yes	good	10	no	22
1 00	2 00	no		5 00	50 40	50 00	yes	no	good	15	2	24
2 00	2 00	no				94 85	no	no	fair		no	25
2 00	2 00	no		75 00	21 75	50 00	yes	no	good	15	5	26
2 50	2 00	no		7 75	54 50	100 00	yes	no	fair	4	yes	29
					5 75					7	3	30
1 00	2 00	no				175 00	no	no	good	2	2	32
1 00	1 50	no				25 00	no	no	good	2	2	32
1 00	6 00	no		10 00	50 00	20 00	yes	no	good	6	12	33
1 50	1 00	no				250 00	yes	no	good	4	yes	34
1 00	2 00	no		25 00	4 25	62 80	no	no	fair	10	partly	36
1 00	1 00	no			250 00	10 00	yes	no	not good			34
												39
2 00	2 00	no		40 00	5 80	300 00	no	no	good	7	yes	41
2 00	2 00	no		75 85	8 00	80 00	yes	no	good	1	yes	42
1 00	2 00	no		49 95	127 96	377 96	yes	no	good	9	yes	43
2 00	2 00	no				35 00	no	no	fair	7	no	44
1 50	2 00	yes	8 76	15 00	15 41	75 00	no	no	good	12	yes	45
												46
1 00	1 00	yes	8 95	11 85	14 75	30 00	no	no	good	15	14	47
1 00	1 00	no				50 00	no	no	fair			48
1 00	1 00	no			6 00		no	no	not good	5	no	49
2 00	2 00	no			7 36	2 00	yes	yes	fair			51
2 00	2 00	yes		37 00	50 11	2 00	yes	yes	good	1	yes	53
1 00	1 00	no		12 60	5 93	50 00	no	no	good	14	no	54
2 00	2 00	no					no	no	good		yes	55
2 00	2 00	no			31 00	225 00	yes	no	good	4	yes	57
2 00	1 00	no		21 70	15 00	20 50	yes	no	good	4	yes	57
50	40	no			1 76	10 00	no	no	fair	10	1	59
						10 00	no	no	poor		yes	60
2 00	1 20	no			2 75	100 00	no	no	not very good	6	3	61
1 00	1 00	no			3 97	35 00	yes	no	fair	6	2	65
1 00	1 00	no			5 00	10 00	no	no	good	3	no	64
2 00	1 80	no			3 28	40 00	no	no	fair	7	yes	65
1 00	1 00	no		1 75	6 25	400 00	no	no	fair			68
1 50	1 00	no		2 45	70 30	75 00	no	no	good	4	yes	67
1 00	1 00	no				10 00	yes	no	fair	6	2	68
1 50	2 00	yes	20 35	18 35	161 40	35 00	yes	no	good	20	yes	69
1 00	1 00	no			20 00	25 00	no	no	good	3	yes	70

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72	Col. Jacob Smith.	82	no	no	no	12	fair	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
73	Johnson Downen.	71	no	no	no	10	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
75	Greenfield.	28	no	no	no	10	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
76	John A. Dix.	40	yes	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
78	Col. Grover.	125	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
79	Capt. Stanley.	67	partly	partly	partly	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
80	Kosseau.	27	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
81	L. W. Cooper.	39	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
82	Yaeger-Sharp.	17	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
84	Curtis.	15	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
85	Lookout.	50	no	no	no	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
86	King City.	32	partly	partly	partly	8	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
88	C. G. Harker.	32	partly	partly	partly	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
90	Capt. J. H. Paynter.	18	no	no	no	8	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
92	T. H. Richardson.	32	partly	yes	partly	8	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
96	Capt. C. C. Harvey.	39	yes	yes	partly	6	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
97	Gen. G. B. Boomer.	21	no	partly	partly	6	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
100	Franklin Shanks.	19	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
102	Shelbyville.	16	partly	no	no	.....	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
103	Chilhowee.	26	partly	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
104	Nichols.	27	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
106	Arthur Crockett.	171	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
107	Harry P. Harding.	29	yes	yes	yes	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
108	Jeff. C. Davis.	69	no	no	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
109	B. K. Davis.	12	yes	no	no	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
110	Win. McKee.	46	no	partly	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
111	Miles Carroll.	33	no	no	no	9	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
115	Cameron Garrett.	65	no	no	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
118	Jewell.	21	partly	no	no	.....	fair	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
119	Marion.	27	yes	yes	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
120	Maple Grove.	62	partly	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
122	Virgil Rogers.	27	partly	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
124	Lieut. T. D. Neal.	40	partly	partly	partly	8	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
128	Salem.	13	partly	no	partly	.....	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	fair	yes
129	Capt. J. H. Little.	465	yes	yes	yes	13	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
130	Fred. Miller.	25	no	no	partly	10	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
131	Ransom.	16	yes	no	no	4	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	no	yes
133	Gardner.	51	no	no	no	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
134	Gentry.	43	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
135	Sergt. B. H. Porch.	40	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
137	Gen. J. G. Foster.	51	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
137	Gen. J. G. Foster.	16	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
141	Marionville.	43	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
142	Stephen Decatur.	40	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
145	Samuel McClure.	51	no	no	no	13	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
146	Avalon.	80	partly	no	partly	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
149	J. J. Gravely.	62	yes	yes	yes	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
150	Liberty.	29	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
150	Liberty.	44	yes	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
152	D. N. Keeler.	19	partly	no	no	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
154	W. T. Kays.	28	no	no	no	.....	yes	fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
155	Loyalty.	18	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
158	George Miller.	29	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
160	Col. H. E. Gilbert.	18	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
161	Gen. F. J. Herron.	29	no	no	partly	.....	yes	fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
162	Marshall.	29	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
164	Col. Islam Keith.	20	no	no	no	12	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
166	Menke.	34	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
168	Jesse H. Moore.	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

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\$ 2 00	\$ 2 00	no			\$ 315 00	\$ 30 00	yes	no	fair	9	3	73
1 00	1 00	no			11 50	200 00	no	no	fair	1	1	73
1 00	1 00	no			6 75	50 00	no	no	fair	2	1	75
1 50	1 00	yes	\$ 20 00	4 50	61 45	1,700 00	yes	no	good	7	1	76
2 00	2 00	yes		6 10	300 00	900 00	yes	no	good		1	79
1 00	1 00	no		84 30	10 00	40 00	no	no	good	11	no	79
1 00	1 00	yes	1 10	15 00	9 20	42 00	no	no	fair	4	yes	81
1 00	1 00	no			6 60	20 00	no	no	good	7	no	82
1 00	2 00	yes	46 26	20 00	63 33		yes	no	good	10	partly	84
1 00	1 00	no			5 00	55 00	no	no	fair	6	no	85
1 00	1 20	no			2 50	25 00	no	no	fair	11	partly	86
1 50	1 40	yes	24 50	1 05	40 95	41 00	no	no	good	8	no	88
2 00	1 00	no			21 23	32 00	no	no	fair	3	no	90
1 00	1 00	yes	5 53	13 00	11 47	20 50	no	no	fair	14	2	96
1 00	1 00	no			4 60	25 03	100 00	no	yes			97
1 50	1 00	no			18 00	28 00	no	yes	fair	6	no	100
1 00	1 00	no			1 00	4 35	25 00	no	no	8	no	102
1 00	1 00	no				10	5 26	no	no	6	no	103
1 50	1 00	no			10 00	10 00	75 00	no	no	7	no	104
1 00	1 00	no			7 50	26 30			good		no	106
3 00	4 00	yes	404 88	177 00	1,385 00	320 00	yes	yes	good	10	yes	107
2 00	1 00	no			11 50	15 50	265 00	yes	no	6	yes	108
2 00	2 00	no			71 45	10 45	200 00	yes	no		no	109
1 00	1 30	no			45 00	30 57	7 00	yes	yes	10	no	110
1 00	1 00	no			7 50	20 11	34 75	no	no		no	111
1 00	1 00	no				119 40	no	no	good		partly	119
1 50	1 00	yes	10 00		10 00	10 00	no	no	fair	9	no	120
1 00	60	yes	10 00	1 00	18 62	10 00	no	no	fair	8	no	122
1 50	1 50	yes	35 30	40 50	58 84	304 04	yes	yes	good		partly	124
2 00	2 00	no			2 40	1 00	no	no	good	10	no	128
1 00	50	no			4 17	19 15	5 60	no	no	6	no	129
5 00	4 00	yes	43 21	289 55	269 78	826 90	yes	no	most excellent	City St. L.	yes	130
1 00	1 80	no			10 50	95	25 00	yes	no	4	1	131
1 50	1 00	no				3 00	225 00	no	no	5	no	134
1 00	1 00	no				5 26	600 00	yes	no	6	partly	137
1 00	50	no				1 55	550 00	yes	no	9	no	141
1 50	1 00	no				1 55	550 00	yes	no	9	no	142
1 00	1 00	no					50 00	yes	no	Can't say	no	145
1 00	1 20	yes	92 00	10 00	266 89	50 00	no	no	fair	14	yes	146
2 00	40	no			65 00	50 90	110 00	no	yes	10	1	149
1 00	1 00	no				7 00	26 04	no	no	8	partly	154
1 50	1 00	no				7 00	5 45	yes	yes	16	no	155
1 00	1 00	yes	80				30 00	no	no	4	1	160
1 00	1 00	no					25 00	no	no	5	4	161
2 00	1 00	yes	4 00	10 00	6 50	10 00	no	yes	good	3	no	162
1 50	2 00	no			5 00	3 10	50 00	no	no	9	1	164
1 00	60	no			2 00	25 88	50 00	no	no	5	no	166
2 00	1 00	no					20 00	no	yes	6	2	168

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170	Fillmore												
171	I. N. Whitehead	18	yes	partly	partly	6	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
172	Gen. J. B. Steadman	44	yes	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
173	Justi	61	yes	yes	yes	10	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
174	Maj. Hiram Gavitt	19	partly	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
175	Seneca	28	yes	no	partly		yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
176	Indian Springs												
177	W. H. L. Wallace	14	yes	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
178	Stephen Estle	37	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
179	Capt. W. G. Murray	80	yes	partly	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
180	Stambaugh	32	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
181	Mansfield	52	partly	yes	partly		yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
182	Gen. Ches. Harding	45	yes	partly	partly	8	yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
184	Erich Pape												
185	Maj. Hunt	33	partly	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
187	John A. Rawlins												
188	John D. Mullins												
189	Gen. Henry Wilson	27	no	partly	partly	6	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes
190	W. R. Goodrich	12	yes	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
194	Austin Hubbard	56	partly	no	no		partly	fair	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
197	Col. Morsey	50	no	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
200	Rogersville	26	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
201	Bradshaw	16	no	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
206	George N. McGee	22	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
207	Col. Brooks												
209	Edward Wray												
210	McCroskey	28	partly	partly	partly	6	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
211	Isaac Clevenger	23	yes	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
212	George Taylor												
213	James A. K. Dillon	12	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
214	Sergt. Ryan	53	partly	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
215	Pickett	58	partly	partly	partly		no	fair	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
216	Cainsville	40	no	no	partly	20	no	no	no	yes	no	no	yes
217	Bennett Ford	10	partly	no	no		partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
218	John Williams												
219	Republic	27	no	partly	no	5	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
220	Jamesport	12	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
221	Norcross	38	partly	yes	yes	9	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
222	S. L. Turley	29	yes	yes	partly	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
223	Reuben Dale	60	partly	no	no	15	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
224	Guy Ward												
227	Col. Almstaedt	13	partly	no	no	5	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
229	Union	19	yes	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
232	Lt. S. A. M. George	65	partly	partly	no	12	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
233	Thos. J. Brouster	48	partly	partly	partly	8	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
235	Gen. F. D. Steele	35	yes	partly	partly	5	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
236	U. S. Grant	12	no	no	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
237	Farnsworth	19	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
239	W. S. Hancock	37	partly	no	no	4	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
240	Jno. A. Hayn	52	yes	no	no	6	yes	no	not much	yes	yes	yes	yes
241	Galt												
242	Pattonsburgh												
243	Andy Smith												
244	Fred. Steele												
245	Jack Grant	20	partly	no	yes		fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
247	John W. Rollins	26	yes	no	no	5	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
249	Fordland	16	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes

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41	1 00	no			\$ 10 41	\$ 60 00	no	no	good		no	170
512	1 00	no			45 30	100 00	yes	no	good		partly	171
1 00	2 00	no		\$ 8 00	108 16	200 00	no	no	good	8	yes	172
1 00	1 50	no			250 00	12 00	no	no	good	City	yes	173
1 50	2 00	no		10 00	01	20 00	no	yes	good	7	no	174
1 00	1 00	no		2 00	11 90	3 40	yes	no	fair		no	175
1 00	1 00	no			44 51	436 10	no	no	fair	5	partly	176
1 50	1 00	yes	\$ 21 43	25 00	228 84	60 00	no	yes	good	Cannot say	no	177
1 00	1 00	no		19 75	150 00	555 00	yes	yes	good	3	yes	178
1 00	1 00	no		12 00	6 58		no	no	fair	15	partly	179
1 00	1 00	no			3 72	100 00	yes	yes	fair	9	yes	180
1 25	1 00	yes	2 86		22 86	20 00	no	no	good		no	181
2 00	1 00	no			8 20	25 00	no	no	bad	10	10	182
1 00	1 00	no			11 80	80 00	yes	no	not good	7	yes	183
1 00	1 00	no		6 00	4 90		no	yes	fair	10	1	184
1 50	1 00	no			64 94	5 00	no	no	fair		no	185
1 00	1 00	no		4 00	55 00	25 00	no	no	good	5	no	186
2 00	1 20	yes	17 00	7 00	60 47	90 00	yes	no	fair	6	yes	187
50	1 00				14 00		no	no	good	4	partly	188
1 00	1 00	no			16 52	5 00	yes	no	good	6	yes	189
1 50	1 00	no		25 00	5 00	25 00	no	no	fair	8	no	190
1 00	1 00	no				25 00	no	no	fair	5	no	191
2 00	1 00	no		1 00	65 03	35 00	no	yes	fair	12	partly	192
2 00	2 00	no			4 40	66 96	no	no	good		no	193
1 50	1 00	no			5 78	35 25	no	yes	poor	12	no	194
1 00	50	no			1 04	8 00	no	no	fair	5	no	195
2 00	1 00	no				40 00	no	no	fair	6	4	196
2 00	4 00	yes	7 05		17 05	37 50	no	no	fair	1	1	197
1 00	1 00	yes	25 00		152 96	37 05	no	no	good	15	partly	198
1 50	1 00	no		2 00	12 00	40 00	yes	no	good	6	yes	199
1 65	1 40	no		2 00	10 00	50 00	no	no	fair	21	partly	200
1 50	1 50	no		19 50		10 00	no	no	fair	7	1	201
1 50	1 00	no		25 10	8 45	10 60	yes	no	good	8	no	202
1 00	1 00	no		4 00	40 20	50 00	yes	no	good	5	no	203
2 00	2 40	no			86 38	50 00	no	no	fair		no	204
1 50	1 00	no			6 40	10 00	no	no	good	5	1	205
1 00	1 00	no		2 00	14 20	10 00	no	no	poor	6	no	206
1 50	2 00	no		1 00		50 00	no	no	fair	6	no	207
1 00	2 00	no		1 00	18 27	100 00	no	no	very good		no	208
2 00	2 00	no		27 25	558 00	25 00	no	no	good	1	no	209
												41
												212
												213
1 50	1 00	no		8 00	25	60 00	no	yes	fair	15	no	214
1 00	1 00	yes	6 87	32 50	36 11		yes	no	fair		no	215
1 00	1 00	no				5 00	no	no	fair		no	216

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250	Ulysses	19	no	no	no		no	no	fair	fair	no	fair	yes
251	Col Leonard	50	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
252	Mt. McGregor	25	partly	no	no		partly	partly	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
253	Mt. Pleasant	10	partly	no	no	6	no	no	fair	no	ptly	no	yes
254	J. N. Hilton	25	yes	no	no		fair	no	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
257	John Boon	51	no	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
258	Mitchell												
260	Blanchard												
261	Ser. Maj. McIntosh												
262	Johnson	13	no	no	no								
263	Cuba	35	no	partly	partly	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
264	Morgan L. Smith	40	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
268	Pinhart	52	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
269	Sergt. Plummer	28	yes	no	no		fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
271	Baker	13	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	ptly	yes
273	Difani	68	yes	partly	partly	32	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
274	Norwood	24	yes	no	no	1	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
276	Henry Brown	156	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
278	John Kelsey	17	partly	no	no		no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
279	Edinburgh												
280	A. J. Norton												
282	Wakefield Standley	42	partly	partly	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
283	Wakefield												
284	Geo. G. Bryan												
285	Jim Carnes												
286	Charles Sumner												
287	Warren	11	no	no	no	6	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
288	Thomas S. Staples												
289	Maj. Bartlett	23	no	no	no		no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
290	Fred. Hecker	32	partly	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
291	Robt. McElroy												
293	George Gamble												
294	Col. Geiger												
296	Capt. Blandowsky	17	yes	no	no	1	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
297	John S. Phelps	52	partly	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
298	Stewartsville												
299	C. A. Arthur												
301	Capt. Chas. Demny	35	partly	yes	yes	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
302	Negley	8	partly	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
303	Bob Ford	20	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
304	John A. Logan	50	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
306	Iten. Grigsby												
311	Geo. W. Tyler												
312	Dan. McCook	24	partly	no	partly		fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
314	Jno. D. Rohve	25	yes	yes	yes		fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
316	Jordan Wilson												
317	Gen. Hunter	12	no	no	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
320	Capt. Manwaring	48	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
322	Capt. J. M. Baird	38	yes	partly	partly	5	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
324	Geo. V. Pitts	15	yes	partly	no		fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
326	Capt. J. F. St. James	53	yes	yes	partly	9	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
327	Adrain	22	yes	no	no		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
328	Simpson Mason												
329	Gordon Granger	56	yes	no	no	6	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
330	Jonah W. Reser	40	no	no	no		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
331	John P. McCluney												

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\$ 1 00	\$.80	no			\$ 58 20	\$ 50 00	no	no	fair	5	partly	250
2 00	1 00	yes	1 83	25 00	14 49	50 00	yes	no	good		no	251
1 50	1 00	no		4 00	5 65	10 00	no	no	fair		no	252
1 00	.20	no				6 00	no	no	poor	4	no	253
1 00	1 00	no			27 05	20 00	no	no	good	10	yes	254
1 00	1 00	no		2 00	23 45	3 60	no	no	good		no	257
												258
												260
1 50	1 00	yes					no	no	fair	2	no	261
1 00	1 00	no		8 00	4 19	40 00	no	yes	fair	8	no	263
1 50	2 00	yes	11 61		11 61	210 00	yes	yes	good	13	no	264
2 00	1 00	no			25 00	25 00	no	no	fair	5	yes	268
.75	.50	no			1 15	160 00	no	no	fair	5	no	269
1 00	.25	no			45	20 00	no	yes	fair	7	no	271
1 50	1 20	no	93 00		16 00	196 00	no	yes	good		no	273
1 50	.60	no			5 52		no	yes	fair	10	no	274
1 00	1 00	no		50 00	12 50	20 00	no	no	good	50	20	276
1 00	1 00	no			6 50		no	no	poor	5	no	278
												279
												280
1 00	1 25	no			40 00	50 00	no	no	fair	12	partly	282
												283
												284
												285
												286
2 00	1 00	no			25 00		yes	no	fair	don't know	no	287
												288
2 00	1 00	no		1 50	3 35		no	no	bad	12	no	289
2 00	1 00	no		10 00	20 00	50 00	no	no	good	5	1	290
												291
												293
1 00		no		2 00			no	no	fair		no	294
2 00	1 50	no		7 70		65 00	yes	no	fair	8	partly	296
												298
												299
3 00	3 00	no		8 00	96 83	86 45	no	no	good	3	yes	301
1 50	.60	no			2 60		no	no	good	5	no	302
1 60	1 00	no			5 00		no	no	good	9	no	303
	4 00	yes	12 50	93 15	131 25	50 00	yes	no	good	28	yes	304
												305
1 50	.50	no		21 75	5 15		no	no	fair	15	no	311
												312
1 50	.80	no		18 50	20 36	5 00	no	yes	good	9	no	314
												316
1 00	.50	no		1 00	9 95	21 95	no	no	good	8	yes	317
1 00	1 00	yes	53 60	28 65	73 15	45 00	no	no	good		no	320
1 00	1 00	no		3 55	50 00		no	yes	good	5	no	322
1 00	.60	no				15 00	no	no	fair	3	no	324
1 50	2 00	yes	61 25	17 50	120 41	124 00	no	no	fair	20	yes	325
.60	1 00	no			1 20	15 00	no	yes	fair		no	327
												328
1 50	2 00	yes	10 79	8 95	19 99	42 75	yes	no	fair	9	partly	329
1 00	1 00	no		3 00	7 00	100 00	no	no	fair	6	no	330
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332	James W. Owens	51	yes	yes	partly	2	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
335	H. G. Blake	29	yes	no	partly		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
337	James Ward	48	no	no	no		no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
339	Houston	40	partly	no	no	6	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
340	Evans												
342	Sergt. L. J. Roach												
343	Col. Shaw	61	yes	yes	yes	3	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
344	Franz Wilhelmi	19	partly	no	no		fair	fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
345	Jesse Owens	29	no	no	no		no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
346	Iron												
347	Levi F. Pennington												
348	Henry C. Beckett	32	partly	yes	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
350	Capt. Jas. Johnson	19	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
352	Pardee												
354	Sergt. P. P. Mabrey												
355	Dixon												
356	Zincite												
358	R. L. Ferguson	40	partly	partly	partly		yes	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
359	Splitlog												
360	Daniel Miles	19	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
362	Sac River	32	no	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
365	Appleton	22	yes	partly	partly		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
366	Upton	30	partly	no	no	16	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
367	Roscoe	23	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
370	Samuel Lewis	18	yes	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
371	Rocky Comfort	38	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
373	Col. Putnam												
374	R. P. Carnes	26	yes	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
375	Harwood	23	yes	no	no		no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
377	Capt. J. W. Robertson	25	yes	no	no		yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
379	Capt. Tom Walker	29	partly	partly	partly		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
382	Commerce												
383	James A. Dollans												
384	Dawn	36	no	no	no	1	no	no	no	yes	no	no	yes
385	Long Lane												
386	Albert Harrison	37	partly	partly	partly		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
387	Marceline	34	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
390	Jacob Yount	44	fair	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
391	Pike	32	yes	partly	partly	7	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
392	South West City	21	partly	no	no		yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
393	Capt. J. A. Bowers	23	partly	partly	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
394	Leut. Wm. Brawner												
397	Brookline	13	no	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
398	Phil. Sheridan												
402	Cap. L. F. Bierwirth												
405	Durbin A. Ward	17	partly	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
406	Corporal Doke	19	no	no	no		no	no	no	no	yes	no	yes
407	Conway	35	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
408	Col. Kregel	25	yes	yes	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
409	John Shelton	12	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
411	Capt. Kelsoe												
412	Downing	17	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
414	David Hewitt	22	yes	no	no		no	no	no	no	yes	no	yes
416	Tiff City	10	partly	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
417	Smithton	20	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
418	Sergt. Clay Shaw	20	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
420	Fred. Roether	29	no	no	no		no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes

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\$ 1.50	\$ 2.00	yes	\$ 60.05	\$ 39.75	\$ 65.00	\$ 40.50	no	no	fair		yes	332
1.00	1.00	no			25.00	55.00	no	no	fair		no	335
1.00	1.00	no		26.55	1.25	40.00	no	no	fair	4	no	337
1.00	1.00	no			6.63	5.00	no	no	fair	15	no	339
												340
												342
8.00	4.00	yes		26.55	68		yes	no	good	12	yes	343
2.00	1.50	no		5.95	14.65		no	yes	fair	6	no	344
1.00	1.00	yes	10.00	1.00	30.33	5.00	no	no	good	10	no	345
												346
												347
1.50	1.00	no				35.00	no	no	fair		no	348
1.00	.80	no			34.28	20.15	no	no	good	5	no	350
												352
												354
												355
												356
1.50	2.00	no		8.50	2.08	14.25	no	no	fair	8	1	358
												359
.50	.50	no			5.90	10.00	no	no	good	6	no	360
1.00	1.00	no			27.76		no	no	good	14	no	362
1.00	1.00	no			.80	8.00	no	yes	fair	8	no	365
1.00	1.00	no		26.00	7.04	350.00	no	yes	good	8	no	366
1.00	1.20	no					no	no	fair	5	no	367
2.00	1.00	no			29.64		no	no	fair	4	no	370
1.00	1.00	no		1.20	4.50		no	yes	good			371
												373
1.50	.50	no		1.00	15.00	550.00	no	no	good	8	7	374
1.00	1.00	no		1.00	.94	25.00	yes	no	good	14	2	375
1.00	1.00	no			33.45	15.00	no	no	good	6	1	377
2.00	1.60	yes	22.60	5.00	42.95	146.95	no	no	fair	15	no	379
												382
												383
1.00	1.00	no			34.00	3.40	no	no	fair		no	384
												385
1.00	.80	no		18.00	15	30.00	no	no	very good	10	no	386
1.00	2.00	no		3.00	48.50	10.00	no	no	good	6	no	387
1.00	.40	no		4.00	8.55	50.00	no	no	fair	6	no	390
1.50	1.50	no			4.90	1.12	no	no	not good	12	no	391
1.00	1.00	no			42.46		no	no	fair	6	no	392
1.00	1.00	no		3.00	2.10	20.00	no	no	good	11	no	393
												394
1.00	.40	no			1.99	5.00	no	no	fair	5	1	397
												398
												402
1.00	1.00	no			5.00	20.00	no	no	good			405
1.00	.50	yes	23.00	2.00	150.04		no	no	fair	4	yes	406
1.50	1.00	no			10.52	10.00	no	no	good	7	no	407
2.00	2.00	no		2.00	21.51	8.00	no	no	good	6	no	408
1.00	1.50	no					no	no	good	6	no	409
												411
1.00	1.20	no		50	4.90	10.00	no	no	good	10	no	412
1.00	.80	no			12.78	4.10	no	no	not good	1	yes	414
1.00	1.00	no			101.15	10.00	no	no	good	4	no	416
1.50	1.25	no				10.00	no	no	fair	7	yes	417
1.50	2.00	no		20.00	4.40	10.00	yes	no	good	9	yes	418
1.00	1.20	no					no	no	poor		no	420

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421	Capt Bradley	21	partly	partly	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
423	Florence	19	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
424	Col. A. J. Webber	28	yes	no	no	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
425	Wm. Hawkins	33	partly	no	no	.....	fair	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
426	Hunnewell	15	yes	yes	yes	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
428	Thos. Gordon	30	partly	partly	no	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
429	Jno. V. Hoover	40	partly	yes	no	.....	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
430	Holt	18	yes	yes	no	.....	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
431	Jos. S. Wray	16	no	partly	partly	.....	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
432	Columbia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
433	David D. Porter	41	no	no	no	.....	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
434	J. B. Wicker	24	no	no	no	.....	fair	fair	fair	fair	yes	fair	yes
435	Thos. Shelton	22	partly	no	no	.....	no	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
436	Joseph A. Mower	19	no	no	no	.....	fair	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
437	Simon Cameron	17	no	no	no	.....	yes	no	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
438	C. M. Anderson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
440	Gen. Hazen	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
441	Alton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
442	Hume	24	no	no	no	.....	fair	fair	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
444	Elwood Miller	40	yes	yes	partly	6	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
446	Obediah Gray	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
447	Capt Bauer	18	yes	yes	yes	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
449	Fair Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
450	David Reeves	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
452	Tipton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
453	E. E. Kimball	36	partly	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
454	Calhoun	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
455	McClain	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
456	DeKalb	16	partly	partly	partly	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
457	Warren T. Stewart	18	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
458	Col. J. P. Brownlow	12	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
459	Jno. Whaling	22	partly	yes	yes	.....	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
461	Capt. J. S. Robb	22	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
462	Ephraim Gaither	28	yes	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
464	Capt. Mace	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
465	Louis Duemler	32	no	partly	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
466	Vandalia	35	partly	partly	partly	.....	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
467	Seaman	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
468	Maj Leonard	26	partly	yes	yes	.....	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
470	Gen. George Cook	20	no	no	no	.....	no	no	fair	yes	yes	no	yes
471	Ethel	14	no	no	no	.....	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
472	Callaway	22	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
473	L. A. Weathermon	9	yes	yes	yes	.....	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
475	Gov. Andrew	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
477	Sumner	19	partly	no	no	6	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
478	New Union	20	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
479	T. R. Lane	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
480	Gen. Hampton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
481	Goulding	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
482	John C. Fremont	13	yes	no	no	.....	fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
485	Geo. B. McClellan	15	yes	no	no	.....	yes	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
487	Dillard Bell	14	no	no	no	.....	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
488	L. Stevenson	20	yes	no	no	1	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
489	Maj. Ennis	29	partly	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
490	W. W. Leggett
492	Eagle
493	Freeland

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\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	no			\$ 5 35		no	no	good	12	no	421
1 00	50	no			20 00		no	no	fair	6	no	423
1 00	50	no			18 96	\$ 40 00	no	no	fair	8	partly	424
1 50	60	no			4 45	300 00	no	no	fair	1	no	425
1 00		no				50 00	no	yes	good	4	no	426
1 50	1 00	no			10 70	50 00	no	no	very good	5	3	428
1 00	1 00	no			34 98	7 60	no	no	fair	7	no	429
1 50	30	yes		\$ 10 00		8 00	no	no	fair			430
2 00	1 00	no			4 77	25 00	no	no	good	6	6	431
												432
1 00	1 00	yes	\$ 7 55	8 65	11 75	10 65	yes	no	good	5	no	433
1 00	1 00	no		1 00	3 98	3 00	no	no	fair		no	434
1 00	1 40	no					no	no	fair	5	no	435
1 00	40	yes	4 80		4 80	25 00	no	no	fair		no	436
1 00	20	yes	3 00		4 56	10 00	no	no	poor	6	no	437
												439
												440
												441
1 00	1 00	no			55	7 50	no	no	poor	9	no	442
2 00	4 00	no		15 00	200 00	250 00	yes	yes	bright	8	yes	444
												446
1 50	60	no			14 01	42 00	no	no	good	5	no	447
												449
												450
												452
1 00	1 00	no		5 00	11 00		no	no	good		no	453
												454
												455
1 50	2 00	no		30 00		25 00	no	no	fair	6	no	456
2 00	2 00	no			17 00		no	no	good	5	no	457
1 50	1 00	no		19 60	3 20	30 00	no	yes	poor	5	no	458
1 00	3 00	no				100 25	no	no	fair	8	yes	459
50	40	no			49	14 00	no	yes	fair	6	6	461
1 00	1 00	yes	24 26	18 55	25 90		yes	no	good		no	462
												464
1 00	1 00	no		1 00	5 47	20 00	no	yes	good	4	no	465
2 00	2 00	no		11 00	33 65	39 62	no	no	fair	7	no	466
												467
1 00		no			3 05	16 00	no	no	good	6	no	468
1 00	2 00	no		3 85	4 43		no	no	fair	3	no	470
1 00	1 00	no			4 05		no	no	poor	5	no	471
1 00		no				5 00	no	no	poor		no	472
2 00	1 20	no			9 45	14 00	no	no	not good	6	6	473
												475
												477
1 00	40	no			12 45	14 00	no	no	gloomy	5	no	478
1 00	40	no		5 00		500 00	no	no	fair	3	no	479
												480
												481
2 00	1 00	no			1 70	25 00	no	no	poor	7	no	482
1 50	1 20	no		6 50	25 90		yes	no	fair	6	no	485
1 00	1 40	no			2 30	200 00	yes	no	good	7	no	487
2 00	1 00	yes	15 10	6 40	33 65	17 15	no	no	good	7	no	488
1 50	25	no		5 50	2 00		no	no	good	4	no	489
												490
												492
												493

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494	James H. Fort												
495	E. D. Brown	45	partly	no	partly		no	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
496	Col. Meumann	128	yes	yes	yes	4	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
498	Maj. Montgomery	10	yes	partly	no		yes	no	partly	fair	yes	yes	yes
499	Jno. S. Miller												
501	Savon Parker												
504	Monroe Lee	18	partly	partly	partly		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
505	Col. P. Cornyn	16	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
506	Jno. Tietjen	50	partly	partly	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
507	Maj. Worthington	28	partly	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
509	Isaac Smith												
510	Whitesville	19	no	yes	partly		fair	fair	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
511	Gen. Buford												
512	Harrison A. Gleim	44	yes	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
514	Jesse Turnage	38	no	no	no		no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
515	Liberal	38	no	no	no		fair	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
516	J. H. Crenshaw	37	partly	partly	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
517	Parnell City	16	yes	yes	no	8	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
519	John Martin												
520	F. M. Slagle	28	no	no	no		no	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
521	Papinsville												
525	Geo. W. Murphy	30	partly	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
528	Geo. W. Walker	16	partly	partly	no		yes	no	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes
529	Ben. Lewis												
530	Adj. Pratt												
531	Belmont												
532	Flag Springs												
533	Capt. John Turner												
534	Sergt. Welch												
538	Aldrich												
537	Tecumseh	25	yes	partly	partly		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
539	Tillman Terrell	14	partly	partly	partly		fair	fair	fair	fair	yes	yes	yes
540	J. H. Weirich	23	yes	yes	yes		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
542	W. H. Harrison	19	yes	no	partly		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
543	S. S. Bell	10	partly	yes	yes		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
544	Gen. Jere M. Rusk	20	yes	yes	yes	2	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes
545	Ridgway	25	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
546	T. L. Hampton	12	partly	partly	no		yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
548	Wm. A. Mills	25	no	no	no		no	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
549	Col. John A. Davis	26	no	no	no		yes	no	yes	no	no	no	yes
550	Seligman	18	no	no	no		no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
551	Blythedale	26	no	no	partly		fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
552	Denver	13	no	no	no		yes	fair	no	no	no	yes	yes
553	E. L. Van Zandt	20	no	no	no		yes	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
554	Gatsweiler	44	partly	yes	yes		fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
555	Urich	17	partly	partly	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
556	Charles T. Ernst	16	yes	yes	yes		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
557	L. B. Hutchinson	21	yes	no	no		yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
558	Garretson	31	no	no	no		fair	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes

Amount charged for muster in?	Amount charged for annual dues?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Total Amount expended for charity?	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quarter-master?	Value of other property of the Post?	Is there a W. R. Corps connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans?	What are the prospects for the future?	How many school districts are represented in your Post?	Are the school-houses in these districts supplied with the United States flag?	No. of Post.
1 50	60	no				25 00	no	no	good			494
3 00	3 00	no		9 20	474 28	275 00	yes	no	fair			495
2 00	1 00	no				30 00	no	no	fair	7		496
												498
												499
1 00	10	no			17 32	35 00	no	no	fair			501
1 50	1 20	yes	5 65	9 10	5 65	25 00	no	yes	good	4		504
1 00	40	no			1 85	33 50	no	no	excellent	26		505
2 00	30	no			5 71	130 00	no	no	good	8		506
1 00	1 00	yes	2 00	10 00	4 90	17 50	yes	no	good			507
1 00	1 00	no		1 00		50 00	no	no	fair	10		509
1 00	1 00	no		8 60	12 10	55 00	yes	no	good	13		510
1 00	1 00	no				70 53	yes	no	good	1		511
2 00	1 00	yes	108 00	31 00	16 00	35 00	no	no	fair	4	yes	512
1 00	1 00	no			2 65		no	no	bad			517
1 00	1 00	no		5 00	33 88	30 00	no	no	good	5	5	519
1 00	1 00	no			90		yes	no	fair	12	partly	520
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1 00	1 00	no					yes	no	fair	4		537
1 00	1 20	no			4 00	20 00	no	no	fair	8		538
1 50	2 00	no		2 50	12 60	5 00	no	yes	fair	10		539
1 00	2 00	no			3 50	4 00	no	no	good	3	3	540
1 50	40	no		5 00	2 35	47 00	yes	no	fair	2		541
1 00	40	no			1 05		no	no	good			542
1 00	50	no					no	no	good	4	4	543
1 00	80	no		1 75	1 35	7 00	no	no	poor	7		544
1 00	1 00	no					no	no	fair	7		545
1 00	1 00	no				10 00	no	no	good	7		546
1 00	1 40	no		15 00	156 00	20 00	no	no	good	10		547
1 50	1 20	no		2 50	3 50		no	no	poor	3	1	548
1 00	50	no			4 15	30 00	no	no	good	11		549
1 50	2 00	no		25 00	84 60	75 00	yes	yes	good	1	yes	550
1 50	1 00	no			5 55		no	no	fair	5		551
1 00	90	no			60		no	no	good	6		552
1 00	1 00	no				10 00	no	no	fair	4		553
1 50	2 00	no			6 90	6 25	no	no	fair	10	partly	554

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MISSOURI, G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN, }
 1909 N. GRAND AVE., ST. LOUIS, April 16, 1897. }

Commander and Comrades:

At the close of another year I come as Department Chaplain and with gladsome heart to make a report of the year's work; thankful to God, the giver of all good, for so much of health and business success. I cheerfully attribute this good condition to a favoring providence and the general practice of industry and temperance on the part of our comrades. During the year I have been able to visit several Posts, and thus receive and impart encouragement in our work of mutual aid. Sorry I could not have visited every section of the Department, and been able, in at least a slight degree, of carrying hope and resolution into every Post and old comrade's life.

I hope our Order may in some way be able to devise a method so that the officers and men may be able to mingle more freely together, and thus strengthen the bonds of fraternity, charity and loyalty that bind us together. It is an occasion of profound regret that so few of the Post Chaplains have reported to these headquarters as required by the duties of their office. Full reports from them would have given more items for an exhaustive report from this office.

It is a marvel that such good health is enjoyed by our comrades, when we consider their age and the terrible scenes through which they have passed. The custom of observing Memorial Day, I am glad to say, is becoming much more popular in all parts of the Department. Children in knee-pants and short dresses, together with aged matrons, and sires on crutches, bent and wrinkled, together meet and do honor to our Nation's dead and buried heroes. Flowers, the most costly and fragrant, are not wanting with which to decorate the mounds of dust over the sleeping patriots of the late war. Divines, judges, statesmen, orators, both male and female, stand ready to address the people on these occasions. Drum corps, bands, solo, quartette singers and church choirs vie with each other in their zeal to do honor to the day of commemoration of the patriotic dead. The Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans, Sabbath schools and clubs, gladly assist in rendering the day all absorbing, and help in making the day one of the most memorable in the calendar of days.

It is a matter of general gratitude that the day is so free from an attempted desecration, some years ago, by the introduction of games, races and sports for sordid gain of certain selfish persons. Our people

are fast coming to regard the day as one too sacredly devoted to the memory of our patriotic dead to permit such unseemly performances.

Most of the churches in the Department are only too glad to open their places of worship on the Sabbath for the conducting of Memorial services. These services are not now conducted entirely by chaplains of the old army, or of Posts, but divines of most denominations find in it a good opportunity of presenting the patriotic element of the gospel of the Son of God, that taught allegiance to the civil government. Hundreds of thousands of people listened to these Sabbath services, and deeply were planted the seeds of religious patriotism which will mature into a rich and golden harvest for future reaping. No order of men in our country are followed through public services by as large a proportion of our citizens as are the Posts of this Department in conducting the Decoration and Memorial Day services. I trust our Posts and comrades will properly appreciate this public recognition and use it for the firm establishment of these public days. I think that the public are fast learning that there is no body of laymen that has as large a per cent of temperate and religious men in it as the order of G. A. R. If this had been known in some places it would have saved large financial losses by an attempt to sell intoxicants to our comrades on public occasions. Others in the future may be saved by learning from the misfortunes of men in the past.

As nearly as I can ascertain from the reports there have been

150,000 in attendance on Decoration Day.

200,000 on Memorial Sabbath Services.

20,000 graves were decorated.

200 soldiers were buried.

40 Posts have lots in cemeteries.

1,200 graves are marked with marble.

200 Posts held Sabbath services.

During the year I have written many letters on G. A. R. topics, which have reached tens of thousands of readers. Many questions have been answered, and some information has been cheerfully given. Wish I could have done much more and more effectively. And now permit me to thank the Department and Comrades for the privilege of serving them in this capacity, though so limited, and to assure them that at any time, at the "tap of the drum," they are at liberty to call upon me for any services I can render in F., C. and L., till the final meeting, beyond the need of services.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

Most fraternally,

T. H. HAGERTY,

Department Chaplain.

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE, }
 CLINTON, Mo., April 26, 1897. }

THOMAS B. RODGERS, Commander Department of Mo., G. A. R.

Dear Sir and Comrade: The undersigned, Judge Advocate on the Staff of the Department Commander, begs leave to report as follows:

I have industriously occupied my time in ascertaining what the duties of my position were, but have been unable to discover the same. There has been no Department Court Martial of which I have been notified. The Department Commander, having for so many years filled the position of Assistant Adjutant General, was fully competent to dispose of any and all matters of jurisprudence, hence none have been referred to me for action.

I cannot close this very satisfactory report without congratulating the Department and its Commander upon the year of good feeling and fellowship that we have had, and to thank you for the high honor you were pleased to confer upon me by the appointment.

Yours in F., C. and I.,

ALVIN HAYNIE,
 Judge Advocate.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MO., G. A. R., }
OFFICE OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR, }
SOUTH WEST CITY, MO., March 10, 1897. }

To the Officers and Members of the Department of Missouri, G. A. R.

Comrades: I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report as Medical Director. 115 Posts report no deaths, some small amounts spent in charity, and 126 not receiving pensions. 89 Posts report 179 deaths, and 298 not receiving pensions. A majority of those reporting deaths did not give the names of soldiers, because there was no place on the blank reports furnished the Post Surgeon for name, age, rank and cause of death. This error in printing the blanks is responsible for a deficiency in this respect in my report. I regret very much, to say that six Posts report seven *comrades in alms houses*.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

J. F. NICHOLS, M. D.,
Medical Director.

DEATH ROLL, DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., 1896.

No. Post.	Deaths	NAMES OF SOLDIERS.	Age.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1	18	Roscoe, Chas. F.	57	Private		1st Iowa Battery	Chronic bronchitis.
		Milford, Wm.	70	Private	D	40th Mo. Inf.	Carcinoma mesentery
		Schnuhr, Wm.	68	Captain	H	12th Mo. Inf.	Apoplexy.
		Franke, Henry F.	65	Corporal	K	72d Ohio	Diabetes mellitus.
		Wicker, J. S.	60	Private		2d Ind. Lt. Art.	Killed in cyclone.
		Woods, F. S.	60	Private		170th Ohio Inf.	Killed in cyclone.
		Wheeler, Orlando B.	60	Sergeant	A	Engineer, Mich.	Cerebral apoplexy.
		Gibson, R. H.	69	Private	D	40th Mo. Inf.	Tuberculosis.
		Bastion, Jos.		Private	A	3d Mo. Inf.	
		Ludwig, Jos.		Private	A	4th Mo. Inf.	
		Ebert, Jno.		Private	B	4th U. S. R. C.	
		Mesnier, Chas.		Q. M. S.	M	2d Mo. Lt. Art.	
		Phillips, J. W.		Lieut. Col.		18th Pa. Cav.	
		Rinsche, F. A.		Private	H	18th Ill. Inf.	
		Smith, H. A.		Q. M. S.	G	Ind. Pa. Bat'l.	
		Steiner, Michael		Private	G	43d Ill. Inf.	
		Toussaint, F.		Private	A	1st Mo. Inf.	
		Weigel, E. F.		Major		82 Ill. Inf.	
2	4	Heyer, Aug.					
		Ferrenbach, R.					
3	3	Lewis, F. W.					
		Maurer, J. A.		Private	A	10th Ill. Cav.	Asthma.
		Dunn, Ebenezer		Brig. Gen.			Heart failure.
4	3	Harris, Thos. S.		Private	D	10th Pa. Inf.	
		Pennell, W. P.		Captain	K	47th Iowa Inf.	Old wounds.
5	3	Norris, W. H. P.		Asst. Surg.		13th Kan. Inf.	Tuberculosis.
		Shiple, L. W.		Private	D	2d Mo. Inf.	Heart failure.
6	4	Ninas, E. F.		Private	B	49th Mo. Inf.	
		Heckel, W. T.		Sergeant	D	1st Prov. Mo. M.	Heart failure.
7	3	Burnham, W. E.		Private	C	7th Pa. Cav.	
		Snead, E. F.		2nd Lieut.	H	48th Mo. Vol.	
		Falk, Henry		Private	I	4th M. S. M.	
		Schlueter, Henry		Private	E	U. S. R. C.	
8	4	Linhardt, Nick		Private	A	Home Guards	
		Gundelfinger, Andrew.		Private	A	43d Mo. Inf.	
		Horn, Louis H.		1st Lieut.	F	12th Mo. E. M.	
9	4	Dolman, John A.		Corporal	A	1st M. S. M. Inf.	
		Ahrens, Herman		Surgeon		10th Ill. Inf.	
10	4	King, J. D.		Private	I	11th Ind. Inf.	
		White, Henry A.		Major		148th Ind.	
11	4	Irwin, L. E.		Adjutant		14th Mo. —	
		Job, William		Private		Pennsylvania	
12	4	Ferguson, William				Ohio.	
		Magee, J. Ross		Sergeant	D	10th Ind. Inf.	
13	18	Combs, Sam'l P.		Private	A	17th Iowa Inf.	
		Anderson, C. C.	63	Q. M. Sergt	K	5th Ill. Cav.	Consumption.
14	3	Bayer, Chas.	69	Private	I	1st U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
		Grein, Adam	68	Corporal	H	6th E. Mo. M.	Senility.
		Hesse, C. H.	58	Vet. Sergt.		4th U. S. Cav.	Heart failure.
		Heldman, W. C.	53	Private	A	17th Mo. Vol.	Malaria.
		Muckelgrew, John	65	Private	C	1st New M. Cav.	Cirrhosis of liver.
		Noss, Christ	80	Private	G	1st Mo. Lt. Art.	Consumption.
		Ossburg, F.	76	Private		2d Mo. Art.	Dropsy.
		Mueller, Henry C.		Private	C	119th N. Y. Inf.	Consumption.
		Guenal, Chas.		Private	I	2nd U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
		Rollmann, J. F.		Private	C	18th Mo. Vol. Inf.	Paralysis.
		Becker, Adam		Private	F	3d Mo. Inf.	Rheumatism.
		Ahrens, J. A.		Private	A	3d U. S. R. C.	Sunstroke.
Alexander, Wm. A.		Lieutenant	I	31st Mo. Inf.	Gastritis.		
Ahrens, Chas.		Private	I	3d U. S. R. C.	Congestion of liver.		
Homelson, Matt		Private	M	1st U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.		
Hopkins, William		Private	E	2d Mo. Lt. Art.	Senility.		
Hirt, Charles		Private	C	3d U. S. Cav.	Heart disease.		
15	3	Flenkin, E. M.		U. S. Sg. Ser.			
		Rhodes, B. F.		Captain	D & G	6th & 51st Ind. Inf.	

DEATH ROLL—Continued.

No. Post.	Deaths	NAMES OF SOLDIERS.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
14		Williams, W. C.		Private	L	4th Mo. Inf.	
16	2	Berry, Sylvester		Captain	D	154th Ind. Inf.	
		Hubbell, M. B.		Corporal	K	75th Ill.	
17	1	Benton, Thomas		Sergeant	A	9th Mo. Cav.	
19	1	Marsh, Martin V.		Corporal	I	25th Ill. Vol.	
20	1	Blevins, Jesse	50	Private	F	2nd Ark	Consumption.
21	2	Drennan, Geo. L.	52	Private	A	114th Ill. Vol. Inf.	Jauntice.
		Walker, Wm. H.		Corporal	E	19th Iowa	Softening of brain.
22	6	Kenyon, Aaron		Private	C	4th Wis. Hy. Art	
		Malrood, A. M. C.		Private	I	13th Pa. Cav. Vol	
		Thrautkill, Geo. W.		Private	A	21st Mo. Inf.	
		Parks, Geo. W.		Private	A	7th Mo. Cav.	
		Holbrook, Thos		Private	H	1st N. H. Cav.	
		McCoy, B. W.		Captain	E	148th Ill. Inf.	
23	1	Becker, James M.		Private	H	42d Mo. Inf.	
29	1	Garrison, Harker		Major	E	2nd Mo. Cav.	
34	1	Beaty, John W.	60	Private	G	90th Ohio Inf.	General debility.
36	1	Walkins, Jas. A.		Sergeant	I	11th M. S. M	
39	1	Stout, John		Private	F	17th Ind. Inf.	
41	2	Deakins, William		Private	B	51st Mo. Vol.	
43	1	Livingston, F. G.		Private	A	36th Iowa Inf.	
		Couch, Condon P.		Private	F	10th Kansas	
53	4	Mauker, W. J.		Lieut. Col	C	149th Ind. Inf.	
		Carpenter, W. R.		Sergeant	C	19th Ill. Inf.	
		Cordey, E. W.		Private	C	36th O. N. G	
		Chrvt, H.		Private	H	20th O. V. Inf.	
54	2	Nash, John S.		Sergeant	D	1st M. S. M	
		Campbell, Wm. S.		Corporal	E	88th Ohio	
58	1	Beaman, J. H.		Private	C	60th Mo. Inf.	
63	1	Smith, Jacob		Sergeant	F	M. S. M	
65	2	Wilson, Jas. C.		Private	F	6th Iowa Inf.	Stomach trouble.
		Mumm, Jacob		Sergeant	H	5th Mo. Cav.	Heart trouble.
66	1	Mangold, A. J.	72	Private	I	2d Ind. Bat.	Dropsy.
69	2	Lipp, Henry C.	52	Private	C	17th Ohio	Cancer.
		Savage, Daniel		Private	I	117th Inf.	
73	2	Smith, Samuel		Private	E	21st Mo. Inf.	
		Lafevere, D.		Private	C	1st Mo. —	Bright's disease.
76	2	McDonald, Joseph H.	61	Private	K	40th Ohio Vol	Heart disease.
		Ryan, Patrick	56	Private	A	16th Ind.	General debility.
78	2	Clifford, Jerry		Private	A	1st Mo. Inf.	
		Launam, Green B.		Private	A	7th M. S. M	
81	2	Sweetman, Geo. W.	62	Private	B	6th M. S. M	Heart disease.
		Myler, John	54	Private	A	Nat. Gd. Ohio	Heart disease.
84	1	Richardson, J. W.		Private		14th Ill. Inf.	
92	1	McDaniel, Pery		Corporal	G	18th Ohio V. Inf.	
97	4	Laughlin, G. D.		1st Lieut	M	5th Iowa Cav.	
		Ferguson, James		Private	D	33d Mo.	
		Garvin, Gabriel		Private		Home Guard	
		Simon, Jules		Private		Home Guard	
107	7	Neuhert, Adam	56	Private	C	5th U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
		Meyer, H. H.	50	Private	I	5th Mo. Cav.	Pneumonia.
		Borgsedt, Hermann					Suicide.
		Bergmann, Wm					Accident.
		Helmer, John					Lung trouble.
		Schleeff, Henry					Dropsy.
		Douglety, Thomas					
109	1	Durant, Washington		Private	C	25th Mo.	
110	6	McKee, David		Major		7th Mo. Cav.	
		Neep, Samuel		Captain	G	64th Ohio	Heart disease.
		Wiser, George		Lieutenant	K	25th Ill.	Heart disease.
		Fitsimmons, John		Private		51st Mo.	Stomach.
		Hesse, John			D	9th Ill.	Dropsy.
		Heise, T. L.			E	21st Mo.	Lung trouble.
115	1	Ireland, James	50	Private	B	44th Ill. Inf.	Consumption.
124	1	McGhee, Jas. H.					
131	7	Rowley, Geo. A.		1st Lieut	D	2d U. S. Inf.	

DEATH ROLL—Continued.

No. Post.	Deaths	NAMES OF SOLDIERS.	Age.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
131		Physick, H. S.		Surg. St'd		U. S. Navy	
		Slattery, D. P.		Master		U. S. Navy	
		Rader, G. W.		1st Lieut	E	13th Ind. Inf.	
		Cornell, W. H.		Engineer		U. S. Navy	
		Thatcher, D. C.		Private	I	12th N. Y. Inf.	
		Swacina, Jos.		Private	E	1st Mo. Cav.	
134	2	Byrne, C. C.		Captain	A	1st M. S. M. Inf.	Old age.
		Hinkley, C. B.		Captain	B	19th Main	Erysipilas
137	2	Bucklin, Geo. S.	60	Private	L	1st N. Y. Cav.	Lung disease.
		Ingle, J. D.		Private	B	24th Mo. Inf.	
141	1	Ingale, Fidillo P.		Private	D	1st Ark. Cav.	Consumption.
152	1	Hardt, Julius		Private	D	P. Battery	Bronchitis.
168	1	Toomey, Timothy		Private	H	33d M. S. M.	
173	5	Schleiker, Gustave		1st Lieut	I	29th Mo. Inf.	
		Von Cloedt, August		Captain	I	119th N. Y. Inf.	
		Cafer, N. L.		Captain	I	10th Mo. Cav.	
		Quinn, Patrick		Private	D	29th Mo. Inf.	
		Armgard, Henry		Private	D	2d Ill. Art.	
174	1	King, F. S.		Private	F	18th Mo. Inf.	Cancer.
178	1	Hannavan, James		Private	F	18th Mo. Inf.	
179	1	Walker, John A.	54	Private	H	47th Ill.	Consumption.
182	8	Rafney, Thomas		Private	A	12th Ky. Inf.	
		Kline, Barney		Sergeant	E	12th Mo. Cav.	
		Shafer, Seth		Lieutenant	E	60th N. Y. Inf.	
187	1	Sinclair, P. S.		Private	A	13th Mo. Cav.	
190	1	Marstoff, John		Private	B	12th Ill. Inf.	
194	1	Belk, John		Private	F	10th M. S. M.	
197	2	Santon, John W.	56	Private	C	4th Provisionals.	
		Dickmire, Henry		Private	F	10th M. S. M.	
206	1	Hines, John U.		Private	C	4th Provisionals.	
222	1	Cooley, James	65	Private	F	8th Mo. Inf.	
227	1	Jacobs, Henry		Private	F	8th Mo. Inf.	
232	1	Hall, John		Private	I	5th Mo. Cav.	
233	1	Heinzleman, Rudolph		Private	C	43d Ind. Inf.	
235	2	Corbin, Thomas P.		Private	K	71st N. Y. S. M.	
		Killand, John A.		Private	C	7th M. S. M.	
237	1	Holly, R.		Private	C	7th M. S. M.	
239	1	Wilson, Thomas S.		Sergeant	C	30th Mo.	
240	4	Spencer, John H.		Sergeant	K	98th Ohio	
		Martin, J. J.		Sergeant	B	5th M. S. M.	
		Wright, Thomas P.		1st Lieut	F	25th Inf.	
		Pinney, Julius		Private	H	Home Guards	Liver complaint
245	1	Botz, John H.		Private	H	Home Guards	
247	1	Thompson, W. N.		Lieutenant	E	141st Ohio.	Rheumatism.
250	2	Mylor, I. S.		Lieutenant	E	142d Ohio	Diseased heart.
		Moffett, A. W.		Private	B	44th Ill. Inf.	
251	3	Champion, N. B.		Private	E	K. R. C. M. S. M.	
		Davis, Emmanuel		Captain	C	113th Ill. Inf.	
		Hammelton, James		Private	E	6th Mo. Cav.	
254	1	Clinkingbeat, R. E.		Private	E	165th Ohio	
260	1	Whigham, J. M.		Corporal		165th Ohio	
263	2	Murphy, M. F.	54	Private	E	9th Mo. Cav.	Pneumonia.
		Angel, E. R.	68	Private	I	50th Mo. Inf.	General debility.
268	1	McClellan, John		Private	A	50th Ill.	
269	3	Crain, A. C.		1st Lieut	L	8th Mo. Cav.	
		Getz, J. H.		Private	A	121st Ohio	
		Nix, Marshall		Private	C	24th Inf.	
273	4	Levy, Aug. W.		Private	A	15th Mo. Inf.	
		Voelker, John F.		Private	F	4th U. S. R. C.	Old age.
		Valroy, Eugene		Private	B	30th Mo. Inf.	Pneumonia
		Grass, Henry		Private	C	8th M. S. M.	Bright's disease.
276	7	Spicer, Frank	63	Lieutenant	C	43d Mo. E. M.	Heart failure.
		Inman, Jas.	57	Private	D	77th Ohio Vol. Inf.	
		Luster, Thos.	61	Private	D	1st Mo. Cav.	
		Kitchell, C. J.		Private	B	2d Minn.	
		Fossmore, William		Private	G	5th Mo.	

DEATH ROLL—Continued.

No. Post.	Deaths	NAMES OF SOLDIERS.	AGE.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
276		Bell, W. S.		Private	F	62d E. M. M.	
		Niel, Jacob		Private	C	11th Mich.	
280	1	Rector, Charles M.					Dis. urinary organs.
284	1	Duncan, James		Private	I	33d Mo. Inf.	
285	1	Brook, Joseph		Private	C	62d U. S. C.	Old age.
289	2	Moore, John E.		Private	L	1st Mo. Cav.	
		McKee, J. M.		Private	B	49th Ky. Inf.	
301	2	Stoh, Fred		2d Lieut.	B	1st Mo. R. C.	
		Breitenback, Gus		Private	E	5th Mo. Vol. Inf.	
311	1	McCallam, I.					
312	1	Elliott, Sam'l		Private	I	19th Mo. Vol. Inf.	
313	3	Miller, William		Private	B	12th Mich.	
		Osburne, W. C.		Private	E	8th Mo. Cav.	
		Huse, H. A.		Private	L	7th M. S. M.	
320	1	Lederle, Peter		Private	R	4th Mo. Inf.	
322	1	Stark, T.		Private	G	6th Ky.	
326	1	Yearly, Jacob		Private	H	1st Mo. Lt. Art.	
327	2	Jones, J. C.		Private	B	59th Ill. Inf.	Consumption.
331	1	Fisher, J. H.		Corporal	E	133d Ohio N. G.	Kidney trouble.
331	1	Robertson, Wm		Private	F	129th Penn.	
332	4	Grobel, Gert		Private	A	Frank. C. H. G.	
		Schulze, Henry		Corporal	C	54th E. M. M.	
		Euich, Robt		Captain	F	5th M. C.	
		Green, Lyden		Private	B	3d M. Troop	
337	1	Sullens, Jas. F.		Private	H	48th Mo. Inf.	
343	6	Alison, Jerry	49	Private	A	12th U. S. C. T.	Peritonitis.
		Edwards, Webb	64	Private	G	61st U. S. C. T.	Cancer.
		Collins, Frank	89	Private	E	55th U. S. C. T.	Asthma.
		Boss, Henry	57	Private	G	60th U. S. C. T.	Bright disease.
		McNeal, Pleasant	33	Private	C	4th U. S. C. T.	Pneumonia.
		Franklin, —	50	Private	K	59th U. S. C. T.	
344	1	Gorg, Casper		Private	M	2d Mo. Lt. Art.	
345	1	Simmons, M.		Private	E	6th Mo.	
355	2	Wilson, John P.		Corporal	D	36th Ohio	
		Morris, John W.		Private	M	3d Mo. Cav.	
371	1	Dabbs, James M.	62	Saddler	G	1st Mo. Cav.	Consumption.
377	2	Brock, G. W.					
		Sellman, H.					
379	1	Sassart, Jacob		Captain	I	8th Mo. Cav.	
382	1	Vaughn, Smith					
383	1	Deaton, Wm. P.					
386	1	Beard, James C.	63	Private	F	47th Mo. Vol.	Consumption.
387	1	Whitebell, Samuel S.	60				Grippe.
392	1	Moore, B. F.	59	Private		26th Mo. Inf.	Cancer of stomach.
397	1	Phillips, W. J.	54				Internal injuries.
406	1	Brown, V. S.					
408	2	Hack, Phillip		Private	G	49th Mo. Inf.	Exhaustion.
		Johanna, Chas. G.		2d M. S.	A	1st Bat. Mo. R. C.	General debility.
409	1	Hunt, A. H.		Private	H	16th Mo.	
412	1	Glover, Maj. A. D.		Major			
418	2	Carter, Mat				U. S. C. T.	Heart disease.
		Hill, Aaron		Private		4th U. S. H. A.	
434	2	Danner, Sol		Private	B	126th Ohio	
		Wilson, J. W.		Sergeant	L	16th Mo. Cav.	
437	1	Mawbeiney, W. X.		Private	B	8th Mo.	General debility.
442	1	Mikesell, G. M.		Sergeant	L	1st Mo. Cav.	
444	2	Miller, Madison		Br. Brig. Gn.			Heart failure.
		Moon, Martin					
446	1	Scott, Lawson					
453	1	Percy, Isiah					
457	1	Proffit, L. L.		Sergeant	A	15th Ill.	Consumption.
458	2	West, Rolla					
459	2	Martin, Harrison					
		Turner, Samuel					
461	1	Irby, Geo.	60	Private	E	1st Ark. Cav.	Rheuma. and asthma
468	1	Morton, David					

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No. Post.	Deaths	NAMES OF SOLDIERS.	Age.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
472	1	Sontag, J		Art	M	2d Mo	Pneumonia.
473	1	Smith, James		Corporal	H	71st Ind	
475	1	Younger, J. C.					
478	1	Thompson, W.		Private	F	61st Ill. Inf	
479	1	Kertz, Leonard		Private	H	2d Wis. Cav	
481	1	Herst, Henry					Heart disease.
496	6	Mathis, John P		Private	C	14th N. Y. Inf	General debility.
		Schuermann, Henry		Private	D	2d Mo. Lt. Art	Consumption.
		Hampe, Frank		Private	K	4th Mo. Inf	
		Schrader, Fred		Private	I	1st Mo. Engineers	
		Doening, John		Private	A	2d U. S. R. R	
		Weckerlin, G. F. R		Musician	B	2d Mo. Inf	
504	1	Roberts, J. W.					
514	1	Holman, A. R.		Private	C	4th M. E. M	
525	1	Mohn, Geo.		Private	A	43d Mo. Inf	
530	2	Mitchell, Sylus					
		Spencer, Bryant					
536	1	Moore, W. T.		Private	F	1st M. S. M	
543	2	McCoy, Louis B.		Private	L	5th M. S. M	
		Fitzgerald, John J.		Private	F	23d Mo. Inf	
		Fitzgerald, John J.		Corporal	F	23d Mo. Inf	
554	1	Daugherty, William		Sergeant		21st Ohio Bat	

COMMITTEES.

Senior Vice Department Commander: I appoint as committee on Department Commander's address:

Comrades William Warner, Nelson Cole, Hiram Smith, Jr., Charles W. Whitehead and C. G. Burton.

The Department Commander: I will now announce the committees:

On reports of Senior Vice Department Commander and Junior Vice Department Commander:

W. F. Henry, Post 3; E. Boucher, Post 118; Wm. Drechsler, Post 107.

On reports of the Medical Director, Chaplain, Judge Advocate and Chief Mustering Officer:

James McClure, Post 1; W. C. Calland, Post 69; John Harnois, Post 7.

On report of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General:

J. F. Cluley, Post 131; H. E. Robinson, Post 21; Jere. T. Dew, Post 8.

On report of the Department Inspector:

J. W. Scott, Post 5; H. B. Kramer, Post 13; C. N. Burnham, Post 17.

To visit the Woman's Relief Corps:

Louis Benecke, Post 268; F. M. Sterrett, Post 1; Geo. Hall, Post 72; John T. Birdseye, Post 26; John B. Cotty, Post 5.

To visit the Sons of Veterans:

Louis Grund, Post 13; John P. Tracy, Post 69; W. H. Skinner, Post 124.

Upon motion of Comrade Hagerty of Post 131, a committee on resolutions was appointed, to whom all resolutions should be referred without debate.

Committee on Resolutions:

Geo. W. Martin, Post 57; C. W. Thomas, Post 6; Ira K. Alderman, Post 21; Henry Evers, Post 2; M. G. Netherton, Post 222.

The Department Commander: The next business in order is the reception and reference of communications.

The Assistant Adjutant General: I have a communication from Post 82, in reference to Memorial Day:

HEADQUARTERS YEAGER-SHARP POST No. 82, G. A. R., }
WELLSVILLE, MO., May 8th, 1897. }

To T. B. Rodgers, Department Commander Mo. G. A. R., and State Encampment, Warrensburg, Mo.

COMRADES:—In behalf of Yeager-Sharp Post No. 82., G. A. R., Department of Missouri, Wellsville, Mo., we beg leave to present to your consideration the following paper on the observance of Memorial Day:

It is an established fact that Memorial Day has already become one of the most important of our National Holidays, and is more and more generally and sacredly observed from year to year. All classes of citizens congregate on this solemn festival to do honor to the memory of our heroic dead, and the cause for which they died. Loving hands delight to crown the graves of the silent sleepers, whether under the stately mausoleum, or in the quiet country church yard.

It becomes therefore an important duty to decide in what manner the anniversary should be most fittingly observed by the people. While we do not regard the occasion as an annual day for sadness and gloom; a yearly Bochim, when all faces should be bathed in tears; neither do we consider it an occasion for unrestrained hilarity; a day devoted to reckless jollity and carousing; to games and spectacles of doubtful propriety, which turn the thoughts into channels entirely foreign to patriotism and good citizenship.

One of the chief objects in the celebration of Memorial Day is to impress upon the minds of the younger generation, lessons of patriotism and love for our country, and to intensify their devotion to the flag. Their fathers died to uphold its honor, and on this day, by the beautiful ceremonies witnessed at every patriot grave throughout the land, they are taught to cherish the memory of those who died "for freedom and the right."

The services of the day should *all* be such as tend to elevate the moral sense, and to make better citizens. The survivors of the late war, as well as all good citizens, observe with regret that in many places the day is celebrated with horse races, games of base ball, prize fights and other exhibitions, which if not positively demoralizing in themselves are at least unsuited to such a festival as Memorial Day is designed to be. We therefore would suggest that each Post of the G. A. R. throughout the State, prepare a suitable petition to be signed by as many soldiers and citizens as may be willing to endorse such action, said petitions to be presented at the next session of the State Legislature, asking that body to pass a law prohibiting horse racing, gambling, base ball games and such other exhibitions as they in their wisdom may deem inappropriate on Memorial Day. In F., C. and L.,

JESSE B. McQUIL,
JOHN A. BLACKWELL,
B. D. GILLILAND, *Committee.*

The Department Commander: It will be referred to the committee on resolutions if there is no objection.

There being no objection to this course the communication was referred to the committee on resolutions.

The Department Commander: It has been the custom heretofore to have the names of the candidates for delegates to the National Encampment as early as possible, in order that the names may be printed and placed in the hands of the members of the convention, by this means facilitating our work.

It was moved that the candidates for delegates to the National Encampment be nominated before the adjournment hour for dinner.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

The Department Commander: I would state to the Encampment, nothing else being now before it, that it rests with the Encampment whether we shall continue to occupy this hall, as cold as it is, or move to the Opera House in Warrensburg. I think if this hall can be made comfortable it would be more convenient to remain here.

Comrade Boucher, Post 118: Are nominations of delegates to the National Encampment now in order?

The Department Commander: We have nothing else before the Encampment.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: There should be a report of the committee on department loans.

Comrade Briggs, Post 14, chairman of the committee on loans, was called for and submitted the following report:

To the Sixteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic:

Your trustees appointed at the Fifteenth Annual Encampment at Hannibal, Mo., to take charge of the invested funds of the Department, beg leave to submit the following report:

The trustees met and organized by selecting Comrade Briggs for the one year term, Comrade Cole for the two year term and Comrade Whitehead for the three year term, and electing Comrade Briggs chairman.

As soon as possible after the close of the Encampment, we called on Comrade J. B. Pachall, the Assistant Adjutant-General of the Department, and the following securities were turned over to us by that officer: 1st. A note, originally for two thousand dollars, signed by J. F. Mesner, and secured by a deed of trust signed by J. F. Mesner and Della M.

Mesner, on a lot of ground in Kansas City, and described in said deed of trust as follows: "Lot 14, Block 4, Coates Addition to the City of Kansas according to the records and plat thereof." This note and trust deed is dated April 7th, 1888, and is for two years with interest from date at ten per cent per annum; this interest was paid for the two years. An endorsement on the back of the note shows that in April, 1891, the interest was reduced to eight per cent, and further in 1893 the principal was reduced by the payment of \$500.00, which payment is endorsed on the back of the note, and the note was extended one year; since that time the note has been past due but the interest has been paid annually. Your trustees endeavored to have the note paid but were informed by the owner of record that he could not pay it and that if pushed he would have to turn the lot over to the Department. Upon his paying the interest the note was extended five hundred dollars for six months and one thousand dollars for one year from April 7th, 1897. Your trustees believe that by the exercise of a little patience the note with interest can be collected in full.

2d. A note for five thousand dollars, signed by Edith A. Phelps and Lucy Phelps and secured by a second mortgage deed of trust signed by Edith A. Phelps on property described in said deed of trust as follows: "Beginning at the Southwest Corner of Cherry and Dollison Streets, thence south one hundred and one feet, thence west one hundred and seventy-five feet to an alley, thence north one hundred and one feet, thence east to place of beginning, in the City of Springfield, Mo." Upon this lot there is a two-story and attic frame building with about twelve rooms and a small frame stable. The note and deed of trust are dated June 1st, 1890, and are for three years, bearing interest at the rate of eight per cent per annum. We find, by endorsement on back of note, that the interest has been paid to June 1st, 1894; since that time no interest has been paid. The note is about four years past due and the interest delinquent three years. The property was sold last Fall by the holder of a third deed of trust and purchased with other property by the party selling, who now holds the title; this sale, of course, does not affect the Department claim, as it had to be sold subject to the Department second deed of trust, but the property has now passed out of the possession of Edith A. Phelps, who, so far as your trustee can find, has no other assets upon which anything could be realized, and there is no one to look to for the past due interest, which will on June 1st of this year amount to twelve hundred dollars, and which will consequently be a loss to the Department.

The first deed of trust has been reduced to fifteen hundred dollars, which together with special and general taxes past due and interest will amount to a little over two thousand dollars, and constitutes a first lien on the property.

Your trustees have perfected the following arrangements for the Department to acquire the property, which seems to them the most desir-

able thing to do under the circumstances, in order that as much of this loan may be saved as possible; that there will be a considerable loss there is no doubt, but your trustees believe that the following will reduce the loss to a minimum. We have arranged with the present holders of the title secured by purchase under sale by owners of third deed of trust to transfer the title to the Department of Missouri for a nominal consideration and repayment of taxes paid by them, and with the party holding the first deed of trust, which is a prior lien to that of the Department, to cancel their first deed of trust for the following consideration, and accept a first deed of trust from the Department of Missouri for about two thousand and fifty-one dollars and fifty cents, payable on or before three years after date thereof, and bearing six per cent interest per annum from date. The above amount of about \$2,051.50 being made up of the following items:

Balance due on first deed of trust	\$1,500 00
Interest on same, from January 3, 1895 to May 3, 1897 at six per cent	210 00
Special tax bill, paid by holder of first deed of trust	185 00
Interest on above special tax bill, from October 2, 1896 to May 3, 1897, paid by holder of first trust deed, and accrued since	6 50
General taxes, paid by purchaser under sale by owner of third deed of trust and the present holder of title, from 1890 and including 1896, six years	150 00
	\$2,051 50

Your trustees, after completing the above arrangements, find there is no authority for the Department Commander to sign notes and deeds of trust, and now present it to the Department Encampment for its action, with the recommendation that this Encampment direct the Department Commander to accept such conveyance, and in his official capacity as Department Commander to sign said notes and execute, acknowledge and deliver said deed of trust to the holder of said first lien as above set forth, and do such other things as may be necessary to carry out the arrangements made by the trustees in charge of the invested funds, and which shall best tend to secure the Department from loss.

J. L. BRIGGS, Chairman.
NELSON COLE.
C. W. WHITEHEAD.

The Department Commander: You have heard the report of Comrade Briggs, the chairman of this committee. What is your pleasure?

Question called.

The Department Commander put before the Encamp-

ment the question of the adoption of the recommendation in the report of the committee, and it was unanimously carried.

The Department Commander proceeded to announce the arrangement for the Parade, to take place at Warrensburg at 4 P. M.

The Department Commander: I have here the following telegram from our Commander-in-chief, Clarkson:

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 13th, 1897.

COL. T. B. RODGERS:

Will arrive at four this afternoon by Mo. Pac. Ry.

T. S. CLARKSON.

Comrade Sparklin, Post 131: Moved that a committee be appointed to receive the Commander-in-chief at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander: I have here also a telegram from Comrade Ferguson, Quincy, Ill., which reads as follows:

QUINCY, ILLS., May 13th, 1897.

T. B. RODGERS, Commander, G. A. R.:

Missed the train, announce I will call meeting Friday morning.

J. S. FERGUSON,

President Prisoners of War Ass'n.

Comrade Briggs, Post 14, moved that we now proceed to select a place for holding our next Annual Encampment.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Burton, Post 26: I will state, Department Commander and comrades, that I am commanded by your comrades who live in the southwestern portion of this State to ask you to hold your next State Encampment at the City of Carthage, in the County of Jasper. (Applause). There has been printed and distributed, a circular, and I presume that most of you, if not all of you, have received a copy of this little circular; if you have not, I will state to you that upon its second page is a resolution of Stanton Post extending to you a cordial invitation to hold your next Encampment at Carthage; on the next page is an official invitation from the Mayor and City Council of Carthage, also extending to you a cordial invitation to hold your next Encampment at Carthage; I will not stop to read it, for I have told you what it is, and you know that is no lie, you know that it is true. (Laughter.) On the next page is an invitation from the business men, composing the Commercial

Club; they also invite you to come; and now, comrades, I will say that Carthage is situated in the southwest corner of the State—not exactly in the corner, because it is about seventy-five miles from the Arkansas line and probably fifteen miles from the Kansas line. And I don't believe that anybody who has ever been in that town will dispute me when I say it is the prettiest town in the State of Missouri. (Applause, and voice, that is right.) St. Louis is not in it, boys. (Laughter.) I don't know how it occurred, but immediately after the war there was a good deal of Yankee pluck, manly brawn, brains and enterprise went to Carthage. I repeat that to-day, that it is the prettiest little city in the State of Missouri; and it is easy of communication; the Missouri Pacific and the Frisco roads both run through it. You can take a sleeper at St. Louis in the evening and in the morning you are in the city of Carthage. If you go by Missouri Pacific you go through my town, which is the next prettiest town in the State of Missouri. (Laughter.) I say it is easy of communication, and I say further, that we have there one of the best Grand Army Posts in the State of Missouri. I have never been in any Department Encampment that the members of that Post are not on your floor taking part in the proceedings. In addition to what I have already stated I will add that it is historic ground. The first battle was fought at Carthage. You Dutch boys all know who Siegel was. He commenced his fight ten miles north of Carthage. There was an army in front of it and an army in the rear of it, and they retreated to Carthage and then turned east and went up to Sarcoxie. In addition to that there is, running from the City of Carthage to Joplin and Galena an Electric Railway, which will carry you speedily from Carthage to those and various other towns, in the midst of the very best agricultural district that sun ever shone on, and yet in the heart of the great lead and zinc industry. Joplin is fourteen miles from Carthage. The towns are different, but not the character of the people; all of the people are the same there, they are all noble, public spirited and patriotic people in both of these towns. You received an invitation to go to Joplin and you went there and were cordially received and handsomely entertained, and I can assure you that you will have just as cordial a reception, and be just as hand-

somely entertained at Carthage as you were at Joplin. And now, in conclusion, I will say in behalf of its people, in behalf of every boy who wears the blue within 150 miles of the City of Carthage, I say let us accept this invitation to go to Carthage. (Applause.)

Comrade Calland, Post 69, moved that we accept the invitation to go to Carthage.

Seconded.

The Department Commander: I would state before putting the question, that I hold in my hand an invitation from another place. I have no desire to injure the chances of Carthage at all, and at the same time I desire to avoid injustice to any other City in the State.

Comrade Burton, Post 26: We only want fair play, let us hear from the others.

The Department Commander read the following invitation to go to Columbia, Mo.:

COLUMBIA, Mo., April 14th, 1897.

Thomas B. Rodgers, Assistant Adjutant-General, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., St. Louis, Mo.

SIR:—We, the undersigned citizens of Columbia, Mo., do hereby petition you to have held here in this city the annual meeting in camp of the Missouri Division of the G. A. R. in 1898, promising you that this city will welcome you and treat you with due courtesy. Board can be had from \$1.50 to \$2.50 per day.

G. L. NORVELL, Mayor of Columbia.
C. C. WELLS,
J. B. DOUGLASS,
L. H. EDWARDS,
R. L. TODD,
O. GUITAR,
BEN. E. TODD.

Comrade Scott, Post 5, seconded the motion to go to Carthage.

Comrade Cashion, Post 273: I want to ask a question. If we vote to go to Carthage will the Encampment be held in the City of Carthage, or out in the woods somewhere?

Comrade Burton, Post 26: That man has never been in Southwest Missouri or he would not put a question of that kind. (Laughter.) When we invite anybody to come down to our Southwest towns we give him the best we have got. If this

Department goes there it can go into the best Opera House, or hold its meetings in the Temples of the living God.

Comrade Heiny, Post 22, put Kirksville, Mo., in nomination.

Comrade Theis, Post 13, placed in nomination the City of Hannibal, Mo.

The Department Commander: We now have in nomination the Cities of Carthage, Kirksville, Columbia and Hannibal.

Comrade Edwards, Post 313: I have been going to these Encampments for the past six or seven years, and I must say that in Hannibal I was better taken care of than at any other place. I had money in my pocket to pay for what I got, but the people made me keep it. We colored comrades take money enough to pay for everything we eat, and I don't want to go down into the Southern country and starve to death with money in my pocket. I second the nomination of Hannibal.

Comrade Rassieur, Post 1, moved that we accept the invitation from Carthage.

Comrade Howenstein, Post 16: We have endeavored, for several years, to get the Encampment at our place. If you will come there I promise you a good entertainment. We have fine hotels, a good Opera House and every facility necessary to entertain you in as good style as you were ever entertained. And as far as colored comrades not receiving proper usage in Southwest Missouri is concerned, I will say that we are as patriotic, and have as much love for the old colored soldiers as they have in any other section of the State. We have a good many colored people among us and they are treated properly, and I can assure the colored comrades that they will be treated just as well as though they were white comrades.

On being put to vote, it was unanimously carried in favor of Carthage, Mo., as the place for holding the next Annual Encampment.

Comrade Benecke, Post 268: Are nominations in order for delegates to the National Encampment.

The Department Commander: I think they are.

Comrade Benecke, Post 268: For a number of years we have been represented by our worthy comrade who has passed beyond, Comrade Sherman. After Comrade Sherman answered

to the final roll call we sent as his successor Comrade A. J. Smith, who also has now been called away. And now I desire to place in nomination as a delegate-at-large, from this Department, a worthy successor of these gallant comrades whom I have named, in the person of Comrade John W. Noble.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I desire to second that nomination. No better selection could be made.

Comrade Williams, Post 276, moved that the rules be suspended and that Comrade John W. Noble be elected by acclamation.

Seconded, put to vote and carried.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: For alternate I take pleasure in presenting the name of Comrade Ira K. Alderman of Post 21.

Seconded.

Comrade Rogers, Post 17, moved that the rules be suspended and Comrade Alderman be elected by acclamation.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander: The next business in order will be the nomination of delegates to the National Encampment, as we have now provided for delegate and alternate-at-large.

The nominations were as follows:

HENRY LANGE, Post 13, St. Louis.

ADAM WENZEL, Post 2, St. Louis.

A. O. ENGLEMAN, Post 1, St. Louis.

R. W. DAVIS, Post 57, Brookfield.

J. S. ROGERS, Post 17, Cameron.

GEO. A. NEWCOMB, Post 131, St. Louis.

C. P. WOODRUFF, Post 69, Springfield.

GEO. HALL, Post 72, Trenton.

WM. NIEHAUS, Post 107, St. Louis.

THOS. H. MACKLIND, Post 1, St. Louis.

W. II. MENGEL, Post 276, Clarksburg.

II. J. PRINGLE, Post 29, Chillicothe.

H. E. ROBINSON, Post 21, Maryville.

F. D. W. ARNOLD, Post 34, Lamar.

ADAM THIES, Post 43, Hannibal.

G. A. DOUGLAS, Post 78, Warrensburg.

H. F. DEVOL, Post 8, Kansas City.

H. DEBELL, Post 459, St. Joe.
 JACKSON WALKER, Post 124, Bethany.
 J. W. ELDRIDGE, Post 69, Springfield.
 J. T. BIRDSEYE, Post 26, Nevada.
 IRA T. BRONSON, Post 53, Sedalia.
 G. W. TRAVIS, Post 173, Cape Girardeau.
 W. T. MUNSON, Post 130, Tina.
 GEO. C. HOWENSTEIN, Post 16, Carthage.
 WM. OWEN, Post 110, Kahokia.
 WM. BURKHARDT, Post 393, Milford.
 J. L. SMITH, Post 53, Sedalia.
 JAMES T. GRIFFIN, Post 96, Maysville.
 C. A. DAY, Post 4, Kansas City.
 CHAS. E. KOKEN, Post 301, St. Louis.
 CHAS. MITCHELL, Post 392, South West City.

Comrade Evans, Post 7: I wish to make a motion that in voting for these delegates who have been nominated for the National Encampment, that the fourteen receiving the highest vote be declared the delegates, and the fourteen receiving the next highest vote be declared the alternates.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Comrade Cole, Post 1, moved that recess be now taken till 1:30 P. M.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps were escorted into the Encampment.

Comrade Benecke, Post 268: I wish to introduce to you the President of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Scott, of Moberly, Mo. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: On behalf of the comrades of the Grand Army I will say that we are very glad to welcome you.

Mrs. Scott: Commander, and comrades of the Grand Army; before you receive this beautiful emblem of your order, I wish to say in behalf of the Woman's Relief Corps of Missouri, that we are not here for the purpose of disbanding, as

this occasion will attest, and as we have been reported, but to follow your destiny and that Flag as long as we are permitted. Department Commander, I now have the pleasure of introducing to you our Department Secretary, Mrs. Marion B. Bisbee. (Applause.)

Mrs. Bisbee: Commander, and comrades of the Grand Army; a non-obeyance of orders in the days that crowned you comrades, peerless and invincible, would have dimmed the bright glory of your record. The Woman's Relief Corps endeavors to be true to your past and present principles, and as a member of it, and obeying the command of our President, I have a most pleasing duty to perform. A flag is an emblem, and our love and respect for it is measured by our devotion to the principles for which it stands. The American Flag is the emblem of liberty, honor and courage, and your devotion to the emblem was proven, had proof been needed, at Shiloh, Antietam, Vicksburg, Gettysburg, Atlanta to the sea, in every engagement, in all places where one man, or many, was called on to offer his life for his country.

But we wish you to remember, it required no less courage, no less devotion to the Flag, for the mother, wife, daughter or sister to send the loved one forth, to bid him go, probably never to return. It required courage to calmly wait, to sit by the fire-side at night longing for, yet dreading the news from the front that shall tell her whether the one she holds most dear has fallen or been mercifully spared. The devotion and calm patience of the American women during the late war, has proven them, had proof been needed, fit companions of brave men, while you were enduring the fatigues of the march, the dangers of battle, or suffering in hospital or prison pen, they were earning bread for the families you entrusted to their care, or their busy fingers were making some article to be sent to you, to render more tolerable the burden you so nobly bore. Because of this, we claim the right to share with you, your honor and your glory, and like brave and generous men, you have accorded us the full measure of our right.

As an emblem of this mutual honor and glory, the bond that exists between the Woman's Relief Corps and the Grand Army, in the name of our Department President and in behalf

of the Woman's Relief Corps of Missouri, I present you this banner.

Its silken cloth and golden threads are emblematic of the richness of our love and veneration for the brave men, who followed the bullet pierced, shell torn banners of Grant and Meade, Sherman and Sheridan, Farragut, McPherson, Thomas, Logan, and all who fought in liberty's name, under the standard of the greatest of all men, Abraham Lincoln.

The Department Commander: President, and ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, I am free to confess that I am not competent to respond to such an eloquent address as your representative, Mrs. Bisbee, has made to the Department Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, but I can say this, and which I know will find an echo in the heart of every comrade present, and those not present throughout this whole Department, that words are inadequate to express our feelings of gratitude for this beautiful present which you have made to the Grand Army of the Republic of Missouri. When the Grand Army of the Republic turns out in Parade this Flag shall always be at the head of the column, and the members of this Department will always hold in kindly remembrance the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Song by the Kansas City Quartette—"It is the same old Flag."

Three cheers were then given to the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Song by the Kansas City Quartette—"Keep the campfires burning, in memory of the heroes brave." At the conclusion of which the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps retired from the Encampment.

Senior Vice Department Commander in the chair.

Report of the committee on the Department Commander's address:

Commander and Comrades:

Your committee on the address of the Department Commander submits the following report for your consideration:

1st. The address is one, the reading of which will inspire increased devotion to the trinity of principles of our noble order—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. Your committee recommends that a vote of thanks be extended by the Encampment to Department Commander

Thomas B. Rodgers for his able, impartial and patriotic discharge of duties, demonstrating that the Fifteenth Annual Encampment made no mistake in placing the banner of the Grand Army of the Republic for the Department of Missouri in his hands.

2d. Your committee endorse the recommendation of the Commander, as to the necessity of increasing the per capita tax. The reasons that demand such an increase are clearly set forth in the address. As to the amount to which it shall be increased your committee make no recommendation. It is to be regretted that conditions are such as to require an increase, but the conditions exist and it is our duty to meet them.

3d. The recommendation of the Commander as to the advisability of reducing the salary of the Assistant Adjutant General, who is also Assistant Quartermaster General is approved. With decreasing membership, even with a reasonable increase of the per capita tax, the expenses should be cut down to the least amount consistent with the welfare of the order. Your committee recommends that the salary of the Assistant Adjutant General be reduced to one hundred dollars a month.

4th. Your committee heartily endorses the recommendation of the Commander, permitting Posts to accept non-resident members on such terms and conditions as shall be prescribed by this Encampment, in accordance with the action of the National Encampment. This action will save to the order many old comrades whose Posts will in the near future—unless such action is taken—be compelled to disband for want of sufficient membership. It is our duty to keep the touch of elbows with our comrades, a touch that inspired us with fresh courage amid the rain of shot and shell of battle. Let that kindly touch inspire with fresh hope the comrade, hard pressed in the battle of life.

WM. WARNER,
NELSON COLE,
HIRAM SMITH, JR.,
C. W. WHITEHEAD,

Committee.

The Senior Vice Commander: What will you do with the report of the committee on the Department Commander's address?

The Department Commander: The Council of Administration has recommended a reduction in the salary of the Assistant Adjutant General; they recommended that it be decreased to \$1,600 a year.

Comrade Warner, Post 8, moved that the report be adopted, except clause three, regarding the salary of the Assistant Adjutant General.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Comrade Warner, Post 8: In accordance with the recommendation of the committee, so as to emphasize it, I am requested to move that a vote of thanks of the Encampment be tendered to Comrade Rodgers by giving him a rising vote of the Encampment.

Seconded, and a rising vote given.

The Department Commander: Comrades, I thank you. I am advised by the Marshal for the Parade that it will be necessary to start at 4 o'clock this afternoon, which will make it necessary for us to adjourn about 3 o'clock. I doubt if we can get through with the report of the Council of Administration in that time, so I would ask if there are any other committees to report.

The Assistant Adjutant General read the resolution in regard to carrying out the recommendation of the committee respecting the Phelps' loan.

Seconded.

Comrade Haynes, Post 131: I desire to offer as a substitute to make that payment read: "on or before," and change it to read "5" instead of "3."

Seconded by Comrade Alderman.

Comrade Rassieur, Post 1: I am simply endeavoring to comply with what the committee recommended in order to get it in such shape that it can be incorporated in the deed of trust as showing the action of the Department without going into other matters; a resolution to the following effect would cover the case, to-wit:

"Resolved, further, that authority be also given the Council of Administration to sell said premises, and the officers to execute, acknowledge and deliver the deed to said premises whenever a reasonable price, in the opinion of the Council of Administration, can be obtained therefor."

Comrade Martin, Post 57: It strikes me that this matter had better be left to the committee on loans. It strikes me, further, that the responsibility had better be divided between the three.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: If I understand the purport of Comrade Rassieur's resolution, it is intended to relieve the committee of the responsibility in reference to the sale of this property. That simply says what they can sell it for, and then

report those facts to the Council of Administration, who are the proper parties to act in the matter; that is my understanding of the resolution.

Comrade Henry, Post 3: It seems to me that the simplest way of arranging this matter with the least confusion is simply to add what the committee have asked to be done, and that is to authorize the officers of this Department to execute that mortgage, and then let the other matter come up by itself.

Comrade Rassieur, Post 1: Let me make my resolution read as follows, so as to meet the views which have been expressed, providing all amendments be withdrawn.

Comrade Rassieur then sent up the following resolution which was read by the Assistant Adjutant General:

Resolved, That the Department Commander of the Department of Missouri, G. A. R., (President) of this corporation, together with the Assistant Adjutant General, be authorized and directed to satisfy the first deed of trust on the "Phelps" property, situated in the City of Springfield, County of Greene, State of Missouri, and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the S. W. Cor. of Cherry and Dollison Streets, thence South 101 feet, thence West 175 feet to an alley, thence North 101 feet, thence East to the place of beginning. And be further authorized and directed to execute and deliver to the holder of said deed of trust a note for the amount due, to-wit: \$2,051.50, dated May 3d, 1897, and payable to said holder, or order, on or before five years after its date, and bearing interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, interest payable semi-annually, and to execute, acknowledge and deliver to said payee, in said note, a deed of trust on the said property above described, with the usual covenants regarding the keeping up of value, and insurance on the improvements on said premises of at least \$2,051.50 assigned to said deed of trust holder, payment of taxes thereon, and to secure the payment of said note.

Be it further Resolved, That authority be also given the standing committee on loans, to sell said premises whenever an acceptable price, in the opinion of the committee, can be obtained therefor, and the Department Commander (President), together with the Assistant Adjutant General, to execute, acknowledge and deliver a deed to said premises.

All amendments having been withdrawn, its adoption was moved.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander in the chair.

Report of the committee on the report of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General:

We, the committee on report of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, beg leave to report that we have examined the same and find it an admirable resume of the work of the Department during the year, showing careful and diligent attention to the duties of the office, and clear conception of the great principles of our order, and we recommend the adoption of this most excellent report.

J. F. CLULEY,
H. E. ROBINSON,
JERE. T. DEW.

The adoption of the report as read was moved.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander: I will now appoint the following committee to receive the Commander-in-Chief:

Comrades Wm. Warner, Nelson Cole, Leo Rassieur, Hiram Smith, Jr., C. W. Whitehead, Chas. G. Burton.

The Department Commander: I will also reappoint Comrade Briggs, of Post 14, as a member of the standing committee on loans for three years.

Report of the committee on Senior and Junior Vice Department Commander:

To the Department Commander:

Your committee, to whom was referred the reports of the Senior Vice Department Commander and Junior Vice Department Commander, respectfully report that they have considered the reports referred to them, and that they indicate that both of said officers have shown a commendable spirit of comradeship, and readiness for such service as might have come to their hands. Your committee commend the report of the Senior Vice Department Commander to the careful perusal of every comrade of this Department, especially that portion of the same referring to the matter of pensions, and the duty of standing by each other while we live; and also, that portion referring to the old flag.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. F. HEINY,
EUPHRATES BOUCHER,
JOHN HARNOIS,
Committee.

Its adoption moved.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Comrade Cole, Post 1, moved that the Encampment now adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

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The Department Commander: I will appoint the following comrades as a committee to wait on the Commander-in-Chief and escort him to the platform:

Comrade Nelson Cole, Post 1; Comrade T. H. Hagerty, Post 131; Comrade T. B. Tuttle, Post 16.

The Department Commander: Comrades of the Department of Missouri, it gives me great pleasure to introduce to you this morning our Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Clarkson, of Nebraska. (Applause.)

Comrade Clarkson: Comrades of the Department of Missouri, it is a great pleasure for me to be with you here to-day; but as I go about from one Department to another and see so many brave-hearted, big-hearted, and enthusiastic comrades, it is the same wherever I go. The boys are rapidly dropping off, they are getting older, and older. But I will tell you their hearts are in the right place. You have my heart, boys, most thoroughly, and I want to take every comrade here by the hand before I leave this room. Department Commander, I wish you would do me the pleasure of calling a recess after I say a few words here, so that I may take every one of these boys by the hand. (Applause.) Now, there is only a word that I want to say to you further, and that is this: We are growing old, and getting old fast. Many of the comrades, by reason of their age and poverty, are unable to keep up their assessments with us, and our suspended list is growing very rapidly; can we not find some way by which we can bring back these old boys to the fold? Can we not in some way reduce the dues, or do something by which we can bring those old suspended boys back? They want to touch elbows with us, but they are proud about it; they have got pride, and when they get behind with their dues they do not like to attend the meetings. I am sure if you will invite them back you will reduce greatly the suspended list in Missouri. We must stand shoulder to shoulder just as we did when we were in the field. My comrades, I could talk from now to the day of judgment, it seems to me, about the

magnificent work of this grand body of men, but you came here for business and not for wind, and I will simply thank you for the courtesy you have shown me as your Commander-in-Chief. (Applause.)

Recess was declared to enable the Commander-in-Chief to shake hands with every comrade in the Encampment, which he proceeded to do.

AFTER RECESS.

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131, presented to the Commander-in-Chief a gavel made from wood taken from the Wilson Creek battlefield.

The Commander-in-Chief: I thank you from the bottom of my heart. I have been all over the State of Missouri, and no one knows better than I do, what Missouri men are made of. I assure you that I appreciate this very highly. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: Comrades, by your vote yesterday afternoon you made the election of officers the special order of business for this morning. That is now in order.

Comrade Peterson, Post 131: For the purpose of facilitating business, and in accordance with the custom which has prevailed in the past, I would suggest that we now go into the election of delegates first.

Seconded.

The Department Commander: Motion has been made and seconded that the Department proceed to the election of delegates to the National Encampment in advance of the election of officers; that is the question.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: It probably might be well to distribute the tickets and then in twenty or thirty minutes after go into the election. I will offer as a substitute, that the tickets be distributed and the election of delegates be made a special order of business at 10 o'clock.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander directed the distribution of the ballots, which was done.

Comrade Warner, Post 8: I have attended every Department Encampment of Missouri, and I have seen a gavel made from wood from the battlefield of Wilson's Creek presented by Chaplain Hagerty at every one of these Encampments. Now, I move you, for the preservation of the wood on that sacred

spot, that steps be taken to enjoin the Chaplain from cutting down any more of that timber. (Laughter.)

Comrade Hagerty, Post 131: I wish to say to Comrade Warner that I have never cut a stick of timber on the Wilson Creek battlefield, but nobler hands than mine have done it.

Comrade Warner: I will accept the apology and withdraw the motion.

Report of the committee on reports of Medical Director, Chaplain, Judge Advocate and Chief Mustering Officer.

Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic:

Your committee appointed to consider the reports of the Medical Director, Chaplain, Judge Advocate and Chief Mustering Officer, beg to present the following report: Your committee have read, with interest and examined with care, these various reports and find evidence of care and efficiency in the collated data for the year just closing.

1. The Medical Director complains bitterly, together with all other Department officers, of the difficulty of obtaining the desired information required by the Department regulations. Your committee recognize the importance of the data required at the hands, particularly of the local surgeons. The mortality facts provided for in the blanks sent to the local posts, if prepared with care, will furnish evidence and history which will prove valuable information in the future, but if the facts are *not carefully* collated, the efforts of the Department in this respect will be fruitless.

2. The report of the Chaplain is satisfactory and replete with many helpful suggestions. His pleasant face and cheering words were heard in a number of the Posts during the year.

3. The Judge Advocate has found no occasion for the exercise of the prerogatives of his office. The quiet routine of the local Post-work has required no court martials or discipline. Unless some of the local Posts make a racket the duties of this officer will be small.

4. The Chief Mustering Officer has had occasion to muster in but one Post during the year. We hope he shall have numerous calls during the year to come.

Your committee commend the fidelity of these Department officers, and ask the local Posts to render all help possible to aid them in the execution of their trust.

Your committee make the following recommendation: In order that the reports from the local Posts may be complete and promptly forwarded to headquarters, we recommend that the report blanks for the local surgeons and local chaplains be sent directly to the Commanders

of the Posts, and that they, the Commanders, be urgently requested to see that the reports are filled out correctly and forwarded promptly to the proper Department officers.

JAS. McCLURE,
W. C. CALLAND,
WM. DRECHSLER.

Committee.

It was moved that the report be received and adopted.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General imparted the information to the Encampment that the Adjutant General of the Grand Army of the Republic would arrive on the next train, and recommended the appointing of a committee to meet him at the train and escort him to the Encampment.

The Department Commander appointed the following named comrades as a committee to meet the Adjutant General:

F. M. Sterrett, Post 1; Jere T. Dew, Post 8, and J. F. Smith, Post 53.

The committee from the Woman's Relief Corps, consisting of Mrs. Day, Mrs. Harnois and Mrs. Birdseye, were escorted into the Encampment. Mrs. Day, chairman of the committee, submitted the following report:

WARRENSBURG, MO., May 13th, 1897.

Thos. B. Rodgers, Commander of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, and Comrades:

It affords me extreme pleasure to emulate the cherished deeds of my worthy predecessors, in presenting to you the greetings of the Woman's Relief Corps of Missouri, welded by the sincerity of every member for your welfare, and in connection therewith I have the honor of reporting the work accomplished by your auxiliary for the year ending March 31st, 1897.

Number of Corps in the Department	87
Net gain in Corps	3
Total membership	2116
Total amount in general fund of Corps	\$1,443 24
Total amount in relief fund of Corps	995 68
Cash expended for relief	\$2,026 71
Value of relief other than cash	1,849 28
To Army Nurses	26 00
To Andersonville Prison fund	13 45
Woman's Relief Corps National Home, Madison, Ohio	109 82
Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers Home, St. James, Mo., cash	248 75
Value of donations other than cash	385 00
Total value of assistance rendered	\$4,658 99

We have assisted 1,165 comrades and their families, and 251 members of our order and their families, during the year.

The foregoing does not include many handsome donations of cash and useful articles, not reported officially.

In your march through the valley of time, and as you reach each succeeding milestone, the splendid report we present you from year to year, is evidence of increased energy and devotion of our order in the work we assume. Gratefully remembering the many kind and courteous acts of Commander Rodgers and Adjutant General Pachall, and many other comrades whose recognition was equal to our devotion, and renewing our pledge of fidelity and loyalty to your future welfare, I am,

Yours in F., C. and L.

LUCINDA A. SCOTT,

MARION B. BISBEE,

Department President.

Department Secretary.

After which the Encampment was addressed by Mrs. Harnois and Mrs. Birdseye.

The Department Commander: The hour has now arrived to take the vote on delegates to the National Encampment. I will appoint the following comrades as tellers, to collect and count the ballots:

Martin Scherer, Post 13; T. S. Maxwell, Post 1; J. F. Cluley, Post 131; B. Knopfel, Post 43; W. J. Elliott, Post 8; Ulrich Snider, Post 7.

The tellers then proceeded to take up the ballots and retired to count the same.

The Department Commander: Nominations are now in order for Department Commander. What action do you propose to take in regard to the length of speeches?

Comrade Cole, Post 1, moved that the nominating speeches be limited to three minutes, and the seconding speeches to one minute.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander: Nominations are now in order for Department Commander.

Comrade Cahoon, Post 174: Commander and comrades of the Department of Missouri: In the selection of a Department Commander, I take it that there are certain things we will all agree upon. First, I think we will agree that the Grand Army of the Republic, so far as concerns the Department of Missouri, is in a very particular, if not critical, epoch in its

career; and that if we are not to recede in influence, and lose in membership, it is essential that every effort in our power should be exerted to at least hold the present membership that we have in this State, and increase that membership, if possible, especially in the way of bringing together into working order many of our suspended comrades. I take it that the next thing that we will agree upon is this: That who shall be our Department Commander should not be determined by locality; that is to say, the question as to whether he is a city man or a country man, ought not to determine our action. I am sure that I am a country man myself. I make no pretension to being a prodigy from the country, nevertheless I am a country man and expect to die a country man. Notwithstanding this fact, I desire to place in nomination Comrade Peterson, of Ransom Post, who, in my view, possesses in an eminent degree the qualities that would fit him for Commander of the Department above anybody that I know of; notwithstanding there are many noble and competent men in the Department, Comrade Peterson, in my judgment, possesses those qualities which are superior to any other man before us. Comrade Peterson has the time and the means to give much attention to the needs of the Posts in Missouri. Comrade Peterson has all the virtues of a man; he has all the excellence of a soldier, and is devoted to the members of our Order, and I think it necessary to the prosperity of our Order in the State of Missouri to make Comrade Peterson our Department Commander. (Applause.)

Comrade Henry, Post 3, placed in nomination Comrade John P. Platt, Post 33.

Comrade Hall, Post 72, placed in nomination Comrade W. B. Rogers, Post 72.

Comrade Mosman, Post 7, placed in nomination Comrade Thos. W. Evans, Post 7.

Comrade Gurney, Post 76, seconded the nomination of Comrade Platt.

Comrade Carpenter, Post 297, seconded the nomination of Comrade Peterson.

Comrade Edwards, Post 343, seconded the nomination of Comrade Peterson.

Comrade Alderman, Post 21, seconded the nomination of Comrade Evans.

Comrade Brooks, Post 6, seconded the nomination of Comrade Peterson.

Comrade Martin, Post 57, seconded the nomination of Comrade Platt.

Comrade Young, Post 496, seconded the nomination of Comrade Peterson.

Comrade Birdseye, Post 26, seconded the nomination of Comrade Peterson.

Comrade Reading, Post 384, seconded the nomination of Comrade Platt.

Comrade Skinner, Post 124, seconded the nomination of Comrade Platt.

Comrade Mahan, Post 327: These men are all good men, and as time is very precious with us just now, I move you that these speeches be stopped, and that we proceed to ballot at once.

Comrade Benecke, Post 268, seconded the nomination of Comrade Platt.

It was moved that nominations close.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried,

The Department Commander appointed the following named comrades as tellers:

Henry Evers, Post 2; D. R. Haynes, Post 131; D. P. Stubblefield, Post 33; Richard Horrigan, Post 7.

A ballot was then taken for Department Commander, and the tellers retired to count the votes.

The Department Commander: I have just been informed that a delegation from the Sons of Veterans have arrived at the out post. If there is no objection, recess will be taken that we may receive this committee of the Sons of Veterans.

The Department Commander introduced Brother R. Lobenstein to the Encampment.

Commander Rodgers and Gentlemen of the Grand Army of the Republic:

When the Division Commander, this morning, appointed a committee to convey the greetings of the Missouri Division, Sons of Veterans, to your Department Encampment, I little

thought that the number of brothers who would escort the committee into your presence would reach such proportions as to necessitate the adjournment of our own meeting. But you can see for yourselves that we have upon this platform nearly the entire membership of our Encampment.

I apprehend that they are present upon this occasion, not from lack of confidence in their committee to properly discharge the very pleasant duty devolving upon them, but rather from an innate desire to show how highly they regard the heroes of the dark days of 1861-65, who now constitute the Grand Army of the Republic.

The Sons of Veterans are ever ready to follow where the Grand Army of the Republic leads, and as this Department, several years ago, decided that it was necessary to have a "Daughter of the Department," and proceeded to adopt Miss Eldredge as such "Daughter," so we have found it essential to our happiness to have a "Sister." Recognizing the good judgment of the comrades of this Department in such matters, we felt that we could not improve upon their choice, and it is with pleasure that I announce to you that the same estimable young lady, known to you as your "Daughter" is now also known to us as the "Sister of the Missouri Division."

You are doubtless aware that this is the first occasion in the history of our Order in this State that the Encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic and Sons of Veterans have been held at the same time and place. That this is for the best interests of our Order there can be no doubt.

We want to get in the closest possible touch with the Grand Army of the Republic. We want you to know more of the work in which we are engaged. We want you to know that the Sons of Veterans have no desire to usurp any of the honors, or glory, or prerogatives that rightfully belong to the Union soldier. No one should be more anxious to guard the rights of your comrades, their widows and their orphans, than are your Sons. No one, more than they, can hold in higher esteem the survivors of that great struggle for national unity. No one, more than they, can show greater reverence for the memories of those of your comrades who lost their lives in the service, or who have since passed away.

It is one of the purposes of our organization to perpetuate the proper observance of Memorial Day. On that day we offer our tribute of love and gratitude to the memories of those who have answered to the roll-call of the Great Commander on the other shore. On that day we reverently bow our heads and pray God to preserve in honor this Nation that you and your comrades offered or gave your lives to maintain.

Monuments of granite may be erected to commemorate the services and sacrifices of the Union soldier, but I feel that no grander memorial could be devised than an organization such as ours. Let us build upon a foundation of loyalty, cemented together by charity and friendship, a living monument to the Union soldier that shall forever endure. Let its shaft—pure and spotless American manhood—proclaim to the world that the Sons of the Union soldier are imbued with the same noble, loyal spirit that actuated their fathers and that our own blood is pledged to preserve that which we so gladly receive.

We bring to you from the Sons of Veterans of Missouri a message of love and affection for the noble heroes who risked their lives that we might enjoy the many privileges this glorious Nation affords. We want you to know that we appreciate the sacrifices you have made and that we are banded together to perpetuate the principles that you so firmly upheld. We want to assure you that the lustre of "Old Glory" shall never be dimmed, and that each star in its glorious firmament of blue shall ever beckon us to stand for the honor of the Nation and the purity of American citizenship. We come to you to assure you of our high regard for your organization and of our desire to assist you in the work in which you are engaged. We are eager that you should know of the love and esteem we have for the Union soldier. We want you to know of our reverence for the memories of your departed comrades, and to assure you that their and your sacrifices and services for the Union shall ever be gratefully remembered.

We do not believe in honoring heroes only after they are dead. We believe in bestowing upon the living a full measure of the honors that are justly and rightfully theirs. We believe that recognition should be accorded the Union soldier while he is yet with us that he may realize that the loyal people of our

Nation are not unmindful of nor ungrateful for his services. We feel that the debt of the Nation to its defenders can never be fully discharged, and that adequate provision should be made for the surviving Union soldiers, those dependent upon him, and those whom your departed comrades left behind.

We want to see "Old Glory" floating from every school house and public building in our land. We want the youth of the land to be taught loyalty in our public schools and we want the story of the patriotism of our beloved fathers truthfully told.

Permit me, Commander, in concluding, on behalf of Missouri's Sons, to thank you personally for the able assistance you have ever given the Sons of Veterans, and to thank you, gentlemen, for your very kind attention.

The Commander called on Comrade Wm. Warner to respond, which he did as follows:

Department Commander. Sons of Veterans:

Called upon unexpectedly, yet the opportunity of responding to your address on behalf of these old veterans is one of the chief pleasures of my life. When Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic it was my pleasure, as I felt it to be my duty, to say to these old comrades, your fathers, that we must get the boys nearer to us, or rather that we must get nearer to the boys, if we wished to secure the blessings for which we fought. (Applause.) Sons of Veterans, to you let me say that while there are orders of nobility throughout the world, while there are young men proud to trace their ancestors to the men who fought in the Revolution, in the war of 1812, or in the Mexican war, yet the time is fast coming, yea, is at hand, when the highest title to nobility that any young man or woman can claim is to stand up and say, "My father fought for the preservation of the Union." (Applause.)

On behalf of these, my comrades, I congratulate you that you have in your Encampment been so wisely guided as to select for your sister the daughter of the Grand Army of the Republic. (Applause.) We honor our sons. The pride of the father is to look at the young boy, trusting that he fulfill the duties and requirements of honorable manhood; yet while we honor our sons we love our daughters, and you do also. I believe. (Applause and laughter.) But let me suggest that

no one of you should love too many or too many of you love the same one. (Laughter.)

The thought expressed by your companion who conveyed your greetings to this organization affected every old comrade, and that was the expression—"Let us honor the men who did the fighting in their life time." Yes, honor is due the men who followed Old Glory from Fort Donaldson to Appomattox, as their pillar of cloud by day and of fire by night. The promise of the Nation is preference to these veterans to civil office; this promise was crystallized into a law when Farragut was lashed to the mast in Mobile Bay, when Thomas was hurling Hood back from Nashville, when Sheridan was thundering down the Shenandoah, when Sherman was marching from Atlanta to the Sea and when Grant was fighting in the Wilderness. That promise was a preference for appointment in civil positions to the men who fought to save the nation. (Applause.) A promise that should be faithfully kept by the Nation in the hour of its prosperity.

There comes out of the past from the field of Gettysburg a voice of wondrous pathos saying, "A grateful Nation will care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and orphans." (Applause.)

A word in conclusion: It seems but a few years since these, my comrades, your fathers, marched to the front with forms erect, with heads as black as the raven and with elastic step, with life before them; they were then as lithe and active as you are to-day. At the call of him who proclaimed the year of eternal jubilee to a race, they marched forth to fight for home, country and God. (Applause.) Boys, sons of veterans, place your lives, your fortunes, your all, upon the altar of your country and register in Heaven an oath with that of the martyr, Abraham Lincoln, to preserve, protect and defend the Union given us by the fathers. (Applause.)

Three cheers were proposed and given for the Sons of Veterans.

When the Sons of Veterans, as they were leaving the Encampment, gave three cheers for the Grand Army of the Republic of Missouri.

Whereupon the Encampment returned to the regular order of business.

The Department Commander: The tellers report the following as the result of the ballot for Department Commander:

Total number of votes cast, 431; necessary to a choice, 216, of which Comrade Jno. P. Platt received 259, Comrade A. G. Peterson received 145 and Comrade Thos. W. Evans received 27. I therefore declare Comrade Jno. P. Platt duly elected Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Evans, Post 7, moved that the rules be suspended and the election of Comrade Platt be made unanimous, which was seconded by Comrade Peterson, put to vote, and carried.

Comrade Warner, Post 8: I would move you, sir, that Comrades Peterson and Evans be appointed a committee to escort the Department Commander elect to the platform.

Seconded, put to a vote, and carried.

Comrade Platt, the Department Commander elect, was escorted to the platform by Comrades Peterson and Evans.

Comrade Platt, Post 33: Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Missouri, I want to say to you to-day, and right now, that I thank you for the compliment that has been bestowed upon me, and which has been brought about more by my friends than by myself. And I want to say further that my heart is engaged in this work, and has been for years. And I think that one year from now you will not regret the action you have taken to-day. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: Nominations are now in order for Senior Vice Department Commander:

Comrade Becker, Post 13, placed in nomination Comrade J. G. Zimmerer, Post 13.

Comrade Cole, Post 1, placed in nomination Comrade Henry Fairback, Post 131.

Comrade Burton, Post 26, placed in nomination Comrade Chas. H. Morgan, Post 34.

Comrade Alderman, Post 21, seconded the nomination of Comrade Fairback.

Comrade Boucher, Post 118, seconded the nomination of Comrade Morgan.

Comrade Leeper, Post 146, moved that nominations close. Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander instructed the same tellers as were appointed in the case of the Department Commander to collect and count the ballots.

The Department Commander announced nominations in order for Junior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade Hedges, Post 78: Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, I have a very pleasant duty to perform for Col. Grover Post, of Warrensburg, Mo. You have an unwritten law that you have practiced for many years, that at the place where you hold your Encampment, you give them the Junior Vice Department Commander. The comrade on whom the mantle should fall at Warrensburg, is from the United States of Ohio. (Laughter.) He enlisted in 1861, served three years, and then re-enlisted and served till the close of the war. He came into the Grand Army of the Republic in 1884, and has now been, for two years, Post Commander of Col. Grover Post No. 78. He has been called to several places of distinction by the suffrages of his people; he is to-day Mayor of this City. He is the man who gave you the eloquent address of welcome last night—the Hon. Chas. E. Clark. (Applause.)

Comrade Dreifus, Post 1, moved that the rules be suspended and that Comrade Clark be declared the choice of the Encampment for Junior Vice Department Commander.

Seconded.

Moved that nominations close.

Seconded, put to a vote, and lost.

The Department Commander: Nominations are still open.

Comrade Scott, Post 5, placed in nomination Comrade Wm. Lowe, of Post 78.

Comrade Jenkins, Post 8: On behalf of the delegates from Kansas City, and by request of the members of this Post, it gives me great pleasure to second the nomination of Comrade Lowe. I am told that he is a man always industrious in the cause of Grand Army work. We have experienced his open-handed generosity while we have been here, and the Comrades

will take great pleasure in voting Comrade Lowe into this place.

Comrade Rogers, Post 78: I take great pleasure in seconding the nomination of Comrade Lowe. Comrade Lowe has been a member of Col. Grover Post from the time of its organization, and he has always been an enthusiastic worker in it, and when necessary to spend money he has always been ready.

Moved that nominations close, and we proceed to ballot.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander appointed the following named comrades as tellers:

G. W. Edwards, Post 343; W. S. Mahan, Post 327; W. M. Woods, Post 358.

The Adjutant General, Comrade Burmester, was then introduced to the Encampment.

The Adjutant General: Commander and Comrades, I did not expect to have the pleasure of being with you, but matters so shaped themselves that I was obliged to catch the Commander-in-Chief on the wing, and found that I could do it more conveniently here than at any other point. It gives me great pleasure to be here and say how do you do, and that is about all I will say, because I am not a speech-maker. The Commander-in-Chief does the talking, and attends to the administration of affairs, while I do the other work. I trust that your deliberations here have been such as to be of good to the order. There is one thing that I will mention particularly to the Post Commanders that may be present, and that is, you do not realize, I do, and the Assistant Adjutant General does, how much trouble and worry, we, of the Adjutant General's Department, have in getting returns in at the proper time, and which delays are caused by the carelessness, I will not say negligence, on the part of Post Commanders. That delays the report of the Assistant Adjutant General to National Headquarters. Now I want to ask all our Post Commanders that are present here to-day to take this matter to heart and make up your mind when you go home to instruct your Adjutants and Quartermasters of your Posts to have their reports ready at the last meeting in June, for your sake, and see that they do it. Do not wait until the

last day of June or the first day of July, but have it done and ready by the last meeting in June, and then sign your reports and have them ready for the Assistant Adjutant General of the Department, and that will give him a chance to consolidate his report and get it off to the Adjutant General, for the Adjutant General has to have his reports ready for the National Encampment at Buffalo in August next. I want to say again that I am glad to be with you. God bless you. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: The tellers report the following as the result of the ballot for Senior Vice Department Commander:

Total vote cast, 259; necessary for a choice, 130, of which Comrade C. H. Morgan, received 139, Comrade Henry Fairback, 43, and Comrade J. G. Zimmerer, 75 votes. I therefore declare Comrade C. H. Morgan duly elected Senior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Morgan being called for spoke as follows:

Commander and Comrades. I will not detain you at all, I merely came forward to thank you for the greatest honor I ever received in my life. (Applause) I am prouder to receive your votes than I was when I was elected Sergeant of my Company in 1861. And I promise you to-day, what I have striven to do all my life, to do all that I can to advance the interests of the old soldier. We are growing older; we need more help; we need kindly words; we need assistance in this life, and that is my duty, as well as the duty of all, to do the best I can towards my surviving comrades. I thank you profoundly for this office. I will do my duty as best I can. I thank you. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: The next business in order is nominations for Medical Director.

Comrade Jenkins, Post 8: I rise to nominate for that position a distinguished physician of Kansas City, Dr. Burrill, who is a faithful Grand Army man, and will do anything he can for the old soldier, whether the old soldier has a dollar in his pocket or not. We trust that our comrades will appreciate that quality in the Doctor and elect him to that office. (Applause.)

Comrade Peterson, Post 131, moved that nominations close and that the rules be suspended and Doctor Burrell be elected by acclamation.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Whereupon the Department Commander declared Comrade Burrill duly elected Medical Director for the ensuing year.

The Department Commander: Nominations are now in order for Department Chaplain.

Comrade Warner, Post 8: This Encampment is no exception to the ordinary Encampment. Too many of the old comrades, I regret to say, are too worldly. They come here to get the offices of honor and distinction, and they forget all about their immortal souls. The Chaplain is an important officer. And while I have made these remarks partly in levity, yet I wish to say that the Chaplain not only points the way, but by his every day acts is an exemplar of the trinity of the principles of our noble order—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. (Applause.) The Chaplain who believes in extending a helping hand to an old broken and worn comrade, who has fallen by the wayside, shall count for more in Heaven than stately monument of granite and bronze erected to the dead. (Applause.) The Chaplain who throws the mantle of charity over the shortcomings of an old comrade, rather than turning on him the searchlight of criticism; the Chaplain who believes that a man who is a good member of the Grand Army of the Republic, a man who discharges his duty well and faithfully in any position in the army, when he shall be summoned to break camp and pitch his tent on the other side, shall take up his march through the Valley of the Shadow of Death, fearing no evil, feeling that there is nothing here to regret or there to fear. Such a man I have the honor of placing in nomination. A comrade that every member of our Grand Army of the Republic loves to honor, and hopes that he may be with us for a quarter of a century to come. I nominate our old faithful Chaplain, Comrade Hagerty. (Applause.)

Comrade Young, Post 496, moved that nominations close, that the rules be suspended and Comrade Hagerty be elected by acclamation.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander then declared Comrade Hagerty duly elected Department Chaplain for the ensuing year.

The Department Commander: The tellers report the following as the result of the vote for Junior Vice Department Commander:

Total number of votes cast, 214; necessary to a choice, 108, of which Comrade Wm. Lowe, received 144, and Comrade Charles E. Clark, received 70 votes.

I therefore declare Comrade Wm. Lowe duly elected Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

The Department Commander: The next business in order is the election of five members of the Council of Administration.

Comrade Jenkins, Post 8, placed in nomination Comrade E. F. Rogers, Post 4.

Comrade Hartman, Post 13, placed in nomination Comrade F. P. Becker, Post 13.

Comrade Rassieur, Post 1, placed in nomination Comrade Arnold Beck, Post 1.

Comrade Newcomb, Post 131, placed in nomination Comrade N. W. Taylor, Post 131.

Comrade Mosman, Post 7, placed in nomination Comrade J. W. Beach, Post 7.

Comrade Peterson, Post 131, moved that the nominations close and the rules be suspended, and the five comrades who have been nominated be elected by acclamation.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander then declared the five nominees duly elected members of the Council of Administration.

Comrade Tracy, Post 69, called the attention of the Encampment to the thirty-sixth anniversary of the battle of Wilson Creek, which is to be celebrated at Springfield, Mo., on the tenth day of August next, and introduced Comrade Cloud, of Kansas City, who was in the battle, and who urged a large attendance.

Motion to adjourn until 1.30 p. m.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION, MAY 14th, 1897.

The Department Commander in the Chair.

The Committee on Resolutions, through its Chairman, Comrade Martin, submitted the following report:

To the Sixteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic:

Your Committee on Resolutions respectfully report as follows:

In regard to the Memorial of Yeager-Sharp Post No. 82, asking for legislation relating to Memorial Day. That while this Encampment approves the sentiment expressed and the object sought, it believes that the remedy for the evil cannot be successfully obtained through legislation, but that we heartily endorse the action of the National Encampment, urging all comrades and Posts to discreetly, and in all practical ways, seek to procure a proper observance of Memorial Day by all people.

GEO. W. MARTIN,
IRA K. ALDERMAN,
HENRY EVERS,
M. G. NETHERTON.

Comrade Benecke, Post 268, moved its adoption.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The following resolutions submitted by Post 58:

Resolved, That the Honorable Commissioner of Pensions annul the rule demanding unattainable evidence in pension claims.

Resolved, That the Honorable Commissioner of Pensions be requested to adopt a rule whereby one witness shall be sufficient in a pension claim wherein the claimant is unable to obtain further evidence.

Your Committee recommends that the foregoing resolution be referred to the National Committee on Pensions, with the recommendation that it receive such consideration as the same is evidently entitled to.

Upon motion the recommendation was adopted.

Your Committee on Resolutions, on its own motion, fearing that some little matters might be overlooked, offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Encampment be extended to Col. Grover Post No. 78, and to the good people of Warrensburg for their cordial reception and earnest, faithful and zealous efforts to make our stay in their midst a pleasant one.

Our thanks are also due, and are gratefully tendered to the railroads of the State that have, at this time, and in the past, so liberally dealt with our order in the way of reducing rates.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Encampment be tendered to Commander-in-Chief Clarkson for his visit and words of cheer, and that we bid him God speed in his farther labors in behalf of our grand organization.

Resolved, That we recognize with special gratitude, that noble auxiliary to our order, the Woman's Relief Corps of this department, and assure it of our continued hearty support and sympathy, and that the thoughtfulness in procuring and presenting a regulation department flag to this department, is but another manifestation of the prudent foresight and careful watchfulness of the women of that order, which has so often, on former occasions, shown their diligence in working out the principles of their order.

It was moved that all the resolutions except those in regard to the Commander-in-Chief, and the Woman's Relief Corps, be adopted, and those two resolutions be adopted by a rising vote, and that the Committee be empowered to add a proper resolution regarding the Sons of Veterans.

The amendment accepted.

Seconded, and carried by a rising vote.

Comrade Benecke, Post 268: I desire to make a report from the Committee appointed to visit the Woman's Relief Corps. I will state that we have performed our duty.

On motion the Committee on Resolutions was discharged, with the thanks of the Encampment.

Report of the Council of Administration:

WARRENSBURG, MO., May 13, 1897.

To the Sixteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic:

The Council submits the following report:

The first meeting of the Council was held at St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 16, 1896. The following members were present: Thos. B. Rodgers, Department Commander; Thos. H. Hagerty, Department Chaplain; Jno. B. Pachall, Assistant Adjutant General; A. O. Engleman, Louis C. Hesse and Jos. A. Wherry, elected members.

Replies by letter from each member of the Council, not present, to letters sent them by the Assistant Adjutant General, requesting them to indicate their preference for date of Department Encampment, were presented.

The following proceedings were had:

Upon motion it was voted to hold the Sixteenth Annual Encampment on Thursday and Friday, May 13 and 14, 1897.

The Council held its next meeting at Pertle Springs, on Wednesday, May 12, 1897, when the following members were present: Thos. B.

Rodgers, Department Commander; Thos. W. Evans, Senior Vice Department Commander; B. Knoepfel, Junior Vice Department Commander; Thos. H. Hagerty, Department Chaplain; Jno. B. Pachall, Assistant Adjutant General, Jno. P. Platt, Department Inspector; Thos. B. Tuttle, Chief Mustering Officer, and A. O. Engeiman, C. A. Mosman, elected members.

The following proceedings were had:

The Department Commander appointed Comrades Mosman, Evans and Tuttle a Committee to examine and audit the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.

Upon motion the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to reinstate Post 469, upon payment of one year's per capita tax; also all other suspended Posts upon the same terms.

Upon motion the Department Commander was authorized to suspend Posts 154, 511, 521 and 523, unless they forwarded all reports and per capita tax prior to August 1, 1897.

Upon motion the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to employ Stenographer C. C. Cowan to report the proceedings of the Encampment.

Upon motion the Council resolved to recommend the following appropriations: For the relief and burial of friendless Union Soldiers, \$100.00; for traveling expenses of the Department Commander, \$250.00.

They also recommend that the salary of the Assistant Adjutant General be reduced to \$1,600.00 per annum, and that the salary of the Department Inspector be reduced to \$50.00 per annum.

In making these recommendations, the Council desires it to be distinctly understood that they are not to be considered, as the estimation in which it values the services of these officers. The Council is moved to make them, because of the straightened financial condition of the Department. The Council also recommends that the per capita tax be increased from twenty cents to thirty cents per annum for the ensuing year. In the judgment of the Council, this increase is necessary, notwithstanding the reduction in salaries heretofore recommended.

The following report of the Committee to examine and audit the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and the Assistant Quartermaster General, was approved:

PERTLE SPRINGS, May 13, 1897.

Thos. B. Rodgers, Department Commander:

The undersigned Committee, appointed to examine and audit the books and accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, report that we have carefully examined the vouchers, as well as the books, and have audited the same. We find the books well kept and in good shape. We find one error in the entire

year's accounts; an error in the footings for the month of December, which will change the balance cash on hand, as printed, from \$99.26 to \$109.26. Proper vouchers appear for every disbursement shown.

C. A. MOSMAN,
THOS. B. TUTTLE,
THOS. W. EVANS,

Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General and Recorder.

Comrade Jenkins, Post 8, moved that the report of the Council of Administration be received and adopted.

Seconded.

Comrade Henry, Post 8: It seems to me that the report of the Council of Administration ought not to be adopted in toto; there is a considerable portion that I am in favor of, and some that I think ought to be amended. In regard to the salaries of our officers, they are probably worth all they have received, yet it is a fact that we must transact our business within our means, if we can find competent men to perform those duties who are willing to perform them. Now I believe it is a mistake to cut down the amount allowed to the Inspector so low as \$50.00 a year. Any Comrade who has been Inspector of this Department, knows that if he is going to render any service at all, that it is worth more than \$50.00 a year. If I were Department Inspector I would not take \$50.00 a year compensation, I would prefer to do the work for nothing and let the Department pay the necessary expenses. I don't think the Inspector's salary ought to be reduced so low as \$50.00. I believe, also, that there are competent Comrades in this Department who would be willing to perform the duties of Assistant Adjutant General, and who would be a credit to this Department on all occasions, who would be willing to perform those duties for much less than \$1,600.00, as proposed by the Council of Administration. Ordinary book-keepers can be got for from \$900.00 to \$1,000.00 per year. I don't think we ought to put this salary at over \$1,000.00, and I think that item ought to be made \$1,000.00 instead of \$1,600.00.

Seconded.

Comrade Benecke, Post 268: I offer an amendment to the amendment by striking out the \$1,000.00 and inserting \$1,200.00, or \$100.00 a month.

Seconded.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I would offer as a substitute that the amount be fixed at \$1,500.00.

Comrade Fuller, Post 67: I believe we ought to make a reduction in the salary of Assistant Adjutant General to at least \$1,200.00; I think \$1,500.00, under the present condition of matters, is more than we can afford to pay.

Comrade Williams, Post 276: I don't like to see the salaries reduced; I think the laborer is worthy of his hire; yet on account of the reduction in the number of Posts, and the number of members in the different Posts, it is necessary to reduce the fees.

Comrade Alderman, Post 21: There is nothing which is better than facts if we can get them before us. I call to mind that in the report of the Committee on the Address of our Department Commander, they made the recommendation, I think, of \$1,200.00. I, wishing to see whether or not they did have some facts on which to base their figures, and to see whether that was high enough, tried to settle the matter satisfactorily in my own mind. I took it for granted that they undertook to consider the good of the order. I have the report right here, on page 19, of receipts and expenditures for 1896. I see that the receipts of that year, omitting the cash on hand, were \$3,505.23, and the total amount of expenditures were \$3,935.59, or a deficit of \$430.36 on that year. Now the substitute offered by Past Department Commander Cole, \$1,500, just a little bit more than scales that deficit.

The Department Commander: I think in addition to that that there are bills unpaid amounting to about \$800.00.

Comrade Alderman, Post 21: Then that only makes the reason that much stronger that we should reduce our expenses. Just as sure as we raise the per capita tax, just so sure will we lose membership, and we would thereby cripple the Department Commander elect, and God knows he is crippled enough already. Let us hold the expenses within reason, and I say that \$1,200.00 is within reason. We cannot afford to pay more

than \$1,200.00, and I move that the substitute of Comrade Cole be laid on the table.

Comrade Evans in the Chair.

Department Commander Rodgers: We have this deficiency to meet but I don't think it is right to take the whole amount out of the salary of the working beam of the Department. I think the Department ought to assume part of that. Hundreds of Comrades know that the members who have been suspended, three out of every four, or nine out of every ten, are not the poorest Comrades in this Department, but they are men who are well able to pay. Is not that your experience? It has been called to my attention a great many times; it is the general experience throughout the Department, as reported to me time and time again. If the time of an ordinary book keeper is worth \$1,000.00 a year, the compensation of the Assistant Adjutant General is worth \$2,000.00 a year, for the book-keeping part of his duties is the smallest part of the labor, and requires much less ability to perform. There never was a year while I was Assistant Adjutant General that I did not have to work every Sunday half of the day at least and on every holiday during the year, and much of the time at night at home, until ten or eleven o'clock. I believe in a reasonable reduction. Comrade Pachall asked for it, you will notice, in his report, but I think that \$1,500.00 is as low as you should go. You want a man who is capable of attending to the details of the office properly. The number of Posts in this Department is about 400; there has not been much reduction in the number of Posts; there has been a reduction in the number of members in the Posts, but the work has to be done whether there are ten members in a Post or 200 members in a Post, so you see that the work is there yet. And I certainly think, with the experience that I have had in the office of the Assistant Adjutant General, that I ought to know something about the labor to be performed in that office, and what it is worth, and with the good of the Grand Army in view, I am free to say that I think that \$1,500.00 is low enough to reduce the salary to.

Comrade Benecke, Post 268: Having reflected upon the matter before, and after listening to the remarks of the different

Comrades, and with the knowledge I have myself on this subject, I now ask the second of my second to withdraw my motion to fix the Assistant Adjutant General's salary at \$1,200.00.

Comrade Henry, Post 8: I arise to a point of order. When a motion is once made and seconded it becomes the property of the Encampment, therefore that motion made by Comrade Benecke cannot be withdrawn without the unanimous consent of the Department.

The Chairman: It can be withdrawn by the consent of the second.

Comrade Aldeman does not consent.

Comrade Leeper, Post 146: I am in favor of reducing the Assistant Adjutant General's salary to \$1,200.00 a year, and making that of the Inspector \$100.00 a year.

Comrade Henry, Post 8: I will accept the amendment to my motion making the salary of the Assistant Adjutant General \$1,200.00, so the \$1,000 motion is not before the Encampment now.

The substitute offered by Comrade Cole, of Post 1, fixing the Assistant Adjutant General's salary at \$1,500.00, was put to vote and lost.

The Chairman: The question now recurs on the original motion fixing the salary of the Assistant Adjutant General at \$1,200.00.

Put to a vote, and carried.

Comrade Leeper, Post 146: I would move now, if it be in order, that we make the salary for the Inspector's office \$100.00 a year, instead of \$50.00, as recommended by the Council of Administration.

Seconded.

The Department Commander in the Chair.

The Department Commander: Many of the Departments pay no salary to the Inspector.

Comrade Martin, Post 57: When we paid no salary we had just as good an inspection as we have now. I believe we will have just as good inspection without salary as with. We will have just as good inspection at \$50.00 as we will at \$200.00.

Comrade Mosman, Post 7: It was the understanding with the Council of Administration that the Department pay \$50.00

a year, and in addition to that the necessary expenses of the Inspector.

Comrade Leeper, Post 146: If it is the understanding that the Department is to pay the expenses and then pay the Inspector \$50 a year as a salary, I will withdraw my motion. I understood from the Department Commander that they did it for nothing and the Department paid the expenses. I don't allow any man to be more liberal than I am because I don't have any of that work to do.

Comrade Warner, Post 8: Whatever the expenses are, they, of course, would be approved by the Council of Administration. I am convinced that there are any number of comrades in this Department who would discharge the duties of that office well and faithfully, that would not want any \$50 a year, because if you make it a salaried position, that is no compensation, and I don't think it is a compliment to a man on the staff of the Commander to say that he shall have \$50 a year for his services. Why not pay your Chaplain, and why not pay your Medical Director. If it is common consent that the Inspector receive no compensation as a salary, I move that the salary be stricken out.

Seconded.

The Department Commander: The question is upon the substitute offered by Comrade Warner, that in place of reducing the salary of the Inspector to \$50 a year, that the whole salary be taken away and the Department pay the actual expenses.

Put to vote, and carried.

It was moved that that part of the recommendations, by the Council of Administration, increasing the per capita tax from 20 cents to 30 cents be not concurred in.

Seconded.

Comrade Leeper, Post 146: I am afraid that if we increase the per capita tax from 20 cents to 30 cents, that we will reduce our revenue more than we will get in by members that will go out, and Posts that will throw up their Charter; but, of course, the only way we can tell about that, is by giving it a fair trial.

Comrade Mosman, Post 7: In looking over the ground we found that the Department had run behind to the amount of \$3,600 within the last two years, and that on the 1st day of January of this year there was about \$700 of additional debt then due; the Commander informed me that I was wrong about that, that the total amount was only \$2,600. In looking over the field the Council of Administration deemed it wise to increase its per capita by 10 cents, which is less than a mill a day. I don't think that there are any of the comrades in the Grand Army of the Republic that are not willing to pay that for one year at least; the action recommended by the Council of Administration is for one year. We do not believe, comrades, that it will have the effect in that year of decreasing the number of Posts in this Department as has been stated by the comrade; the experience of previous years show that it has not had that result, and we believe that this Department ought to stand in a situation where its officers will not have to hide their faces in shame because they cannot pay their bills. We want to have our accounts all straight, and pay at maturity; for the reason that this would enable the officers to do this, we recommended the increase in the per capita tax. Now, if at the expiration of this year, we find that it produces too great a revenue, we can readily go back, but at this time it is necessary to put this institution on a paying basis.

Comrade Alderman, Post 21: I am opposed at this time to any increase in the per capita tax; I think we can run clear this year without it.

Comrade Rassieur, Post 1: I have been in doubts as to the proper course to pursue, but one fact has crowded itself upon my mind so strongly that I think it ought to be taken in consideration, and that is that we are living in a state of depression in as far as business is concerned; all interests are suffering, and the least little additional load will do harm that it would not have done in ordinary times. Now, let us see what the condition of things would be if we do what Comrade Alderman suggests. As I understand it, we are to-day, \$700 behind; we shall save just \$1,000 by the proposed reduction in the expenses—\$200 on the Inspector's salary and \$800 on the Assistant Adjutant General's salary. We have been running behind

\$1,300 per year, and in this same proportion we will simply be \$300 worse off at the end of this year than we are now. I am sure we can carry the \$1,300, and I think we can find a few comrades that will lend money to the Department without interest. Let us try this in order to hold those who are now in our ranks, and I am quite sure that at the end of the year instead of being \$300 behind we will be \$300 ahead.

Comrade Warner, Post 3: Our committee simply recommended that there shall be an increase of the per capita tax. This is rather an important question to the Encampment, and I think even if we lose the opportunity to go home on this next train, we are here now as a deliberative body without any excitement about it, and I trust that any comrade having any preference as to the action to be taken will give us the benefit of his views. I have no feeling on the subject as to whether the per capita tax is increased or not, whether that report is voted up or voted down, and the only thing which would actuate me in my vote when I come to vote on this question is the sentiment as I shall gather it from my comrades throughout the State. They come here as the accredited representatives of our comrades. They come in here with their experiences. We are here to act upon those sentiments; and I think, Department Commander, we should get a more general expression of these comrades. Personally, it seems to me that 10 cents a year increase ought not to keep a comrade out of the Grand Army of the Republic, but I am confronted with the fact, the statement as made here, as to the difficulty of the loyal comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic throughout the rural districts to keep up the organization, it being so much more difficult than it is in the city. We are getting at that age, and let us not shut our eyes to it, I know I am not very old, but I am getting too old to ride five or ten miles at night to attend a meeting. I think we should try to pull through this year without increasing the per capita tax; and if there should be a deficiency at the end of the year there will be enough of us that will be able to put our hands in our pocket and chip in \$25 each to make up the amount.

The Department Commander: The question is upon the motion that the Encampment do not concur in the recommen-

dation of the Council of Administration to increase the per capita tax.

Put to vote, and carried.

Comrade Warner, Post 3: I would like to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That, authority be given to a Post to receive the two classes of members, resident and non-resident, in accordance with the action of the National Encampment, under such regulations as may be prescribed in accordance therewith by the Department Commander.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

It was moved that the report of the Council of Administration with its recommendations, except those acted on, be adopted.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Report on the election of delegates to the National Encampment:

Total number of votes cast	374
Number of ballots thrown out as irregular.....	23
Number of ballots counted.....	351

The following named comrades receiving the highest number of ballots were declared the delegates:

DELEGATES.

J. S. Rogers, Post 17	219
C. A. Day, Post 4	205
G. A. Douglas, Post 78	216
J. W. Eldridge, Post 69	202
Geo. O. Howenstein, Post 16	199
Geo. Hall, Post 72	190
W. H. Mengle, Post 276	183
Henry Lange, Post 13	179
Adam Theis, Post 43	177
R. M. Davis, Post 57	170
Ira T. Bronson, Post 53	168
A. O. Engelman, Post 1	167
H. E. Robinson, Post 21	167
C. P. Woodruff, Post 69	165

The following named comrades receiving the next highest vote were declared the alternates:

ALTERNATES.

F. D. W. Arnold, Post 34	163
H. J. Pringle, Post 29	161

J. F. Birdseye, Post 26	160
H. F. Devol, Post 8.....	159
Adam Wenzel, Post 2	154
Wm. Niehaus, Post 107.....	141
H. Debell, Post 459	134
Jackson Walker, Post 124.....	127
Geo. A. Newcomb, Post 131.....	122
J. L. Smith, Post 53	112
Thos. H. Mackland, Post 1	107
G. W. Travis, Post 173	101
W. D. Munson, Post 130	101
James T. Griffin, Post 96	84

Report of the Committee on Department Inspector's report.

WARRENSBURG, Mo., May 14th, 1897.

Thos. B. Rodgers, Department Commander and Comrades :

The committee on Department Inspector's report would respectfully submit the following: A close observance of this report is found very interesting to all concerned, and shows more than an average interest displayed in the work. It is clear and concise, and meets with every requirement of an important office. Of 398 Posts reported in good standing on the Adjutant General's books, 126 Posts have found it convenient to lose touch with us in some important matters, and are delinquent on the Inspector's rolls; and the committee heartily concurs with the Inspector's recommendation, that Posts who do not comply with orders promulgated from headquarters and neglect to forward all reports due, should not be entitled to the countersign until they meet with the requirements of our Order and obligations. The report speaks for itself, and the thanks of this Department are due Comrade Platt for his persistent and tireless efforts in the duties so faithfully performed.

J. W. SCOTT,
C. N. BURNHAM,

Committee.

It was moved that the report be received and adopted.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Report of the Treasurer of the Woman's Relief Corps Home Association:

Thos. B. Rodgers, Department Commander :

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE:—I have the honor to transmit herewith my report (consolidated), as Treasurer of the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home, at St. James, Mo., for the period commencing August 21st, 1896, to date.

Total receipts.....	\$7,330 67
Total disbursements.....	4,833 18
Balance in hands of Treasurer	\$2,497 49

CHAS. F. VOGEL, Treasurer.

It was moved that the report be received and filed with the Assistant Adjutant General.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Comrade Evans, Post 7, moved a vote of thanks to the officer of the day, to the officers of the guard and to the guard, for attending so faithfully to their duties during the Encampment.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Installation of officers by Past Department Commander Cole, of Post 1.

The Department Commander announced Jno. B. Pachall, of Post 1, as Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, and he was duly installed.

Prayer by Department Chaplain, Thomas H. Hagerty.

The Department Commander then declared the Encampment adjourned *sine die*.

A true record of the proceedings.

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

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The Encampment adjourned at 3:30 Thursday afternoon, and resolved itself into a "committee of the whole" to receive the Commander-in-Chief, Thadeus S. Clarkson. The delegates and visiting comrades, to the number of over a thousand, proceeded to the station where they received, in a fitting manner, the Commander-in-Chief, escorting him to the Normal Campus, where the column was formed for parade. The column moved on Tyler Avenue at 4 o'clock P. M., and followed the line of march previously selected by the Grand Marshal. The Sons of Veterans were accorded the post of honor and led the parade. The Normal and Public School students were dismissed to witness the parade, and together with thousands of people thronged the streets.

The first day of the Encampment closed with a campfire at the Auditorium. Col. Grover Post Quartette gave a song of welcome, followed by prayer by Department Chaplain Hagerty. After a song, "We meet again, boys," the Department Commander introduced Comrade Chas. E. Clark, Mayor of the City of Warrensburg, who, in well timed remarks, extended a hearty welcome to the Grand Army, Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans; and formally tendered them the freedom of the city.

Hon. Webster Davis delivered the address of the evening. Mr. Davis was in good form and electrified the audience with his eloquence.

The Daughter of the Department, Miss M. Eldridge, sang a familiar song, that thrilled the old veterans, and they joined in a mighty chorus at the conclusion of each stanza. Mrs. J. W. Wilson delivered a recitation, and young ladies dressed in red, white and blue, performed the evolutions in a Greek drill. A tableau and camp scene followed.

Comrade William Lowe's reception at the Minnewawa was a brilliant affair. The hotel was thronged with comrades from the Encampment and friends from the city, and the reception rooms were laden with the perfume of roses. The banquet was

the finest ever spread at the Springs and reflected credit upon the management of Minnewawa. The banquet hall was not deserted until 2 o'clock in the morning. The guests were entertained by music by the Kansas City Quartette and the Mandolin Club. Major William Warner made a brief speech to the guests, complimenting the host and the elegant preparations made for the enjoyment of the guests. Miss Mae Stern of Kansas City gave several recitations which were heartily applauded. The dining halls and corridors swarmed with youth, beauty and battle scarred veterans, all of whom paid their respects to William Lowe and his excellent wife.

The following evening a large crowd gathered at the Auditorium. As on the previous night, the building would not hold the vast throng, and hundreds failed to gain admission.

The program opened with a selection by Col. Grover Post Quartette, "Grand Army Badge."

Rev. W. V. Hamel invoked divine blessings. The old familiar war song, "Marching Through Georgia," was sang with a will.

Comrade Ginger's selection was received with applause, and Chaplain Hagerty told about the "Chaplain in the War."

A well received solo was sung by W. H. Hunt.

Comrade Ginger again favored the audience with one of his dialect selections, which was loudly applauded.

Miss Mellie Eldridge of Springfield, recited the "Unknown Soldier." She is an elocutionist of ability, and highly pleased the audience.

Mrs. William Scott, the negro lecturer and missionary, delivered an address. It was in the nature of a plea for the negro, and a recital of what the ex-Federal soldiers had done for them. She said they were measured by the wrong standard, and claimed they had made wonderful progress in the few years they had been out of bondage. At the conclusion she sang "Let the Old Flag Wave."

After a song by Col. Grover Glee Club, the audience arose and dispersed, singing "Auld Lang Syne."

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., May 25, 1896 }

GENERAL ORDERS }

No. 1. }

I. In assuming the responsible duties of the office of Department Commander, to which I had the honor to be elected by the Fifteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, which met at Hannibal, Mo., on May 20th and 21st, I desire to thank my comrades for this kind expression of their confidence and trust.

With a confident reliance upon their hearty co-operation and cordial support, I shall do my utmost to maintain the high character and standing of our Department.

II. The following named comrades were duly elected to the offices designated, for the ensuing year:

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

Department Commander, Thomas B. Rodgers, Post 1, St. Louis.
 Senior Vice Department Commander, Thomas W. Evans, Post 7, St. Joseph.

Junior Vice Department Commander, B. Knoepfel, Post 43, Hannibal.

Medical Director, J. F. Nichols, M. D., Post 392, South West City.
 Chaplain, Rev. Thos. H. Hagerty, Post 131, St. Louis.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

N. W. Taylor, Post 131, St. Louis; Louis C. Hesse, Post 13, St. Louis; Joseph A. Wherry, Post 444, St. Louis; C. A. Mosman, Post 7, St. Joseph; A. O. Engleman, Post 1, St. Louis.

III. The following named comrades were elected as Representatives and Alternates to the Thirtieth National Encampment:

REPRESENTATIVES.

A. J. Smith (at large), St. Louis.
 Adam Theis, Hannibal.
 A. W. St. John, Carthage.
 Jere T. Dew, Kansas City.
 Wm. Coy, St. Joseph.
 W. S. Betts, Moberly.
 C. N. Burnham, Camoron.
 V. J. Mathews, St. Louis.
 H. E. Robinson, Maryville.
 A. H. Cashion, Perryville.

ALTERNATES.

A. E. Cook (at large), St. Louis.
 Wm. Niehaus, St. Louis.
 Peter Bobe, St. Louis.
 Jno. W. Tappas, Chillicothe.
 James H. Reading, Osceola.
 Louis Fischer, Salem.
 G. W. Edwards, St. Louis.
 J. T. Birdseye, Nevada.
 Geo. J. Baer, Kansas City.
 Horace Porter, Foster.

REPRESENTATIVES.

R. R. Scott, St. Louis.
 T. H. Hagerty, St. Louis.
 J. W. Eldridge, Springfield.
 Louis Burkhardt, Milford.
 Henry F. Glahn, Clarence.
 C. W. Corkran, Novelty.
 Jno. C. Bensiek, St. Louis.

ALTERNATES.

Geo. Hall, Trenton.
 W. A. Heineman, St. Louis.
 Wm. Roney, Kidder.
 M. G. Netherton, Bancroft.
 Chas. Burge, Macon.
 I. B. Morgan, Cuba.
 L. T. Robinson, Unionville.

IV. The following appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General,
 John B. Pachall, Post 1, St. Louis.
 Inspector, John P. Platt, Post 33, Kingston.
 Judge Advocate, Alvin Haynie, Post 326, Clinton.
 Chief Mustering Officer, Thos. B. Tuttle, Post 16, Carthage.
 They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

V. All official communications should be addressed to John B. Pachall, Assistant Adjutant General, Room 49, Laclede Building, Fourth and Olive Streets, St. Louis, Mo.

VI. Post Commanders are requested to recommend a comrade for appointment as Aide-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander.

THOS. B. RODGERS,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., June 1, 1896. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 2. }

I. Blanks, "consolidated forms 'A' and 'B,'" for Adjutants' and Quartermasters' Reports for first term, 1896, being the six months, ending June 30th, are enclosed with this Order. It is of the greatest importance that these reports be made and forwarded promptly.

Post Commanders should use every effort to comply with the rules and regulations regarding these reports, and enforce a compliance therewith upon the Adjutant and Quartermaster.

These reports should be made out immediately after the last meeting in the month, and forwarded at once to the Assistant Adjutant General, thereby enabling him to consolidate them and forward to National Headquarters not later than July 20th. All remittances should be made by draft upon St. Louis, money order, express order or registered letter. All personal checks upon local banks are subject to a discount of fifteen cents.

II. It will be observed that the Adjutant and Quartermaster are now required to make reports upon the same sheet. It is expected that this will facilitate the work of Post officers, and secure more promptness in preparing and forwarding semi-annual reports.

The figures in *red* are the corrected numbers in good standing last report, and should be taken as the basis of reports for this term. The reports for term ending December 31, 1895, show that 5,780 comrades are carried on the rolls as "suspended." The Department Commander earnestly requests the Posts to either re-instate these comrades, or "drop" them from the rolls, notifying them of such action and requesting them to take steps to be re-instated.

III. Post Commanders are requested to forward to this office the name of a suitable comrade to be appointed as Aide-de-Camp upon the Staff of the Department Commander. The names of those only are wanted who will manifest the same spirit of enthusiasm in behalf of our Order, that they did in 1861, in the defence of "old glory." Those notifying the Assistant Adjutant General of their acceptance will receive their commissions.

IV. The Osage and Gasconade Battalions have notified this office of their re-union, at Dixon, Mo., August 19 to 22. All are invited.

V. A large number of letters are being received at this office, asking for tickets of admission to the National Republican Convention. The Department Commander desires to state for the information of all concerned, that it is reported that the National Republican Committee decided to give to the G. A. R., 500 tickets, said tickets to be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee of the National Council of Administration. The Department Commander has no tickets of admission, hence cannot furnish them to comrades as they request.

By order of THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander :

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., July 18, 1896. }

GENERAL ORDERS)
 No. 3.)

I. The following appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

Jacob M. Gruen, Post 2, Senior Aide-de-Camp.

Stephen Dellacella, Post 1, Aide de-Camp and Department Color Bearer.

R. R. Miller, Post 33, Aide-de-Camp and Department Bugler.

II. The following named comrades, on the recommendations of the Post Commanders, are hereby appointed Aides-de-Camp on the Department Staff, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Charles F. Vogel, Post 1.	Cyrus P. Gregg, Post 107.
Charles A. Durant, Post 1.	Geo. E. Smith, Post 128.
Henry Frein, Post 2.	Calvin B. Hinckley, Post 134.
H. A. Jaco, Post 5.	Thos. F. Ackerman, Post 152.
W. C. Starks, Post 12.	Robert Jack, Post 161.
Stephan Schwartz, Post 13.	A. Hubbs, Post 177.
Herman Stamm, Post 13.	W. H. Morse, Post 197.
Jacob Shirey, Post 19.	D. B. Woods, Post 210.
Jno. G. Grems, Post 21.	P. H. Sullivan, Post 235.
Joseph Hanover, Post 31.	James T. Armstrong, Post 252.
J. L. Smith, Post 53.	S. F. Bell, Post 269.
William O. Adams, Post 64.	Geo. Beckerman, 326.
Albert Demuth, Post 69.	Robert Reichard, Post 332.
Ransom V. Young, Post 72.	Jno. W. Jenkins, Post 366.
Wm. Roney, Post 76.	S. A. Hartley, Post 374.
A. W. Rogers, Post 78.	James Fidler, Post 386.
W. W. Anderson, Post 81.	Jno. H. Mayer, Post 426.
Allison J. Day, Post 82.	Ephraim Magoon, Post 444.
James T. Griffin, Post 96.	James A. Elliot, Post 514.

Aides-de-Camp are appointed with a view to their zeal and energy in behalf of our organization, rather than as ornaments. They will report at the end of each term the number of Posts visited, their condition, and make such recommendation as in their judgment will advance the interest of the respective Posts and the Grand Army of the Republic. Commissions will be issued to all who signify, to the Assistant Adjutant General, their acceptance.

III. The attention of comrades is called to the short time that will elapse before the meeting of the Thirtieth National Encampment, at St. Paul, on Thursday, September 3d. The parade will take place on Wednesday, the 2d.

The Department Commander hopes that the prestige the Department has heretofore gained, may be fully maintained at St. Paul, and to this end desires to see as many comrades as possible in line on that occasion. Post Commanders should report at once to the Assistant Adjutant General the number of those desiring free quarters. Mattresses will be furnished, but comrades must provide their own blankets.

Comrades desiring to engage accommodations at St. Paul during the Encampment, should address C. W. Horr, Chairman Accommodations Committee. No list of hotels and boarding houses will be published by the committee, but the rates will be from \$1 to \$6 per day.

IV. A large number of Posts have not yet reported for term ending June 30th, 1896. Blanks for this purpose were mailed to the Commander of every Post prior to their first meeting in June. It is now

time for the consolidated reports to be sent to National Headquarters, and it is hoped that no Post Commander will permit his Post to be reported delinquent by longer withholding his report.

V. The attention of Post Surgeons is called to the very incomplete reports from a majority of Posts. The value of the Medical Director's Report lies chiefly in his being able to furnish the cause of death. It is expected by the Medical Director of this Department that Post Surgeons (and in his absence or inability the Adjutant), will give this feature special attention.

VI. General Order No. 11, current series, National Headquarters, are herewith enclosed, and to which the attention of all Posts is invited.

VII. For the information of the comrades, the Department Commander invites attention to the following announcement of reunions:

Ninth Annual Reunion of the Veterans and Sons of Veterans will be held at Cassville, Mo., August 18 to 21.

Eighth Annual Reunion of the Osage and Gasconade Battalion, at Dixon, Mo., August 19 to 22.

Third Congressional District and Caldwell County Battalion, at Kingstown, Mo., August 18 to 22.

Grand Reunion at Kirbyville, Taney County, August 18 to 23.

Annual Encampment of Johnson County Veteran Association at Pertle Springs, August 25 to 27.

Cass County reunion at Austin, August 25 to 28.

VIII. Information wanted:

The address of Lieut. J. Q. Reed, or of Capt. Moore, Co. "A," 7th Ind. Cavalry, by Alice U. Bates, Nix P. O., Lampasas County, Texas.

The present whereabouts of Comrade W. H. Atkinson, Post 131, late Lieut. Co. "C," 72d Ind. Infantry. Was last seen in East St. Louis the day of the cyclone. Address A. G. Peterson, 406 North Broadway, St. Louis, Mo.

The address of any of the former members of Co. "D," 2d Mo. Cavalry, by Mrs. Minnie Fink, 1323 Mullanphy Street, St. Louis, Mo.

IX. The Department Commander in sorrow announces the death of Comrade Samuel Neeper, who was a charter member of McKee Post No. 110, Past Post Surgeon, Past Post Commander, and Medical Director of this Department the past year. Comrade Neeper entered the service in 1861, as Captain Co. G, 64th O. V. I.; was severely wounded at Missionary Ridge, totally disabling him from further duty.

By command of THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
 ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
 St. Louis, Mo., August 21, 1896 }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 4. }

I. The Thirtieth National Encampment will meet in St. Paul on Thursday, September 3, 1896. The parade will take place Wednesday, September 2.

II. The Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant General will have rooms at the Metropolitan Hotel, corner Washington and Fourth Streets. The business headquarters will be at the Cretin High School, corner Sixth and Fourth Streets, where all the comrades of this Department are requested to call and register on their arrival. Comrade W. F. Henry, Aide-de-Camp, will have charge of register.

III. On the day of the parade the Department Officers, Aides-de-Camp and representatives to the Encampment will report to the above headquarters, in uniform, at 10 o'clock a. m. The Department of Missouri having been assigned to the Fifth Division, its Posts and comrades will report and form for parade at 11:15 a. m. on the east side of Shelby Street, right resting on Farmington Avenue. Posts will be formed in column of platoons, eight files front, closed to half distance. All who take part in the parade must be in uniform. The parade starts from Dayton Street, thence west on Western Avenue to the Summit, thence south to Sixth, thence down Sixth to Broadway, where the parade will be dismissed. The line of March is about two miles long and nearly all down grade, on well shaded asphalt streets. Posts attending the Encampment in a body will report on their arrival their numbers and location to the Assistant Adjutant General. All unattached comrades will be formed in a separate battalion.

IV. Frank P. Blair Post No. 1 having tendered its services as escort to the Department Commander, to the National Encampment at St. Paul, the same is hereby accepted. The Department Commander, Staff and escort will leave St. Louis, Sunday, August 30th, at about 9 a. m., by special through train, via Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis Line, which is hereby declared the official route. Comrades desiring to go by this route will please communicate with the Assistant Adjutant General without delay.

V. Railroad rates from St. Louis to St. Paul and return has been established at \$12.75; from Kansas City, \$12; from St. Joe, \$10; from Hannibal, \$10.25; from Chillicothe, \$10.75; from Carrollton, \$11; from Macon, \$10. From other points in the State about one cent per mile. Tickets will be on sale August 31st, September 2d, and good returning up to and including September 15th, but will be extended until September 30th by depositing them with "Joint Agent" in St. Paul before September 15th.

VI. The attention of the Department Commander having been called to the action of one of our Posts which has advertised by public handbill to devote three days of its annual reunion to political discussion, he deems it his duty to publish, for the information of all comrades, Art. 11, Chap. 5, of the Rules and Regulations: "No officer or comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic shall in any manner use this organization for partisan purposes, and no discussion of partisan questions shall be permitted at *any of its meetings*, nor shall any nominations for political office be made." The introduction of partisan discussions at any of our meetings could only act injuriously even if it were not in direct conflict with both the letter and spirit of our rules and regulations. In these times of political excitement and feeling, comrades and Posts cannot be too careful in avoiding all political complications. While each comrade has a right to his political convictions and party affiliations, his political duties should be exercised as a citizen and not as a comrade. Comrades are reminded that the uniform should not be worn nor the badge of the order displayed at political gatherings.

VII. The following additional appointments as Aides-de-Camp are hereby announced, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

James Bond, Post 43, Hannibal.
 Francis Baltzer, Post 158, Bethel.
 Farewell Walton, Post 131, St. Louis.
 Henry Pay, Post 440, Foster.
 John Schnelle, Post 59, Pollack.
 Albert G. Stark, Post 3, Kansas City.
 A. H. Lamb, Post 58, Butler.
 Louis H. Breker, Post 554, St. Charles.
 A. Y. McCray, Post 525, Cowgill.
 A. C. Post, Post 16, Carthage.
 Anthony Langenbach, Post 36, Clarence.
 W. F. Henry, Post 3, Kansas City.
 Harry Mitchell, Post 26, Nevada.
 A. A. Prall, Post 496, St. Louis.

In General Orders No. 3, W. O. Adams was accredited to Post 64. It should have read Post 120, Maple Grove.

VIII. Sac River Post No. 362 has changed its location, with the approval of the Department Commander, from Seybert, Dade County, to Dadeville, same County. The names of the following Posts have been changed, with the approval of the Department Commander: Post 444, from Elwood Miller to that of Madison Miller, and Post 553 from E. L. Van Zandt to that of Thomas Welch.

By command of THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
 ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., October 13, 1896. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 5. }

I. The Department Commander embraces this opportunity to thank the comrades of this Department who attended the National Encampment at St. Paul last month, and more particularly the Post organizations, which contributed so much to maintain the reputation of the Department for its soldierly bearing and deportment, which on this occasion was noted and commended by all, as evidenced by the frequent bursts of applause along the line of march. The Department was represented at the meeting of the Encampment by its full number of representatives and alternates.

II. F. M. Sterrett, of Post 1, was re-elected member of the National Council of Administration, and re-appointed member of the Executive Committee.

Buffalo, N. Y. was chosen for the meeting of the next National Encampment. Its many attractions, its proximity to the three largest Departments, and the further fact that over 50,000 who served in New York regiments are now located in the west, and will likely take advantage of the low rates of fare to visit the "old homestead," will practically assure a very large attendance at this Encampment.

III. General Orders No. 13, series 1895 and 1896, and Nos. 1 and 2 current series, are herewith enclosed, and attention is invited thereto.

IV. The Department Commander is pleased to note that the directors of the Women's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home Association have announced their intention of dedicating "The Home" at St. James, Mo., on Sunday, October 25th, and he requests all Posts and comrades who can conveniently do so to attend these ceremonies. The St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad has made reduced rates for this occasion.

V. A number of Posts are in arrears with their reports and per capita tax. They have been repeatedly notified of this fact, both by General Order and postal card. It is hoped that Post Commanders will act at once, and not permit their Posts to be suspended through their inattention to duty and a disregard of their obligations.

VI. The following additional appointments as Aides-de-Camp are hereby announced, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

S. Harvey Buck, Post 7. John B. Burris, Post 11.

J. H. Clark, Post 343.

VII. Information wanted:

By this office of the whereabouts of one Col. Moore, who was supposed to have been injured by the St. Louis cyclone.

By Victor A. Bader, Lynn, Mass., the address of any member of Company "A," 14th U. S. Infantry, between August, 1861 and 1864.

By this office, of anyone who knew H. W. Werth, Lieutenant and Adjutant 5th Mo. S. M., formerly the 13th.

VIII. One David P. Bell is soliciting aid from our comrades, claiming to be a member of Post 10, Memphis, Tenn. There is no such Post in Memphis; he is undoubtedly a fraud. Last heard from at Verona, Mo.

By command of THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander:
JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., November 25, 1896. }

GENERAL ORDERS)
No. 6.)

I. In compliance with Rules and Regulations, the annual inspection of Posts will be made prior to December 31st. A blank of Form H, for such inspection, is herewith enclosed, together with addressed envelope for Department Inspector. The Post will be inspected by the Senior Past Post Commander present of each Post. Should no Past Post Commander be present at the meeting when inspection is to take place, the Post Commander will detail a suitable comrade to make the inspection. Reports of Assistant Inspectors should be forwarded to Jno. P. Platt, Department Inspector, Kingston, Mo., immediately upon completion of their duty.

II. The annual election of officers of each Post, will be held at the first regular meeting in December. At the same meeting Representatives to the Department Encampment will be elected. Each Post is entitled to one Representative, and one Alternate for every fifty members in good standing, and one additional Representative and Alternate for a final fraction of more than one half that number. Posts having less than fifty members are entitled to one Representative and one Alternate.

The basis of representation is the number of members in good standing, as shown by the Adjutant's report for the term ending June 30th, 1896. Posts in arrears for dues or reports are not entitled to representation in the Department Encampment.

Blanks for reports of Representatives and Alternates elect, with names of all Past Post Commanders in good standing, are enclosed herewith.

A blank for report of Post Officers elect will be sent with next General Order.

III. With this order will be found blank, consolidated forms A and B, in duplicate for Adjutant and Quartermaster's reports for the second term, 1896. These reports should be made out, and with the per capita tax, forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General immediately after the last meeting in December.

The per capita tax remains as heretofore, 10 cents for each member in good standing, as shown by the Adjutant's report.

The figures in *red ink* indicate the number in good standing, as per last report. Under no circumstances should these figures be changed.

Add to them your gains, deducting losses from the aggregate under the proper heads, and the remainder will be the number for whom per capita tax should be paid.

It is absolutely necessary that the names of all comrades, gained or lost, be given under the proper headings.

Remittances should not be made by personal checks, for the banks charge a discount of 15 cents on each check.

IV. The installation of Post Officers will take place at the first regular meeting in January, 1897, and will be conducted by the Senior Past Post Commander present, or such other comrade as may be detailed by the Department Commander upon request of the Post Commander.

Under the Rules and Regulations no installation of Post Officers can be had until the Post has forwarded all reports, paid its per capita tax and been inspected for the previous year.

The installing officer will make inquiry, and if he ascertains that all reports and per capita tax have not been forwarded, and the Post inspected, he will defer installations until he has made the inspection and received the reports.

V. Posts are urged to have public installations, and where there is a Woman's Relief Corps or a Camp of the Sons of Veterans connected with the Post, to invite them to join in the installation. Invite the public, and especially the families of old soldiers, and it will have a tendency to create an interest and be of much benefit to the Post. At public installations the Post will open and close informally.

VI. The interest manifested by the Comrades during the past few months is very gratifying to all Comrades. Many Reunions and Camp Fires have been held, which were well attended. Everywhere the feeling of Comradeship is growing. The future brightening. Now is the time for active recruiting. New officers to be elected and installed, the holidays at hand when everyone feels a little more like meeting his old comrades and friends. If a proper effort is made this month, many suspended and dropped members can be reinstated and new recruits obtained.

VII. The following additional appointments of Aides-de-Camp are hereby announced, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Zephaniah M. Atterbury, Post 25, Glenwood.
Christ. Morschel, St. Louis.

VIII. Wanted: The address of any of the surviving members of Co. E, 29th Mo. Vol. Inf., who knew or remember Sergt. Henry Schaefer; by H. C. Shouse, M. D., Plankton, S. D.

IX. General Orders No. 3, National Headquarters, is herewith enclosed.

By command of THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., January 18, 1897. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 7. }

I. The Department Council of Administration has selected Thursday and Friday, May 13 and 14, 1897, as the dates for the meeting of the Sixteenth Annual Encampment, at Pertle Springs, Mo. (Warrensburg). The Council of Administration will meet at Pertle Springs on Wednesday, the 12th.

For the information of the comrades, the Department Commander is pleased to state that the Missouri Division of the Sons of Veterans will for the first time hold their annual meeting at the same time and place. This, with the Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, will probably make the largest assemblage we have had at our Annual Encampment.

II. A large number of Posts have not yet reported for the second term, 1896, ending December 31. There is no reasonable excuse for this, as it is just as easy to make these reports the last meeting in December as at any subsequent time. The Rules and Regulations require the Assistant Adjutant General to forward the Consolidated Reports to National Headquarters within twenty days after January 1; this cannot well be done, if Posts persist in withholding their reports.

Post Commanders should forward these reports at once, in compliance with the obligation assumed on their induction to office.

III. Post Commanders should see that Consolidated Reports "A and B," Roster of Officers elected for 1897, and List of Representatives to Department Encampment are at once forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General; Inspectors' Reports to Department Inspector J. P. Platt, Kingston, Mo., and Surgeons' Reports to Medical Director J. F. Nichols, Southwest City, without further delay.

IV. The National Countersign has been sent to all Posts from which reports have been received, and should be given only to comrades in good standing; Posts not receiving it will understand that all their reports have not reached this office. Post Commanders should give this their immediate attention and thus place their Posts right in the report.

V. For the information of those interested in the consolidation of Posts, the Department Commander desires to call attention to Chapter II, Article 1, Section 5, Rules and Regulations; for information regarding Woman's Relief Corps, address Mrs. Lucinda A. Scott, Department President, Moberly, Mo.

VI. By and with the advice and consent of the Council of Administration, the following Posts are suspended for failure to make reports, viz.: Posts 117, 212, 225, 231, 248, 275, 277, 281, 318, 321, 323, 338, 351, 361, 364, 368, 394, 395, 404, 410, 419, 422, 445, 469, 476, 484, 527, 528, 535 and 538.

VII. The following Posts are delinquent two or more terms: Posts 80, 111, 130, 146, 154, 170, 176, 209, 224, 241, 242, 258, 280, 288, 298, 305, 331, 352, 353, 356, 373, 398, 411, 446, 450, 452, 454, 455, 467, 475, 477, 492, 493, 494, 495, 509, 511, 519, 521, 530, 539 and 546.

Commanders of above named Posts should communicate with this office at once, making report for each term delinquent.

VIII. The attention of all comrades is called to Paragraphs II, III and IV, General Orders No. 4, current series, from National Headquarters, which are herewith enclosed. A strict compliance in letter and spirit is enjoined, as being conducive to the best interests of Posts and to the Grand Army of the Republic as an organization. National and Department proceedings are forwarded herewith.

IX. Mrs. Lucinda A. Scott, Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps, sends greetings to all comrades of this Department, as follows:

MOBERLY, Mo., December 28, 1896.

"The Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Missouri, extend to you 'A Happy New Year'; God bless you is the earnest wish of your co-workers, in fraternity, charity and loyalty.

Sincerely,

LUCINDA A. SCOTT, Dept. Pres't."

The appeal being sent to the Posts of this Department from National Headquarters Woman's Relief Corps meets with the hearty approval of the Department Commander. No Post of this Department has ever surrendered its charter that had a Woman's Relief Corps connected with it.

X. The Department Commander desires to call the attention of the Posts and comrades to the fact that the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home, at St. James, Mo., has been opened and is now in operation. This worthy charity, which has been carried thus far towards successful completion by the earnest and self-sacrificing work of the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, aided by many of the Posts and comrades of the Department, must appeal strongly to the patriotic and charitable impulses of every Missouri comrade. As the limit to which the benefits of the Home may be extended will depend largely upon the liberality shown in its support, it is hoped that the several Posts, so far as they are able, will take active measures during the winter for its

financial support, either by direct contributions, or from the proceeds of entertainments which may be given, and in which the Posts and Corps may co-operate.

The following appointment as Alde-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander is hereby announced:

E. C. A. Hildebrandt, Post No. 7, St. Joseph.

By command of THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.,
ROOM 49, LALEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.,
ST. LOUIS, MO., April 20, 1897 }

GENERAL ORDERS)
No. 8.)

I. The Legislature of our State at its session of 1895, in deference to the patriotic sentiment now happily prevailing among all our people, having enacted a law making the 30th day of May, known as Memorial Day, a legal holiday; and the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic having prescribed that when such day occurs on Sunday, and the succeeding day is by legislative enactment made a legal holiday, that the succeeding day shall be observed; it is therefore directed that Monday, May 31st, shall be observed as Memorial Day by the Comrades and Posts of this Department.

II. In the performance of this sacred duty to the memory of our dead comrades, those who died that the nation might live, as well as those who from year to year have passed out of our ranks to join their brothers gone before, let us so act that this holiday, so different in its character from all others, this festival of our dead, shall be so marked on our part by due solemnity, that it will not be given over by others to idle and frivolous amusements. By its proper observance all the people become better citizens, and the youth of our country, its hope and strength in the future, become suitably impressed with its patriotic lessons. Let there be not a single grave of a defender of the Republic, however humble or obscure, that shall fail to receive its baptism of flowers.

“On Fame’s eternal camping ground
Their silent tents are spread,
While glory guards, with solemn round,
The bivouac of the dead.”

III. The Posts should invite the co-operation of all the people and especially the members of the Woman’s Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans, and other patriotic organizations and the children of the

Public Schools, in the exercises of the day. It is also recommended that Posts should arrange to attend divine service in church on Sunday, May 30th.

By command of THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., }
ROOM 49, LACLEDE BUILDING, FOURTH AND OLIVE STS., }
ST. LOUIS, MO., April 24, 1897. }

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 9. }

I. As heretofore announced, the Sixteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held at Pertle Springs (Warrensburg), Mo., on Thursday and Friday, May 13th and 14th, 1897. The Encampment will be called to order in the pavillion at 10:30 o'clock a. m. on Thursday, May 13th.

II. Department headquarters will be established at the Minnewawa Hotel, Pertle Springs, on May 12th, where the comrades are requested to call and register.

III. The Department Council of Administration will meet at the above named hotel on Wednesday, May 12th, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the transaction of such business as may come before it.

IV. The following named comrades are appointed a committee on credentials:

N. W. Taylor, Post 131.

J. W. Beach, Post 7.

A. W. Rodgers, Post 78.

D. P. Stubblefield, Post 33.

J. W. Jenkins, Post 8.

The committee will meet at the Minnewawa Hotel, on Wednesday, May 12th, at 4 o'clock p. m. Representatives and members of the Encampment will, on their arrival, report to this committee, present their credentials and receive their Encampment Badges.

V. On recommendation of the Commander of Post 78, the following named comrades of Col. Grover Post No. 78 are detailed for duty during the session of the Encampment:

For officer of the day, J. H. Smith.

For officer of the guard, Jno. Fireoved.

These officers will report to the Department Commander for duty at 2 o'clock p. m., May 12th.

The Commander of Post 78 will detail from the comrades of that Post a suitable number of sentinals, with proper reliefs, for duty at the Encampment.

VI. The following list of hotel accommodations and rates is published for the information of those who may attend the Encampment:

Minnewawa Hotel, Pertle Springs, capacity, 700, at \$2.00 per day.
St. Cloud Hotel, Warrensburg, capacity, 75, at 2.00 per day.
Commercial Hotel, Warrensburg, capacity, 75, at 2.00 per day.
Planters Hotel, Warrensburg, capacity, 50, at 1.50 per day.
Farmers Hotel, Warrensburg, capacity, 50, at 1.50 per day.

In addition to the above, numerous boarding houses and private houses will accommodate visitors at from 50 cents to \$1.00 per day.

Comrades desiring to engage accommodations in advance, should address Comrade W. L. Hedges, chairman of the general committee.

VII. The comrades at Warrensburg have made ample arrangements for entertaining us, and will make every effort to make it pleasant for all who may attend. There will be entertainments and camp fires every evening during the Encampment, commencing with Wednesday evening, to which all comrades are welcome.

VIII. The following railroads have made a rate of one fare for the round trip to Warrensburg and return:

Missouri Pacific; St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern; Wabash; Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe; Chicago, Burlington and Quincy; Missouri, Kansas and Texas; St. Louis, Fort Scott and Memphis; St. Louis and San Francisco; Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul.

All other lines have been requested to make the same rate, and it is expected that they will do so.

Post Commanders, upon receipt of this order, will notify comrades who are going to the Encampment of the rate made, and should at once see the station agents in their respective localities and ascertain if they have received the necessary instructions regarding sale of tickets at the reduced rate, and if they have not, request them to write their general passenger agents for instructions.

IX. A number of Posts are in arrears for reports and per capita tax, and they are reminded that they will not be entitled to representation in the Department Encampment, nor to the National Countersign, until reports are made. Many Posts have failed to send credentials of representatives elect. Postal cards have been sent to all such and it is hoped they will respond at once.

X. The Commander-in-Chief, Comrade T. S. Clarkson, will be with us during the Encampment, and will with the Department Commander review the parade.

XI. On January 29th last, since the issuance of the last General Orders, our distinguished Comrade General A. J. Smith, departed this life in his home, in the City of St. Louis. He was a member of Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, and until the last few years, when the infirmities of age prevented, was a frequent visitor at the Post room. He was for

many years elected each year as Alternate to General Sherman as a Delegate-at-large to the National Encampment, and since the death of the latter, has been each year elected as Delegate-at-large. It has been truly said of him, that during the war he never suffered defeat, and he enjoyed to a peculiar degree the confidence and affection of all who served under him. He died at the age of eighty-two years, after a lifetime in the service of his country; one of the most conspicuous and distinguished survivors of the Union Armies.

XII. The following additional appointments as Aides-de-Camp are hereby announced, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Jno. W. Toppass, Post 29, Chillicothe.

W. B. Wilson, M. D., Post 440, Foster.

Henry Helmich, Post 1, St. Louis.

Wm. Schulze, Post 314, Cedar Hill.

Jno. W. Dyer, Post 384, Osceola.

W. F. Stemmons, Post 64, Golden City.

XIII. General Orders No. 6, National Headquarters, are herewith transmitted.

XIV. By request, the Department Commander announces that the annual meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps Soldiers' Home Association will be held in Warrensburg, Mo., Friday, May 14th.

Also by request, the Department Commander announces that the annual meeting of the Missouri Association Ex-Prisoners of War, will be held in Warrensburg during the Department Encampment; the hour and place of meeting will be announced at the Encampment.

XV. Thomas Kennedy, Cedar Bluffs, Kansas, wants the address of any comrade who served with him in Co. "G," 40th Mo. Inf.

Philip U. Schmitt, Waco, Texas, private Co. "A," 2d Mo. Vol. Inf., and Lieutenant Co. "G," same regiment, desires the address of any one who knew him in the service.

By command of THOS. B. RODGERS, Department Commander:

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

PROCEEDINGS

— OF THE —

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

— OF THE —

DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

— HELD AT —

CARTHAGE, MISSOURI,

May 19 and 20, 1898.

Reported by Comrade C. C. Cowen, Stenographer, Post 1, St. Louis.

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JNO. P. PLATT,
DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

The Third Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri adopted the following *Order of Business* and the *Rules of Order* for the National Encampment, so far as the same may be applicable to a Department.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening of the Encampment.
2. Calling Roll of Officers.
3. Report of Committee on Credentials.
4. Calling Roll of Members.
5. Reports of Officers.
6. Appointment of Committee on Reports of Officers, and such other Committees as may be necessary.
7. Reception and Reference of Communications.
8. Reports of Committees.
9. Miscellaneous Business.
10. Election of Officers and Delegates to National Encampment.
11. Installation of Officers.

PROCEEDINGS
— OF THE —
Seventeenth Annual Encampment
— OF THE —
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
HELD AT —
CARTHAGE, MISSOURI, MAY 19 AND 20, 1898.

FIRST DAY, 10:30 O'CLOCK A.M.

The Seventeenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, in pursuance of General Orders No. 8. convened in the Opera House at 10:30 o'clock A.M., May 19, 1898, and was called to order by the Department Commander, John Parker Platt.

The Department Commander: Comrades of the Seventeenth Department Encampment of Missouri, we meet to-day under very peculiar circumstances; not in the history of this organization has it been as it is at this hour. Many of you are getting old and feeble, your hair is tinged largely with gray, and many of you have at your homes the wife of your youth whom you married after returning from the war, and she to-day with you is eagerly watching and praying for the safe return of a son, who, like you in the year 1861, enlisted under the old flag for a principle, that principle being human liberty. While you not only by your valor on the field of battle preserved the union of the States, you took the yoke from the necks of four million of slaves and made them, through the immortal Lincoln, free. Now your boys have gone forth to sacrifice life and endure the hardship of the soldier for the same principle—to liberate the Cubans from a thralldom and serfdom that is worse than human slavery. And the edict has

gone forth that Cuba must and shall be free. As I said before, age prevents us from taking part in the war with Spain; but let us at this Encampment say, not only to our boys, but to the American army: "God speed the day that crowned heads may crumble and the great Republic may lead in establishing universal freedom to the people of the entire world."

The Department Commander then introduced the "Ransom Howlers," who sang.

The Encampment opened with prayer by Department Chaplain Rev. Thos. Hagerty:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for our lives, for our homes, for our country, and for the innumerable blessings that Thou hast given us in this beautiful land of ours. Upon this assembling of our Annual Encampment we desire to thank Thee for the blessings of life and health during the year that is now about coming to a close. We thank Thee that the lives of our officers have been preserved, and we thank Thee for the degree of health that has been enjoyed by the comrades throughout this Department. We thank Thee that, throughout the whole depression of times and the financial trouble that has come over our country, that Thou hast been with our people and given them such a spirit and devotion to principle as include all the joys of life. We thank Thee for the blessings that we cannot now enumerate before Thee. And while we are thankful for these blessings, we pray for our comrades who have been less fortunate than ourselves. We remember the families of our comrades that are fallen by the way; we pray for Thy fatherly care over the widow and the orphan of our fallen comrades; and we pray for those of our comrades who may now be sick at their homes; and we pray that, if consistent with Thy kind providence, they may be restored speedily to health; but if Thou hast otherwise decreed, we pray Thee that their pathway may be made smooth, and that by and by they may peacefully pass to the home Thou hast provided for Thy children over yonder. Help us to be industrious; to be moral; to be temperate; to be patriots, not only by the colors that we wear, but may that loyal fidelity to every good principle characterize us as members of the Grand Army of the Republic. Since the implements of warfare were laid aside, over a quarter of a century ago, peace has reigned all through our borders. But we meet together this morning amid the echoing sound of war reverberating among our hills and across our valleys as mustering troops are gathering. The quick word of command has sounded along the line, and the tramp of the boys can again be heard. We did hope to live in peace; but the cry of the oppressed and down-trodden is heard, and the Chief Executive of this Nation desires, as the representative of seventy millions of people, to feed the needy and care for the down-trodden and distressed, and war has been the result. And now we pray our Heavenly Father, as we hope that we are true and honest—as we hope that we are not unchristian—we do *not* seek for blood and carnage, and the burning of cities and the

destruction of continents; but we thank Thee that we are true to our national obligations, as well as to our fellow man, and that we will gather around the Chief Executive of this Nation to make his arm strong and his heart courageous; and grant that his advisers may be true in their position, and, above all, efficient in judgment. God grant that our law-makers may have wisdom in this hour of trouble; that there may be no mistakes made; that every act of the Nation may be tempered with wisdom and justice to all men. We pray for poor old Spain, that she may repent and cease from war; for we fear that if our men are let loose upon her she will find no mercy. These favors we ask, in all humility at the feet of Christ. Amen.

The Roll of Officers was then called. Those present are marked with an asterisk (*).

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
*JNO. P. PLATT.

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
CHAS. H. MORGAN.

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,
*WILLIAM LOWE.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR,
CHAS. W. BURRILL.

CHAPLAIN,
*REV. THOS. H. HAGERTY.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL AND ASSISTANT
QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,
*JOHN B. PACHALL.

JUDGE ADVOCATE,
JERE. T. DREW.

INSPECTOR,
*W. B. CHALLACOMBE.

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER,
*JNO. W. SCOTT.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,
*ARNOLD BECK. *J. W. BEACH. *E. F. ROGERS.
*F. P. BECKER. *N. W. TAYLOR.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS,
WM. WARNER. JNO. E. PHELPS.
W. F. CHAMBERLIN. *LEO RASSIEUR.
*NELSON COLE. *GEO. W. MARTIN.
†E. E. KIMBALL. *C. W. WHITEHEAD.
*HIRAM SMITH, JR. *CHAS. G. BURTON.
*LOUIS GRUND. *LOUIS BENECKE.
*THOS. B. RODGERS.

†Deceased

The Committee on Credentials, through its Chairman, Comrade J. S. Moore, submitted the following report, which was, on motion, adopted :

ROLL OF THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.

Held at Carthage, Mo., May 19th and 20th, 1898.

Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Geo. Minch.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. B. Rogers, Nelson Cole, Jas. McClure, Sol. Boehm, Thos. S. Maxwell, W. J. Dale, W. H. Scott, Jno. B. Pachall, Arthur Dreifus, Chas. F. Vogel, Cord. Ringen.

Representatives, Fred. Flammger, Edward Hitchcock, G. W. Carmichael, Adam Fischer, Michael Fritz, Christ. Fricke, A. O. Engelman, Louis Koop, Fred. Schoening, B. A. Suppan, A. Roeslein, H. Helmich.

Gen. Lyon Post No. 2, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Adam Wenzel.

Past Post Commanders, Hy. Evers, Jno. C. Bensiek.

Representatives, Caspar Stolle, Chris. Niedringhaus, Edmund Schrieber.

McPherson Post No. 4, Kansas City.

Post Commander, Jas. A. Stewart.

Past Post Commanders, F. F. Snow, Ben. Warner, E. F. Rogers, J. B.

Davis.

Representative, Perry Lightle.

A. Lincoln Post No. 5, Moberly.

Post Commander, August Last.

Past Post Commanders, A. B. Thompson, J. B. Cotty, Jno. W. Scott, Alex. McCandless, August Schueneman, W. S. Betts.

Representatives, Nick Matthias, L. D. Guile.

James A. Garfield Post No. 6, Jefferson City.

Past Post Commander, W. H. Lusk.

Representative, L. V. Dix.

Custer Post No. 7, St. Joseph.

Past Post Commander, J. Waldo Beach.

Representative, T. J. Ferril.

Farragut-Thomas Post No. 8, Kansas City.

Past Post Commanders, C. W. Whitehead, J. W. Jenkins, W. F. Henry.

Representative, Chas. N. Brooks.

Gen. Canby Post No. 10, Rich Hill.

Representative, Geo. O. Circle.

Jas. A. Mulligan Post No. 11, Lexington.

Representative, Christian Fox.

Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Stephen Schwartz.

Past Post Commanders, Louis Grund, E. Kretchmar, Ig. Hartman, Geo. Neubert, L. C. Hesse, H. B. Kramer.

Representatives, Martin Scherer, Francis P. Becker, Wm. E. Schubert, Max Fritz, O. F. Oetels, Wm. Hahn, G. Niederer, Hy. Miller.

O. P. Morton Post No. 14, Joplin.

Post Commander, John R. York.

Past Post Commanders, E. W. Beach, H. Phelps, J. L. Briggs, H. W. Davison, J. R. B. Roe.

Representative, Geo. P. Hall.

Stanton Post No. 16, Carthage.

Post Commander, Thos. P. Tuttle.

Past Post Commanders, J. L. Moore, E. R. Wheeler, Jas. Spence, C. E. Garlinger, Warren Woodward, J. W. Miller, Geo. D. Coe, C. E. Elliott, Wesley Kalston, J. G. Leidy.

Representatives, H. H. Harding, D. D. Kerr.

Joe Hooker Post No. 17, Cameron.

Past Post Commander, J. S. Rodgers.

Representative, E. D. Cornish.

Sedgwick Post No. 21, Maryville.

Past Post Commander, Dr. H. E. Robinson.

Corporal Dix Post No. 22, Kirksville.

Post Commander, William D. Sigler.

Past Post Commanders, Sol. Conder, J. C. Fisher, J. Sands.

Representatives, Alfred V. Seaber, Geo. W. Johnson, Michael King, W. Bordman.

F. A. Jones Post No. 23, Macon.

Representative, C. C. Burge.

Gen. Joe Bailey Post No. 26, Nevada.

Post Commander, John T. Birdseye.

Past Post Commanders, J. H. Loyd, C. G. Burton.

Representatives, Wm. Requa, S. T. Hatton, M. A. Martin.

Tindall Post No. 29, Chillicothe.

Past Post Commander, Jno. W. Toppass.

S. A. Hurlburt Post No. 32, Hamilton.

Representative, Jefferson Van Note.

Ben. Loan Post No. 33, Kingston.

Past Post Commanders, Jno. P. Platt, D. P. Stubblefield, W. H. Heiser.

McCook Post No. 34, Lamar.

Post Commander, B. D. Dean.

Past Post Commanders, F. D. W. Arnold, A. Van Meter, S. M. Whitaker, C. M. Miller, J. K. Anderson, G. R. Ingersoll, H. F. Barrett.

Representative, A. J. Wray.

Albert Chandler Post No. 42, Macon.

Representative, Henry Dodd.

Wm. T. Sherman Post No. 43, Hannibal.

Post Commander, Adam Theis.

Geo. G. Meade Post No. 48, Lebanon.

Past Post Commanders, J. B. Hickman, C. W. Ruby.

Representative, Wm. Chartain.

Gen. Geo. R. Smith Post No. 53, Sedalia.

Post Commander, John Rippey.

Past Post Commanders, Richard Ritter, Ira T. Bronson, Dan. Grow, H. A. Blake, W. B. Challacombe.

Representatives, E. W. Greene, W. H. Nichols, J. A. Capen, Milton Bard.

Thos. G. Wade Post No. 54, Unionville.

Representative, Jacob Garver.

O. H. Wood Post No. 57, Brookfield.

Past Post Commanders, Geo. W. Martin, J. M. Sheets, J. V. Martin.

Bates County Post No. 58, Butler.

Post Commander, T. J. Wright.

Past Post Commanders, A. L. McBride, Henry Speer.

Representatives, F. M. Wyatt, H. C. Wyatt.

Gen. Wadsworth Post No. 60, Dawn.

Representative, Thomas J. Owens.

Golden City Post No. 64, Golden City.

Past Post Commanders, M. Bell, W. F. Stemmons.

Mound City Post No. 65, Mound City.

Representative, J. H. Steel.

Gen. E. D. Baker Post No. 68, Green Ridge.

Past Post Commander, Geo. McLaughlin.

Capt. Jno. Matthews Post No. 69, Springfield.

Post Commander, J. T. Walker.

Past Post Commanders, J. K. Milner, P. W. Bahl.

Representatives, H. J. Dutton, G. H. Sease.

Col. Jacob Smith Post No. 72, Trenton.

Past Post Commanders, W. B. Rogers, Geo. Hall.

Greenfield Post No. 75, Greenfield.

Post Commander, John A. Davis.

Past Post Commander, R. P. Underwood.

Representative, John J. Roberts.

Col. Grover Post No. 78, Warrensburg.

Representatives, J. H. Smith, J. A. Drummond.

Yaeger-Sharp Post No. 82, Wellsville.

Post Commander, A. J. Hunter.

Past Post Commanders, A. J. Day, Jas. D. Hart, Walter G. Broughall,

Jesse B. McQuie.

Representative, Samuel Nease.

Curtis Post No. 84, Sarcoxie.

Post Commander, T. S. Fertig.

Past Post Commanders, C. K. Allen, L. H. Stebbins.

Representative, John M. Crooks.

Capt. J. H. Paynter Post No. 90, Jericho.

Representatives, John Welsh, James Hudgens.

Gen. G. B. Boomer Post No. 97, Linn.

Representative, Dr. Alonzo Tubbs.

Henry P. Harding Post No. 107, St. Louis.

Post Commander, George Schubert.

Past Post Commanders, Geo. Heintz, Chas. T. Kerls, Wm. Niehaus.

Representatives, Henry Fairback, Ino. Gerdel, Hy. Boss, Wm. R. Oder.

Cameron Garrett Post No. 115, Carl Junction.

Post Commander, W. H. Temple.

Past Post Commanders, H. L. Thompson, W. E. Evans, A. J. Bobb, Jas.

Huffmire, Adam Grim, J. A. Loop, S. D. Chitwood, T. R. May.

Representative, Thos. Goodwin.

Jewell Post No. 118, Mt. Vernon.

Post Commander, William N. Davis.

Past Post Commander, Euphrates Boucher.

Maple Grove Post No. 120, Maple Grove.

Past Post Commander, J. C. McKay.

Representative, William O. Adams.

Lieut. T. D. Neal Post No. 124, Bethany.

Past Post Commanders, W. H. Skinner, J. Walker, Jacob Noll, David Goucher, Nelson Church.

Representative, Richard Wells.

Salem Post No. 128, Salem.

Representative, Isaac N. Porter.

Fred. Miller Post No. 130, Tina.

Post Commander, John Parsley.

Past Post Commander, W. T. Munson.

Ransom Post No. 131, St. Louis.

Post Commander, E. W. Carter.

Past Post Commanders, A. G. Peterson, A. J. Child, H. M. Pollard, L. B. Ripley, J. B. Wilde, W. G. Hills.

Representatives, D. R. Haynes, W. B. Dean, C. P. Chesebro, F. Walton, E. D. Coe, J. K. Merrifield, A. J. Showers, W. G. Simmons, S. M. Sparklin.

Sergeant B. H. Porch Post No. 135, Olean.

Representative, J. C. Walker.

Gen. J. G. Foster Post No. 137, Neosho.

Past Post Commanders, J. C. Geyer, Porter Baker.

Representative, John H. Smith.

Marionville Post No. 141, Marionville.

Past Post Commander, S. C. McCullah.

Representative, H. J. M. Holt.

Stephen Decatur Post No. 142, Medoc.

Past Post Commanders, R. O. Childers, J. W. Baker, J. A. Hunter, J. H. Robertson, J. E. Downs.

Representative, S. W. Whyback.

J. J. Gravely Post No. 149, Bolivar.

Post Commander, Elias Walts.

Liberty Post No. 150, Spickards.

Representative, James J. Clark.

Col. Henry E. Gilbert Post, No. 160, Wheeling.

Representative, Geo. Real.

Jesse H. Moore Post No. 168, Braymer.

Post Commander, E. D. Rathbun.

Gen. J. B. Steadman Post No. 172, Appleton City.

Post Commander, E. S. Chapin.

Representative, E. B. Smith.

Justi Post No. 173, Gape Girardeau.

Past Post Commanders, John Hartzell, August Bierwirth, L. F. Klosterman.

Representative, F. W. Pott.

Stephen Estle Post No. 178, DeWitt.

Post Commander, J. M. Null.

Past Post Commanders, E. G. Grossman, Wm. B. Mullins.

Representative, Chas. Rahn.

Capt. W. G. Murray Post No. 179, Memphis.

Representative, R. D. Cramer.

Stambaugh Post No. 180, Austin.

Representative, J. M. Keiton

Mansfield Post No. 181, Powersville.

Post Commander, David W. Pollock.

Maj. Hunt Post No. 185, New London.

Past Post Commander, W. R. Sanford.

John A. Rawlins Post No. 187, Pierce City.

Post Commander, J. H. Barber.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Buchner, M. P. Glassford.

Representatives, A. McKinney, J. B. Jones.

Gen. Henry Wilson Post No. 189.

Post Commander, Thos. D. Smith.

Past Post Commander, D. M. Kline.

Representative, H. P. Reeding.

W. B. Goodrich Post No. 190, Webb City.

Representative, J. S. Thombs.

Austin Hubbard Post No. 194, Stockton.

Past Post Commander, J. J. Montgomery.

Col. Morsey Post No. 197, Warrenton.

Post Commander, John H. Frick.

Past Post Commander, Larkin Carter.

Representative, W. H. Morse.

Rogersville Post No. 200, Rogersville.

Past Post Commander, J. J. Watts.

Sergt. Ryan Post No. 214, Brashear.

Past Post Commanders, J. N. McCreery, D. Tuttle, M. F. Strock.

Picket Post No. 215, Farmington.

Post Commander, Jesse P. Marks.

Republic Post No. 219, Republic.

Past Post Commanders, Jas. A. Kerr, Jos. Watson, C. Thurman, A. W. Grammar.

Norcross Post No. 221, Novelty.

Past Post Commander, G. P. Keith.
Representative, Charles W. Corkran.

S. L. Turley Post No. 222, Bancroft.

Past Post Commander, M. G. Netherton.

Lieut. S. A. M. George Post No. 232, Humansville.

Post Commander, J. W. Hapgood.

Ash Grove Post No. 234, Ash Grove.

Past Post Commanders, J. S. Poindexter, A. J. Twaddell.

Gen. Fred. D. Steele Post No. 235, Montrose.

Post Commander, P. H. Sullivan.
Past Post Commanders, D. B. Watts, J. D. Earhart.

Jno. A. Hayn Post No. 240, Boonville.

Post Commander, Chas. C. Bell.
Representative, Jas. McMillan.

Andy Smith Post No. 243, Willow Springs.

Post Commander, J. N. Miller.
Representative, Geo. Hutchinson.

Mt. McGregor Post No. 252, Metz.

Representative, Geo. M. Jones.

Morgan L. Smith Post No. 264, Deepwater.

Past Post Commander, L. L. H. Cherington.

Pinhart Post No. 268, Brunswick.

Post Commander, Louis Benecke.
Representative, Geo. W. Cunningham.

Baker Post No. 271, Pineville.

Post Commander, W. S. Mitchell.
Representative, A. K. Maxfield.

Difani Post No. 273, Perryville.

Representative, John Deitrich.

Henry Brown Post No. 276, Clarksburg.

Post Commander, H. D. Graves.
Past Post Commanders, Wm. Mengel, Jno. M. Williams, C. M. Gorden,
Geo. H. Pountain.
Representatives, Adolph Deck, Fred. Bentrup.

Wakefield Standley Post No. 282, Carrollton.

Past Post Commander, Louis Blakely.

John S. Phelps Post No. 297, St. James.

Post Commander, Adolph Mueller.

Past Post Commander, John Livingston.

Representative, R. M. Anderson.

C. A. Arthur Post No. 299, Mansfield.

Representative, J. W. Gilley.

Capt. Chas. Demny Post No. 301, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Chas. E. Koken.

Representative, Wm. C. Kohling.

Dan. McCook Post No. 312, Leesville.

Past Post Commander, M. G. Condon.

John D. Rohye Post No. 314, Cedar Hill.

Representative, Jacob J. Fisher.

Capt. Manwaring Post No. 320, Hermann.

Past Post Commander, Christian Dannser.

Representative, Frank Rehsamer.

Capt. J. M. Baird Post No. 322, Verona.

Representatives, T. M. Locke, J. W. Mills.

Adrian Post No. 327, Adrian.

Post Commander, Wm. S. Mahan.

Past Post Commander, R. W. Beck.

Gordon Granger Post No. 329, Clinton.

Past Post Commander, E. D. Canan.

Jas. Ward Post No. 337, Jasper.

Representative, Wm. Balch.

Evans Post No. 340, Economy.

Representative, Joseph Yetter.

Col. Shaw Post No. 343, St. Louis.

Post Commander, E. L. Hamlin.

Past Post Commander, Wm. Griffin.

Representative, Geo. W. Edwards.

Jesse Owens Post No. 345, Bear Creek.

Representative, C. W. Painter.

Splitlog Post No. 359, Splitlog.

Representative, Timothy Spencer.

Daniel Miles Post No. 360, Iantha.

Past Post Commander, R. P. Benson.

Representative, C. W. Palmer.

Sac River Post No. 362, Seybert.

Post Commander, J. W. Carmack.

Representative, J. M. Alexander.

Samuel Lewis Post No. 370, Cunningham.

Past Post Commander, Chas. Stewart.

Harwood Post No. 375, Harwood.

Representative, J. J. Mitchell.

Southwest City Post No. 392, Southwest City.

Past Post Commanders, S. G. Sutter, F. Burlingame.

Representative, B. F. Nicholas

Capt. J. A. Bowers Post No. 393, Milford.

Post Commander, Chas. Pierce.

Representative, H. D. Winslow.

Brookline Post No. 397, Brookline.

Post Commander, J. N. Hosey.

Representative, John S. Fains.

Durbin A. Ward Post No. 405, Pickering.

Representative, James Craig.

Conway Post No. 407, Conway.

Representative, John Watters.

Sergt. Clay Shaw Post No. 418, Sedalia.

Past Post Commander, Harrison White.

Fred. Roether Post No. 420, Montgomery City.

Representative, J. C. Robinson.

Gen. Hazen Post No. 440, Foster.

Post Commander, Seth E. Cope.

E. E. Kimball Post No. 453, Middletown.

Representative, A. M. Lafferty.

Capt. J. S. Robb Post No. 461, Jenkins.

Post Commander, H. O. Cornman.

Representative, M. A. Galloway.

Ephraim Galther Post No. 462, Aurora.
Representative, B. F. Dill.

Maj. Leonard Post No. 468, Higbee.
Representative, John Adler.

Lieut. Brooks Post No 469, Ashland.
Representative, W. O. Blanchard.

John C. Fremont Post No. 482, Norris.
Post Commander, Evin Crist.

W. W. Leggett Post No. 490, Duncans Bridge.
Post Commander, W. J. Skinner.

Eagle Post No. 492, Monett.
Post Commander, G. B. Draper.
Representative, A. H. Waite.

Col. Meumann Post No. 496, St. Louis.
Past Post Commander, J. F. Young.
Representative, Chas. A. Rosenberger.

Col. P. Cornyn Post No. 505, Chamolis.
Representative, R. P. White.

John Tietjen Post No. 506, Indian Grove.
Representative, Martin O. Stoner.

Whitesville Post No. 510, Whitesville.
Post Commander, Milton Crockett.

Harrison A. Gleim Post No. 512 Tipton.
Representative, J. B. Wolf.

Liberal Post No. 515, Liberal.
Representative, W. J. Stacy.

J. H. Crenshaw Post No. 516, Carterville.
Past Post Commander, D. M. Rose.
Representative, Wm. B. Wolcott.

T. L. Hampton Post No. 546, Newport.
Post Commander, J. O. McNew.
Past Post Commander, Eli Schopf.

Col. John A. Davis Post No. 549, Windsor.
Representative, W. J. Colbow.

E. L. Van Zandt Post No. 553, Kerbyville.

Representative, C. W. Cleaver.

Gatzweiler Post No. 554, St. Charles.

Representative, John Enoch.

L. B. Hutchinson Post No. 557, McElhany.

Representative, Geo. Friend.

Gen. A. J. Smith Post No. 559, Alba.

Representative, W. G. Wilson.

East Lynne Post No. 565, East Lynne.

Post Commander, T. C. Parker.

Representative, Gotlieb Dierling.

Burnside Post No. 566, Pleasant Hill.

Representative, W. D. Kirkpatrick.

The Department Commander: I now have the pleasure of introducing Comrade C. O. Harrington, Mayor of the city of Carthage.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

BY COMRADE CHAS. O. HARRINGTON.

Department Commander and Comrades:

To me has been assigned a most agreeable duty. It is to extend official welcome in behalf of this city, and in behalf of Stanton Post No. 16, to the Delegates of the Grand Army of the Republic to this the Seventeenth Annual Encampment of all the G. A. R. Posts of the Department of Missouri. And this I do with greater pleasure because of the war-like events which are now taking place in every quarter, upon land and sea. From the far-distant Orient, where our gallant navy has won victory in such a remarkable way that all the world wonders, to our southern borders, where the green hills of the Gem of the Antilles lift their heads above the same waters that were plowed by the keels of the caravels of Columbus, and under whose shadow events may soon take place that will change the destiny of more countries than our own; and at home, where on every side is seen the hurry and bustle of preparation for war, from the peaceful village in the interior to the rendezvous where all the atoms are gathered together into a mighty army. These events, I say, bring back to our memories and to our hearts recollections of similar scenes in the days of '61 and '62, when we, who then were fresh and light-hearted boys, like those who have but now gone from our midst to force the Spaniard to loose his bloody hand from the throat of struggling Cuba, turned our backs on home and friends and fireside, and to the singing of that good old patriotic war-song.

"We are coming, Father Abraham, three hundred thousand more,
From Mississippi's winding stream and from New England's shore,"

we hastened to the front, and for four long years, on many bloody fields, fought that this Union might endure. But, alas, when peace again spread her wings many of the brave boys who started out with us so filled with life and hope failed to follow the old flag home again; their bones lie mouldering beneath the soil of Virginia and of Tennessee and of Georgia; but they served their country well, they fought the good fight, and the bright galaxy emblazoned upon the azure field of Old Glory lost not a single star.

We had cause for going out to war in '61, and there is a reason for sending out our young men to battle now. That which I give may be a sentimental one; but, if so, it is no less a glorious sentiment. Ever since the world began noble souls have stood ready to shed their blood in defence of an idea—and that idea is liberty. The love of liberty is inborn in man. It is an instinct of the soul; and will so exist long after we have acted our brief part upon this human stage and our dust is mingled with that of the hosts who have gone before. And we are sending out our boys now, not to fight for their own liberties—for they are secure—but for those of a nation of strangers, who have endeared themselves to us by their devotion to that idea. And is not this people entitled to enjoy the blessings of freedom as well as ourselves? Look at their heroic sacrifices! Look upon their roll of martyrs—at Crombet, at Maceo, at Aranguren! And at the thousands of other nameless heroes who have yielded up their lives for the freedom of their unhappy isle, every one of whom as truly fell a martyr to liberty as did our fathers who laid down their lives for us at Bunker Hill, or Trenton, or at Valley Forge.

These recollections and these reflections bind closer the ties which hold us together. We shall meet again for a time, but our numbers will continue to grow fewer and by and by our steps will be feebler, and our sight may become dimmer; but there is nothing in this world that can lessen the joys of reunion and of comradeship. Therefore, let us now enjoy the good things the gods have given us; and may the day be far distant that shall witness the last reunion of the gallant survivors of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The essence of hospitality is in its heartiness; and we hope, comrades, to make you all feel as though you each were one of us. Our city is a lovely gem set amid the fertile slopes and hills of the Ozarks. We are proud of it, and desire to show you its beauties. We have rich mines, from which we tear the hidden treasures of Mother Earth and you shall share them if you will. Our skies are bright, and so are the eyes of our fair maids and charming matrons, and we wish you to meet them, and admire them, and respect them, as we do.

Ours is a hospitable people, and they wish to do you honor. And you are hereby officially informed that the freedom of the city is yours. Its gates stand wide open; the keys are thrown in the well; and you are invited to enter in and take full possession.

The Department Commander: I now detail Past Department Commander Charles G. Burton to respond on behalf of the Department of Missouri.

The response was in Comrade Burton's usual happy vein, and elicited the hearty applause of the Encampment.

The Department Commander: The Department Commander of the Department of Kansas and his Asst. Q. M. General are present with us—Comrades Eastman and Coulter, I now present them to you.

Comrade Eastman made a short address, as did also Comrade Coulter.

Department Commander: The next order of business is reports of officers.

Junior Vice Department Commander in the chair.

ADDRESS OF THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT OF MO., G. A. R. }
 KINGSTON, Mo., April 30, 1898. }

Comrades:

Through your suffrage, one year ago at Warrensburg, you placed the reins in my hands to guide and direct the destiny of this Department for the period which now terminates, and will soon, by your ballots, be placed in the hands of another. You also directed at that time that the next meeting of this encampment, by unanimous vote, be held in this the Queen City of the Southwest. I assure you that you made no mistake, for Carthage is located on historical grounds; where war, with all its fearful ravages, raged for nearly the four years of the conflict, and where the boys in blue rehearse with pride the glory and achievements won in fighting with Siegel. The old city was laid in ashes, and new blood came in from the north, east, west and south, and built up the waste places in the county of Jasper, and built on the ruins of what once was Carthage. In this new and magnificent city, the loyalty of whose citizens is unbounded, the blue, the gray and the ladies will vie with each other to see that you are royally entertained.

MEMBERSHIP.

No question during the year has presented itself so forcibly to me as that of membership. I have studied it and weighed it for days; that is, as to the best method of holding and increasing our membership, as it should not with proper effort decrease now, nor should it have decreased in the past. We have a greater number of pensioners in Missouri than in Kansas. We have more ex-union soldiers in this State than in Kansas, and why our Department should run from fourteen to fifteen thousand when we ought to have from twenty-five to thirty thousand is the question to which, as I have stated before, I have tried to solve. I have visited a large number of Posts in the State during the year, had open meetings and camp fires, met many suspended members and ex-soldiers who have never joined our Order and find the cause of suspension on the part of these comrades largely to be as they say—a lack of interest on the part of the officers of the Post; and some have other excuses not necessary to mention here. But would say to every Commander and Quartermaster of every Post to confer with these comrades, compromise with them as to dues, and if they are poor and not able to pay, remit them, and encourage all to come in and touch elbows once more as they did when in the fire of battle. I have given my time for the entire year and have traveled in the State 18,000 miles to further this object, and have succeeded to the extent that the losses during the

year ending December 31, 1897, are less than any year since 1891, and feel gratified at the evidence of increased interest in our Order. So let us put forth every effort to reclaim the greater part of the 5,000 now suspended.

For further details of membership I refer you to the Report of the Assistant Adjutant General.

FINANCES.

The finances of the Department, I am happy to inform the Encampment, is in much better condition than it has been for the last three years, realizing out of loans made on real estate much more than expected, after assuming the duties of the office the Department Commander, through the Committee on Loans, bought and secured a complete title to the Phelps property at Springfield, Mo., assuming all indebtedness by mortgage; and through this committee the property was sold and deeds made, with the approval of the Commander. For further information on this line, would refer you to the Report of the Committee on Loans; also to the Report of the Assistant Quartermaster General and would say in reference to this Committee, and especially the Chairman, Col. Cole, who has worked persistently to bring about the sale of this property and in realizing so much for it when we expected so little; therefore, great credit is due him and the Committee for their work, and they certainly deserve the thanks of this Department to that end. The Commander would recommend to the Department the absolute necessity of raising the per capita tax from 20 cents a year to 30 cents a year, and from that sufficient funds could be readily raised to defray all expenses, with a small remaining revenue for future use. We have used all the economy possible to keep the expenditures of the Department within its receipts, as they were derived from the per capita tax.

INSPECTION.

The Department Commander would say in regard to inspection that the present method is economical but not effective, and the comrade that fills that honorable position makes his duties a matter of love and devotion to our cause, and Comrade Wm. B. Challacombe has performed this duty in a commendable manner and would refer you to his report. I would recommend, at his suggestion, that in future the semi-annual report, not only of Inspector but of all Post officers, be forwarded to their proper destination through the Assistant Adjutant General's office. It would be more economical and insure more prompt and fuller results.

GENERAL.

For a more detailed statement of the affairs of our Department, I respectfully refer you to the various Reports of the Officers, which are submitted for your consideration.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

And I would not forget to mention on this occasion that one of the strongest motives that nerved the Union defenders' hearts to stand up for the old flag in thousands of battles was love for mother or wife or sweetheart. And worthy the words those fair patriots spoke, though from sinking hearts, of encouragement to us who for country's sake were going away to hardship, suffering, disfigurement or death. And to-day the patriotism of the women of our Department engaged in the work as our auxiliary has been and is an immeasurable strength to us. And they deserve, comrades, all the encouragement possible that it is in your power to give. They have been and are at this time actively teaching by word and example, and the thrill of their enthusiasm, that the sacrifice and deeds of the defenders of the Union and the results they achieved are a sacred heritage. And to them we owe a debt of gratitude as the founders and establishers of a Soldiers' Home in Missouri.

SONS OF VETERANS.

I have used every effort possible in urging all Post members, together with their officers, that they can do no better work in behalf of good citizenship than to influence their sons to affiliate with this noble and patriotic Order, and from observation in my travels in the State I find that the Order is in a fairly prosperous condition. There is no lack of energy on the part of its officers, but they lack the encouragement of the comrades that they ought to receive. Let us renew our fidelity to this patriotic organization in its mission to teach patriotism to the young men of the land, by all the moral support and assistance that is in our power to give. On them the mantle will fall, when we will have been numbered with those that have passed into the beyond.

RE-UNIONS.

By special invitation to this Department, extended by the Department of Kansas, which we accepted by General Orders, we attended their State Re-union at Leavenworth, in October. Commander Botkin and the old comrades of Kansas graciously received us and made our stay one of enjoyment and pleasure. Past Commander Coulter was untiring in promoting interest in the Re-union and in its organization. Nothing gives me more pleasure than the admirable manner in which Gov. Rowland and his staff are conducting the management of the Soldiers' Home. And that institution was a center of warm interest in the Re-union—nothing but praise and commendation was heard from the old soldiers who were in attendance, and their enjoyment was full and deep. In addition to this gathering the Department Commander attended the following re-unions: Spickard, Cahoka, Kidder, Wells-ville, Kirbyville and Cassville, spending the entire week at each place, with the exception of two points, and these I gave two days to each as

they were held on the same dates, and these meetings resulted in great good to the organization by renewing old acquaintances and forming new ones and re-kindling the camp-fires and expressing in no small degree lessons of patriotism and loyalty to flag and country.

MEMORIAL DAY.

May 30th has been set apart as Memorial Day and made a legal holiday. Under God, it is to our dead heroes and our living comrades that we owe our nationality and its life. And the value of this day in our nation's history can never be estimated. Besides paying a just tribute to the memory of our soldier dead, it teaches a great lesson of patriotism to the young and rising generation and its observance in the future should be as sacredly carried out as in the past, for so long as Memorial Day is observed in its true spirit we need have but little fear for the safety of our country.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

In point of numbers our Department was well represented, and by your bearing in line of march and your scrupulous attention to your uniforms, conforming strictly to the regulations, you presented an imposing spectacle. It was in fact so admirable as to evoke enthusiastic approval from the multitude all along the line. And the conduct of all was such as to leave no room for criticism, and to repeat from General Orders No. 4: "To be at the head as Commander of such a Department of the G. A. R. is indeed an honor, for it never appears before the public that it must needs acquire by legitimate methods additional renown." At other encampments it won distinction by its noble bearing and now, since the encampment at Buffalo, new laurels are attached to its escutcheon. The comrades there, besides wearing each the blue suit, the slouch hat with cord and tassel and wreath, the white tie and gloves, the Department of Missouri ribbon and the G. A. R. badge, marched with a swinging step and a true alignment which ever distinguishes a military from a civil body. So marked was the contrast in favor of our Department that President McKinley and National Commander Clarkson, from the reviewing stand and Gen. Doyle, Grand Marshal, and other observing old veterans expressed in no uncertain terms their admiration of its soldierly appearance and distinguished conduct. And for this representation on the part of the comrades and staff the Department Commander desires to express to them his profound thanks. The hospitality extended to us by the citizens of Buffalo was of a character that met with the admiration of all the Missourians that had the pleasure of attending and for which we are under many obligations.

PENSIONS.

The course pursued by the Commissioner of Pensions in the past year toward pensioners has been such that, I am sorry to say, I cannot endorse. It has been manifestly against the veterans who served the

country in the hour of its direst need. The pensioner has a right to be regarded as deserving of the miserable stipend he receives for the sacrifices he made to uphold the flag, until he is proven otherwise.

WAR—CUBA.

After thirty-three years of peace and untold prosperity we are again brought face to face with the stern realities of another war. Thank God, not an internal strife, for we as a people are at this time more firmly united in upholding law, order and old glory than ever before in our history. And this order of things at this time can be largely credited to the Grand Army of the Republic. The United States again has called on her sons to go forth not for the purpose of gain but for human liberty. Let us stand boldly in defense of that for which we fought, and give every aid and encouragement in our power to subserve the interests of our institutions and the general government. And may victory come to our arms speedily and that Spain may be stripped of her possessions in the Western Hemisphere and that Cuba may be free.

CONCLUSION.

"Rally around the flag, boys" speaks to-day to every comrade with added force. Not only our own spirit of patriotism is to be maintained in its mightiest vigor, but the zeal of our sleeping comrades is also to be carried by us. Closing up the ranks as some drop out, the remaining ones must keep shining the invincible nerve of the victors. No matter if your bodies are weak and lame and maimed, your hearts and souls are as grand as when they withstood the furnace fires of conflict. The spirit of our Order has been baptized through the highest heroism in sacrifice and suffering and conquering for the right. It can not be dimmed or put down; it is invincible. Its influence will remain mighty, although you henceforth will muster more rapidly with the silent majority. The spirit of the sixties remains undimmed in you. Your deeds will still continue to teach the young and rising generation the lessons of patriotism; to love the old flag, and country, and your deeds will stand as an inspiration to them; not only to them, but to the entire nation.

The Department Commander desires in this connection to express his heartfelt thanks for the courtesies extended and lavished on him by the comrades and by all his staff officers; to the character of his staff is the success or failure of a Commander's administration due. If active and wide-awake, his management of a Department's affairs will be known for its vigor, and its success redound to the credit of the G. A. R. In view of this, it is pleasing to be able to say that the staff of the Commander of this Department has contributed willingly and efficiently to the work devolving upon it. Especially is this true of the Assistant Adjutant General. He has been untiring in the performance of his duties and unflagging in his devotion to the principles to which

our Order is consecrated. Having much to contend with in the discharge of his arduous position, he has had the rare good fortune to meet every requirement skillfully and satisfactorily; and the pleasant relations that have characterized my term have added to my gratitude, and I shall ever cherish as among the happy recollections of my life the associations of the past year.

JOHN P. PLATT,
Department Commander.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE DEPT' COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT' OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF JUNIOR VICE DEPT' COMMANDER, }
 WARRENSBURG, MO., April 16, 1898. }

JOHN P. PLATT, Department Commander.

Dear Sir and Comrade: Another State encampment is drawing near, and the time has come for us to render an account of our labors, and the fruits of the year. I therefore beg leave to submit the following report:

When elected to the responsible and honored position of Junior Vice Department Commander, I knew but little of my duties as such junior officer; but I soon found an abundance of labor, through which I might with profit assist the Commander and render lasting aid to the Order, though time and means were very limited. With a good will, and a determination to do all that my humble abilities could accomplish, I have endeavored in every way I could to assist you and make this year a profitable one to this Department. In obedience to General Orders, I met you in Buffalo and attended the sessions of the National Encampment, helping in every way I could to maintain the proud position rightly accorded this Department. In your company I attended the Kansas Encampment at Leavenworth and visited the Posts at St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph. Aside from this, I met with Posts Nos. 131 at St. Louis and 53 at Sedalia; also those in several other smaller places. If some arrangement could be made that subordinate officers could have transportation furnished them, they might do much more toward promoting the interests of the G. A. R.

Age is telling on us; year by year our ranks are being thinned by the detail of the Great Commander. Each year finds it more of an effort to attend the Post meetings, yet the fraternal meeting of our comrades endears us to each other more and more, and strengthens the ties of comradeship. Let us try to recruit our ranks from the boys who fought with us, but so far have failed to identify themselves with our noble Order. We have only a few more years in which to do our work. If our means would permit, what a grand time we could have rallying and cheering the old comrades as we march down the shady years of life. The time is not far distant when we must separate. Let us keep heads erect, eyes to the front, as we did in the early sixties.

To the comrades of this Department I desire to return my sincere thanks for the honor conferred upon me in elevating me to the position of Junior Vice Department Commander. Permit me, Commander, to extend to you personally my warmest thanks for your uniform courtesy and kindness shown me.

With warmest personal regards, I am, very respectfully,

Yours in F. C. and L.,

WM. LOWE,

Junior Vice Department Commander.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL
AND ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER
GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, }
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
St. Louis, Mo., May 1, 1898. }

JNO. P. PLATT, Department Commander.

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit my report of the business of this office, and of the condition of the Department for the year ending December 31, 1897.

The total number of Posts December 31, 1896, was 420, of which 26 were remaining suspended, viz: 117, 212, 225, 277, 281, 318, 321, 323, 338, 351, 361, 364, 368, 394, 404, 410, 419, 422, 445, 469, 467, 484, 527, 528, 535, 538. Four Posts have surrendered their charters, viz: 30, 261, 344 and 475.

There have been seven Posts mustered, viz: 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564 and 565. One Post has been reinstated, viz: 469, being a net gain of four Posts, making the total number of Posts December 31, 1897, 424, of which 25 are remaining suspended.

One Post has been mustered since January, 1898, and two applications are pending.

The following is an abstract of the consolidated reports made to the National Headquarters for the year 1897:

FIRST TERM, SIX MONTHS, ENDING JUNE 30, 1897.

Number in good standing December 31, 1896		14,234
Gain by muster.....	272	
“ transfer	221	
“ reinstatement	188	681
Aggregate.....		14,915
Loss by death	163	
“ honorable discharge.....	29	
“ transfer	213	
“ suspension	602	
“ delinquent reports.....	59	
“ surrender of charter	34	1,100
Number in good standing, June 30, 1897.....		13,815

SECOND TERM, SIX MONTHS, ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.

Number in good standing June 30, 1897		13,815
Gain by muster	401	
“ transfer	108	
“ reinstatement	234	
“ delinquent reports.....	96	839
Aggregate		14,654
Loss by death	112	
“ honorable discharge	36	
“ transfer	182	
“ suspension	693	
“ delinquent reports		
“ surrender of charter	19	1,042
Number in good standing December 31, 1897		13,612

RECAPITULATION.

Number in good standing December 31, 1896.....		14,234
Gain during year by muster.....	673	
“ “ transfer	329	
“ “ reinstatement	422	
“ “ delinquent reports	96	1,520
Total		15,754
Loss during year by death	275	
“ “ honorable discharge	65	
“ “ transfer	395	
“ “ delinquent reports	59	
“ “ surrender of charter	53	
“ “ suspension	1,295	2,142
Number in good standing December 31, 1897		13,612
Number remaining suspended		5,652
Total number on rolls December 31, 1897.....		19,264
Number of comrades dropped during the year.....		475
Number of comrades relieved during the year.....		202
Number of other persons relieved during the year.....		115
Amount expended for relief	\$ 1,694	68
Amount of Post funds and property	66,175	25
Amount of Post relief funds	11,782	60
Loss in amount of Post funds	931	68
Loss in amount of relief funds	262	10

You will observe from the foregoing statement that our net loss for the term ending June 30, 1897, was 419, and for the term ending December 31, 1897, it was 293, making an aggregate net loss for the year 621, being less than any year since 1891. The losses by death are 275,

making the death rate nearly 2 per cent. This Department still maintains its relative position in the National Encampment in point of membership and is entitled to fifteen delegates, one of which should be elected at large.

- By direction of our last Department encampment, the Department Commander, through the Committee on Loans, acquired title to the property in Springfield, Mo., upon which we held second deed of trust, and gave deed of trust to secure the holders of original first deed of trust. In January, 1898, the Committee on Loans sold this property subject to the first deed of trust, and the Chairman, Comrade Cole, delivered to me the sum of \$2,650.57 as the net proceeds of such sale, thus closing out the interest of the Department in the Phelps property.

November 20, 1897, Comrade Cole, Chairman Committee on Loans, turned over to me \$175, on account, of the "Mesner Note" and, on February 5th, 1898, \$325 more, on account same note, making \$500 in all; thereby reducing the principal to \$1000. This loan now seems to me to be amply secured. For further particulars regarding these transactions see Report of the Committee on Loans.

Nine General Orders, twenty-four Special Orders and seventeen Dispensations have been issued from this office during your administration; the General Orders and Circulars from National Headquarters, the Department Roster, the Journal of Proceedings of the Department and National Encampments, the National Countersign (key) have been sent to all the Posts.

Seven old soldiers have been aided in securing transportation to their destination, and thirty-six comrades have been aided in securing evidence by which they have been able to complete their claim for pensions.

I have visited twenty-seven Posts and installed the officers of five. Have written over two thousand letters and postal cards. Have had removed from the morgue the bodies of seven friendless Union soldiers and secured their burial in the National Cemetery at Jefferson Barracks, thus preventing their interment in the Potters field.

I have the honor to report, that since January 1, 1898, all claims against this Department have been paid, leaving a balance on hand as shown in supplement to "Exhibit A." A careful examination of statement marked "Exhibit A" will show that the necessary expenses slightly exceed the ordinary revenue for the current year. Being now relieved of any further expense, on account of our former interests at Springfield, I am confident this deficiency will not appear next year.

The following exhibits are attached to and made part of this report:

- Exhibit "A," receipts and expenditures.
- Exhibit "B," supply account.
- Exhibit "C," department property.
- Exhibit "E," account of Posts overpaid and in arrears.
- Exhibit "F," membership of each Post with gains and losses.

I desire in conclusion, Commander, to express my hearty appreciation of your confidence and kindness in our personal and official relations. Your constant and effective labors in behalf of our organization has checked, to a marked degree, the decline in membership, which set in so strongly in 1892. Your efforts have been loyally supported by your staff and the entire comradeship of this Department.

My relations with all the officers of this Department have been of the most agreeable character, and will ever be treasured as a pleasant remembrance.

I have the honor to be,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JNO. B. PACHALL,
Ass't Adjt. General and Ass't Q. M. General.

EXHIBIT "A."

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR 1897.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand December 31, 1896		\$ 109 26
Received from per capita tax	\$2,651 66	
" " charters.....	90 00	
" " requisitions	423 07	
" " interest on loans	120 00	
" " loan	800 00	
" " principal	175 00	
" " relief returned.....	28 00	4,287 73

Supplies:	EXPENDITURES.	\$4,396 99
Membership badges.....	\$ 136 50	
Buttoniers.....	63 00	
Rank straps.....	17 50	
Books, blanks, etc.....	68 43	
		285 43

Expenses:		
Office rent.....	\$ 360 00	
Printing Proceedings of Dep't Encampment..	208 45	
Printing and stationery	68 00	
Salary A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. (old acc't.)	500 02	
" " " " 	1,299 99	
Salary Department Inspector.....	200 00	
		2,636 46
Postage	\$ 125 11	
Per capita tax	350 74	
Relief	115 05	
		590 90
Engrossing charters and commissions	\$ 8 00	
Badges for Department Encampment.....	35 00	
Badges for National Encampment	52 00	
Expenses for National Encampment	92 29	
Stenographer at Department Encampment...	56 30	
Office boy	130 00	
Abstract of title	30 00	
Insurance.....	66 00	
Moving office	29 60	
Interest.....	8 30	
Incidentals	40 32	
		547 81
Traveling Expenses:		
Department Commander Rodgers.....	\$ 35 70	
Department Commander Platt	84 55	
Assistant Adjutant General Pachall.....	64 90	
Committee on Loans	29 65	214 80

Cash balance on hand December 31, 1897.....		\$4,275 40
		121 59

EXHIBIT "B."

STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES PURCHASED, ISSUED AND ON HAND FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1897.

	On Hand Dec. 31, 1896.	Purchased.	Total.	Issued.	On Hand Dec. 31, 1897.	Value of Supplies on Hand
Membership badges	147	300	447	427	20	\$ 10 00
Buttoniers	191	1,050	1,241	1,185	56	5 60
Rank straps	138	60	198	97	101	35 35
Official ribbons	112	40	152	152		
Rules and regulations		150	150	129	21	1 05
Applications	1224	500	1,723	1,460	243	1 45
Cash books	24		24	11	13	9 75
Quartermaster receipt books		30		29	1	50
Quartermaster warrant books	12			10	2	1 50
Roll books	18			6	13	9 75
Charters		14	14	6	8	2 00
Discharges	38	20	58	63		
Transfers	140	200	340	249	91	4 55
Odes	92		92	82	10	20
Service books	25	30	55	53	2	50
Rituals	18	30	48	45	3	75
Blue books	2	4	6	6		
Department badges, plain	242		242		242	145 20
Department badges, silver top	48		48		48	48 00
Descriptive books	9	5	14	8	6	4 50
Minute books	9		9	1	8	6 00
Leaves of absence	20	100	120	69	51	2 04
Certificates of membership	136		136		136	13 60
						\$302 29

EXHIBIT "C."

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY ON HAND.

Desks	2	Gavels	6
Chairs	7	Charter, framed	1
Tables	2	Map of Missouri	1
Book case	1	Adjutant General's report of Illinois, volumes	8
Case for blanks	1	Roster Wisconsin Volunteers, volumes	2
Case for supplies	1	Journals, National Encampment	2
Chest of drawers	1	Journals, Department of Mis- souri	3
Case for pigeon holes	1	History of G. A. R. (Beath)	1
Typewriter	1	Portrait, Gen. Grant	1
Letter press	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Kimball	1
Official seal	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Phelps	1
Cuspidor	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Burton	1
Waste basket	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Grund	1
Carpet	1	Portrait, Past Department Com- mander Whitehead	1
Rugs	2	Portrait, Past Commander-in- Chief Warner	1
Sets of books	3	Other pictures	5
Slide boxes	512	Medallion F. P. Blair	1
Letter boxes	2	Safe	1
Dating stamp	1	Gas stove and hose	1
Die for Department badges	1		
Ink stands	3		
Department banner and case	2		
Pair stirrups	1		
Packing trunk	1		
Flag	1		
Letter scale	1		
Letter files	24		
Sword belts	9		

EXHIBIT "D."

DEPARTMENT ASSETS.

Cash balance, December 31, 1897	\$ 121 59
Real estate (located at Springfield, Mo.), original cost.....	5,000 00
Amount invested at Kansas City	1,325 00
Accrued interest	78 83
Office furniture	896 50
Supplies	302 29
Ledger balances	106 32
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	\$7,830 53

LIABILITIES.

Bills payable:	
Two notes, \$400 each	\$ 800 00
Interest on same	23 00
Printing	405 15
Salaries	210 00
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	\$1,438 15

NOTE.—Since the close of the fiscal year there has been received from the Committee on Loans the following:

Account of Springfield property	\$2,650 57
Account of Messner note	325 00
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	\$2,975 57

Also all outstanding obligations and accounts of the Department have been paid, leaving a balance on hand,
March 1st, of

\$1,950 21

EXHIBIT "E."

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF SUCH POSTS AS HAVE OVERPAID OR WERE
IN ARREARS, DECEMBER 31, 1897.

No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.	No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over- paid.
1	\$173 93	\$173 20	\$ 73	.....	188	\$ 3 60	\$ 4 60	.....	\$1 00
2	38 28	37 75	53	.....	197	19 00	21 35	.....	2 35
14	23 75	22 45	1 30	.....	206	5 60	4 40	\$ 1 20	.....
23	6 05	5 75	30	.....	209	14 90	2 95	11 95	.....
29	10 20	8 10	2 10	.....	218	4 35	3 60	75	.....
33	10 30	10 00	30	.....	221	7 85	7 60	25	.....
38	4 80	5 20	.....	\$ 40	229	3 40	2 00	1 40	.....
49	3 90	4 30	.....	40	239	12 10	11 40	70	.....
51	11 40	12 23	.....	83	240	12 40	12 20	20	.....
57	14 30	14 15	15	.....	241	8 50	7 30	1 20	.....
61	5 40	5 10	30	.....	242	4 80	5 00	.....	20
63	10 35	8 10	2 25	.....	243	7 65	6 35	1 30	.....
65	11 15	10 83	32	.....	251	16 18	16 39	.....	21
68	7 65	7 50	15	.....	252	12 85	12 50	35	.....
72	23 50	22 70	80	.....	260	2 20	1 00	1 20	.....
75	9 85	9 00	85	.....	261	5 80	6 10	.....	30
76	8 35	7 80	55	.....	262	3 30	3 60	.....	30
82	14 25	14 00	25	.....	269	2 90	3 85	.....	95
84	10 00	9 00	1 00	.....	278	4 90	3 80	1 10	.....
86	5 21	5 00	21	.....	279	2 10	1 70	40	.....
90	7 40	7 20	20	.....	283	3 90	4 90	.....	1 00
96	5 00	4 20	80	.....	284	7 27	7 00	27	.....
97	6 70	7 58	.....	88	285	5 55	4 10	1 45	.....
104	8 70	5 30	3 40	.....	286	7 00	6 20	80	.....
106	11 05	9 15	1 90	.....	290	6 40	6 20	20	.....
107	51 50	50 10	1 40	.....	291	6 25	4 20	2 05	.....
109	17 70	14 90	2 80	.....	294	4 75	4 30	45	.....
111	32 20	21 50	10 70	.....	303	3 70	3 97	.....	27
112	173 93	173 20	73	.....	312	7 50	8 60	.....	1 10
115	12 55	12 30	25	.....	314	8 60	8 35	25	.....
119	13 40	13 20	20	.....	320	9 34	8 04	1 30	.....
130	10 73	9 35	1 38	.....	322	6 45	6 10	35	.....
134	3 20	2 70	50	.....	324	5 85	5 60	25	.....
152	10 40	9 80	60	.....	327	4 60	4 00	60	.....
158	9 30	8 90	40	.....	330	12 27	8 60	3 67	.....
161	7 20	6 00	1 20	.....	331	3 20	2 90	30	.....
162	4 00	4 45	.....	45	335	7 10	6 80	30	.....
166	6 00	4 90	1 10	.....	340	4 75	4 40	35	.....
176	2 40	2 20	20	.....	343	25 90	17 45	8 40	.....
177	4 25	2 70	1 55	.....	344	6 40	3 80	2 60	.....
179	17 40	16 70	70	.....	346	6 40	2 60	3 80	.....
182	11 70	10 20	1 50	.....	360	6 80	6 00	80	.....
187	4 10	1 60	2 50	.....	362	15 65	15 45	20	.....

No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over-paid.	No	Dr.	Cr.	Due.	Over-paid.
365	\$ 4 50	\$ 4 80		\$ 30	444	\$ 18 00	\$ 17 30	\$ 70	
367	4 75	4 95		20	459	5 70	5 40	30	
375	8 58	8 10	\$ 48		462	7 10	8 10		\$1 00
377	9 30	9 10	20		468	7 22	6 90	32	
379	10 30	10 75		45	470	2 00	4 65		2 65
383	3 10	2 80	30		471	2 65	2 45	20	
384	16 60	12 10	4 50		478	4 10	3 90	20	
385	3 20	3 85		65	481	2 60	1 50	1 10	
386	11 50	11 89		39	485	2 10	1 50	60	
387	8 25	5 40	2 85		488	3 10	3 90		80
390	4 90	4 40	50		490	6 10	5 90	20	
391	6 80	6 40	40		495	9 10	4 60	4 50	
392	5 80	6 10		30	505	2 05	1 50	55	
397	2 70	3 10		40	514	6 30	6 03	27	
398	9 40	9 00	40		515	13 95	15 25		1 30
402	3 30	1 50	1 80		520	4 62	4 20	49	
407	3 85	3 40	45		526	1 90	1 70	20	
408	5 00	6 30		1 30	537	10 00	9 70	30	
411	6 40	5 50	90		545	7 96	7 56	40	
426	5 10	3 00	2 10		546	3 70	3 40	30	
433	7 13	6 40	73		548	4 95	4 30	65	
436	4 98	4 20	78		550	4 90	5 20		30
437	4 60	3 60	1 00		552	4 40	2 50	1 84	

NOTE.—This statement does not include the *per capita* tax for second term of 1897, except where it was paid before January 1, 1898. Posts not having reported for the first term of 1897, or prior, and whose balance does not exceed fifteen cents, are not included.

EXHIBIT "F."

STATEMENT SHOWING MEMBERSHIP IN GOOD STANDING OF EACH POST,
WITH GAINS AND LOSSES.

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1896	1897		
Frank P. Blair.....	1	St. Louis.....	610	588		22
Gen. Lyon.....	2	St. Louis.....	154	128		26
McPherson.....	4	Kansas City.....	213	175		38
A. Lincoln.....	5	Moberly.....	80	74		6
James A. Garfield.....	6	Jefferson City.....	71	54		17
Custer.....	7	St. Joseph.....	128	160	32	
Farragut-Thomas.....	8	Kansas City.....	241	237		4
Gen. Canby.....	10	Rich Hill.....	58	57		1
Jas. A. Mulligan.....	11	Lexington.....	33	34	1	
Ellsworth.....	12	Grant City.....	32	55		7
Col. Hassendeubel.....	13	St. Louis.....	548	483		65
O. P. Morton.....	14	Joplin.....	83	68		15
Stanton.....	16	Carthage.....	111	115	4	
Joe Hooker.....	17	Cameron.....	73	76	3	
Phil. Kearney.....	19	Laclede.....	50	50		
Maj. James Wilson.....	20	Louisiana.....	31	32	1	
Sedgewick.....	21	Marville.....	124	138	14	
Corporal Dix.....	22	Kirksville.....	137	132		5
F. A. Jones.....	23	Macon.....	55	43		12
David A. Roberts.....	25	Glenwood.....	36	13		23
Gen. Joe Bailey.....	26	Nevada.....	71	78	7	
Tindall.....	29	Chillicothe.....	40	41	1	
Capt. Wagoner.....	31	Independence.....	23	20		3
S. A. Hurlbut.....	32	Hamilton.....	30	30		
Ben. Loan.....	33	Kingston.....	43	43		
McCook.....	34	Lamar.....	49	34		15
Paddy Shields.....	36	Clarence.....	30	24		6
Col. Forbes.....	38	La Plata.....	21	23	2	
Roderick Rockwood.....	39	Nenia.....	26	26		
Peabody.....	41	Savannah.....	22	24	2	
Albert Chandler.....	42	Macon.....	38	35		3
W. T. Sherman.....	43	Hannibal.....	119	103		16
McCullough.....	44	Milan.....	30	30		
Christian Meyer.....	45	Oregon.....	38	29		9
Perry V. Fletcher.....	46	De Soto.....		7		
Capt. J. L. Clark.....	47	Green City.....	29	24		5
Gen. Geo. G. Meade.....	48	Lebanon.....	110	64		46
Capt. D. M. Birch.....	49	Edgerton.....	11	15	4	
Col. Fred. Schaefer.....	51	Concordia.....	49	51	2	
Gen. Geo. R. Smith.....	53	Sedalia.....	202	178		24

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1896	1897		
Thos. G. Wade	54	Unionville	52	44	8	
Reynolds	56	Graham	22	21	1	
O. H. Wood	57	Brookfield	66	62	4	
Bates County	58	Butler	101	86	15	
Geo. H. Blunt	59	Pollock	26	24	2	
Gen. Wadsworth	60	Dawn	24	25	1	
Valentine Peters	61	Maitland	26	25	1	
Winfield Scott	63	Holden	39	38	1	
Golden City	64	Golden City	25	23	2	
Capt. Wm. Wilkinson	65	Mound City	26	52	26	
Kirkpatrick	66	Winston	21	21		
Tarkio	67	Tarkio	31	30	1	
Gen. E. D. Baker	68	Green Ridge	26	24	2	
Capt. John Mathews	69	Springfield	85	78	7	
B. B. King	70	Canton		24		
Col. Jacob Smith	72	Frenton	82			
Johnson Downen	73	Sticklerville	11	12	1	
Greenfield	75	Greenfield	28	47	19	
Jno. A. Dix	76	Kidder	40	34	6	
Col. Grover	78	Warrensburg	111	100	11	
Capt. Stanley	79	Princeton	67	62	5	
Rosseau	80	Ravanna	21			
L. W. Cooper	81	Lathrop	29	29		
Yaeger-Sharp	82	Wellsville	39	36	3	
Curtis	84	Saxcoie	17	16	1	
Lookout	85	Shelbina	15			
King City	86	King City	50	54	4	
C. G. Harker	88	Meadville	32	33	1	
Capt. J. H. Paynter	90	Jericho				
T. H. Richardson	92	Lancaster	18	17	1	
Capt. C. C. Harvey	96	Mayville	32	32		
Gen. G. B. Boomer	97	Linn	39	28	11	
Franklin Shanks	100	Lutesville	20	21	1	
Shelbyville	102	Shelbyville	19	20	1	
Chilhowee	103	Chilhowee	15	8	7	
Nichols	104	Gallatin	26	28	2	
Arthur Crocket	106	Malta Bend	27	28	1	
Harry P. Harding	107	St. Louis	172	171	1	
Jeff. C. Davis	108	Versailles	34	35	1	
B. K. Davis	109	Hopkins	29	29		
Wm. McKee	110	Kahoka	57	45	12	
Miles Carroll	111	Iberia				
Cameron Garrett	115	Carl Junction	43	34	9	
Jewell	118	Mt. Vernon	33	28	5	
Marion	119	Stanberry	66	66		
Maple Grove	120	Maple Grove	21	15	6	
Virgil Rogers	122	Martinstown	27	23	4	
Lieut. T. D. Neal	124	Bethany	62	71	9	
Salem	128	Salem	40	32	8	
Capt. J. H. Little	129	Denver	13	13		

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1896	1897		
Fred. Miller	130	Tina	35	19	.....	16
Ransom	131	St. Louis	465	478	13	.....
Gentry	134	Albany	27	30	3	.....
Sergt. B. H. Porch	135	Olean	16	25	9	.....
Gen. J. G. Foster	137	Neosho	51	40	.....	11
Marionville	141	Marionville	43	33	.....	10
Stephen Decatur	142	Medoc	23	29	6	.....
Samuel McClure	145	Eldon	40	59	19	.....
Avalon	146	Avalon	26	26	.....	.....
J. J. Gravely	149	Bolivar	51	41	.....	10
Liberty	150	Spickards	80	86	6	.....
D. N. Keeler	152	Melrose	52	36	.....	16
Wm. T. Kays	154	Arbela	10	.....	.....	.....
Loyalty	155	Creighton	29	29	.....	.....
Geo. Miller	158	Bethel	44	47	3	.....
Col. Henry E. Gilbert	160	Wheeling	19	24	5	.....
Gen. Frank Herron	161	Buffalo	28	32	4	.....
Marshall	162	Elmo	19	21	2	.....
Col. Islam Keith	164	Breckenridge	22	27	5	.....
Menke	166	La Grange	20	21	1	.....
Jesse H. Moore	168	Braymer	32	40	8	.....
J. H. Whitehead	171	Victoria	18	20	2	.....
J. B. Steadman	172	Appleton City	42	42	.....	.....
Justi	173	Cape Girardeau	61	53	.....	8
Maj. Hiram Gavitt	174	Fredericktown	19	10	.....	9
Seneca	175	Seneca	28	33	5	.....
Indian Springs	176	Indian Springs	11	11	.....	.....
W. H. L. Wallace	177	Moundville	14	13	.....	1
Stephen Estle	178	De Witt	36	34	.....	2
Murray	179	Memphis	81	80	.....	1
Stambaugh	180	Austin	33	41	8	.....
Mansfield	181	Powersville	52	52	.....	.....
Chester Harding	182	St. Joseph	44	45	1	.....
Erich Pape	184	Bollinger Mills	20	19	.....	1
Maj. Hunt	185	New London	33	30	.....	3
John A. Rawlins	187	Pierce City .....	.....	18	.....	.....
John D. Mullins	188	Linneus	21	19	.....	2
Gen. Henry Wilson	189	Rolla	27	24	.....	3
W. B. Goodrich	190	Webb City	12	27	15	.....
Austin Hubbard	194	Stockton	56	55	.....	1
Col. Morsey	197	Warrenton	49	50	1	.....
Rogersville	200	Rogersville	26	28	2	.....
Bradshaw	201	Mt. Moriat	21	15	.....	6
Geo. N. McGee	206	Camden	22	22	.....	.....
Col. Brooks	207	Hannibal	18	.....	.....	.....
McCroskey	210	Springfield	28	40	12	.....
Isaac Clevenger	211	Excelsior Springs	22	15	.....	7
Jas. A. K. Dillon	213	Lindley	12	14	2	.....
Sergt. Ryan	214	Brashear	53	53	.....	.....
Picket	215	Farmington	58	68	10	.....

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing		GAIN.	Loss.
			Dec. 31.	1896 1897		
Cainsville	216	Cainsville	40	39		1
Bennett Ford	217	Williamstown	10	10		
Jno. Williams	218	Fairport	16	15		1
Republic	219	Republic	27	28	1	
Jamesport	220	Jamesport	12	12		
Norcross	221	Novelty	38	38		
S. L. Turley	222	Bancroft	31	31		
Reuben Dale	223	Eagleville	60	42		18
Guy Ward	224	Hale	12			
Col. Almstaedt	227	Fenton	12			
Union	229	Laddonia	19	15		4
Lieut. S. A. M. George	232	Humansville	65	47		19
Thos. J. Brouster	233	Clayton	48	46		2
Ash Grove	234	Ash Grove		34		
Gen. Fred. D. Steele	235	Montrose	34	34		
U. S. Grant	236	Lincoln	13	9		4
Farnsworth	237	Warsaw	19	19		
W. S. Hancock	239	Mexico	39	38		1
John A. Hayn	240	Boonville	52	47		5
Galt	241	Galt	23	23		
Pattonsburg	242	Pattonsburg	23			
Andy Smith	243	Willow Springs	22	22		
Fred. Steele	244	Cole Camp	12	18	6	
Jack Grant	245	Knox City	20	20		
John W. Rawlins	247	West Plains	26	29	3	
Fordland	249	Fordland				
Ulysses	250	Mirabile	19	11		8
Col. Leonard	251	Eldorado Springs	50	42		8
Mt. McGregor	252	Metz	27	38	11	
Mt. Pleasant	253	Belton		12		
J. N. Hilton	254	Forsythe	25	26	1	
John Boon	257	Licking	51	51		
Mitchell	258	Gatewood		16		
Blanchard	260	S. Blanchard	10	10		
Sergt.-Maj. McIntosh	261	Hermitage				
Johnson	262	Centralia	13	13		
Cuba	263	Cuba	35	35		
Morgan L. Smith	264	Deepwater	40	25		15
Pinhart	268	Brunswick	52	46		6
Sergt. Plummer	269	Sparta	28	31	3	
Baker	271	Pineville	13	15	2	
Difani	273	Perryville	68	65		3
Norwood	274	Norwood	23			
Henry Brown	276	Clarksburg	154	107		47
Jno. Kelsey	278	Cosby	17	14		3
Edinburg	279	Edinburg	18	15		3
Wakefield Standley	282	Carrollton	42	41		1
Wakefield	283	Fair Play	39	20		19
Geo. G. Bryan	284	Belgrade	30	30		
Jim Carnes	285	Rockport	20	23	3	

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1896	1897		
Chas. Sumner	286	Boonville	31	11		20
Warren	287	Rockville	11	11		
Thos. S. Staples	288	Fairmont				
Maj. Bartlett	289	Troy	23	14		9
Fred Hecker	290	Pacific	32	29		3
Robert McElroy	291	Clarksville	32	30		2
Geo. Gamble	293	Hemker	35	24		11
Col. Geiger	294	Highlandville		14		
Capt. Blandowsky	296	New Haven	17	17		
John S. Phelps	297	St. James	52	43		9
Stewartville	298	Stewartville	7			
C. A. Arthur	299	Mansfield	50	50		
Chas. Demny	301	St. Louis	35	35		
Negley	302	Ottomer	8	10	2	
Bob. Ford	303	Coffeysburg	19	18		1
Jno. A. Logan	304	St. Louis	50	40		10
Ben. Grigsby	305	Roads	10	12	2	
Geo. W. Tyler	311	Ford	20	20		
Dan. McCook	312	Leesville	37	23		14
Wm. F. Lane	313	Strafford				
Jno. D. Rohye	314	Cedar Hill	25	26	1	
Jordan Wilson	316	Clarksville	17			
Gen. Hunter	317	Lamonte	12	11		1
Capt. Manwaring	320	Hermann	48	40		8
Capt. J. M. Baird	322	Verona	38	28		10
Geo. V. Pitts	324	Stanton	15			
Capt. J. Felix St. James	326	Ste. Genevieve	53	54	1	
Adrian	327	Adrian	26	20		6
Simpson Mason	328	Bakersfield	12			
Gordon Granger	329	Clinton	56	38		18
Jonah W. Reser	330	Urbana	43	43		
Jno. P. McCluney	331	Higginsville	29	29		
James W. Owens	332	Washington	51	51		
Gen. Jas. H. Hart	333	Piedmont				
H. G. Blake	335	Panacea	29	18		11
James Ward	337	Jasper	48	32		16
Houston	339	Houston	42	41		1
Evans	340	Economy	35	21		14
Sergt. L. J. Roach	342	Montreal				
Col. Shaw	343	St. Louis	61			
Franz Wilhelmi	344	Union	19			
Jesse Owens	345	Bear Creek	29	29		
Iron	346	Ironton	13	17	4	
Levi F. Pennington	347	Truxton	10			
H. C. Beckett	348	Mineral Point	32	32		
Capt. Jas. Johnson	350	Arnsberg	19	19		
Pardee	352	Cabool	20	20		
Sergt. P. P. Mabrey	354	Chaonia	18	11		2
Dixon	355	Dixon	40			
Zincite	356	Zincite				

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1896	1897		
R. L. Ferguson	358	Sweet Springs	40	40		
Splitlog	359	Splitlog	16	15		1
Daniel Miles	360	Iantha	19	21	2	
Sac River	362	Seybert	32	42	10	
Appleton	365	Appleton	22	18		4
Upton	366	Sheridan	30	27		3
Roscoe	367	Roscoe	23	18		5
Samuel Lewis	370	Cunningham	18	22	4	
Stella	371	Stella	38	24		14
Col. Putnam	373	Allendale				
R. P. Carnes	374	Dunlap	27	27		
Harwood	375	Harwood	25	29	4	
Capt. J. W. Robertson	377	Ozark	25	35	10	
Capt. Tom. Walker	379	Leora	32	31		1
Commerce	382	Commerce	24	23		1
Jas. A. Dollans	383	Mountain View	17	14		3
Dawn	384	Osceola	36	29		7
Long Lane	385	Long Lane	16			
Albert Harrison	386	Climax Springs	36	31		5
Marceline	387	Marceline	34	34		
Jacob Yount	390	Yount	44	28		16
Pike	391	Bowling Green	32	31		1
Southwest City	392	Southwest City	21	20		1
Capt. J. A. Bowers	393	Milford	23	24	1	
Brookline	397	Brookline	13	13		
Phil. Sheridan	398	Walnut Grove	30	13		17
Capt. L. F. Bierwirth	402	Cape Girardeau	15	14		1
Durbin A. Ward	405	Pickering	17	17		
Corporal Duke	406	Garrison	19	17		2
Conway	407	Conway	35	34		1
Col. Krekel	408	St. Peters	25	25		
Jno. Shelton	409	Palace	12	12		
Capt. Kelso	411	Astoria	18	22	4	
Downing	412	Newark	17	19	2	
David Hewitt	414	Louisburg	22			
Tiff City	416	Tiff City	8	8		
Smithton	417	Smithton	20	11		9
Sergt. Clay Shaw	418	Sedalia	20	20		
Fred. Roether	420	Montgomery City	30	29		1
Capt. Bradley	421	Crocker	23	19		4
Florence	423	Florence	19	17		2
Col. A. J. Webber	424	Wakenda	28	16		12
Wm. Hawkins	425	Brumley	33	35	2	
Hunnell	426	Monroe City	15			
Thos. Gordon	428	Polo	30	33	3	
John V. Hoover	429	Elkland	40	50	10	
Holt	430	Craig	18	20	2	
Jos. S. Wray	431	Egypt Mills	16	13		3
Columbia	432	Columbia		24		
David D. Porter	433	Mountain Grove	41	29		12

NAME OF POST.	No	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1896	1897		
J. B. Wicker	434	Richland.....	24	26	2	
Thos. Shelton.....	435	Howland.....	22	23	1	
Jos. A. Mower.....	436	Hartville.....	19	21	2	
Gen. Simon Cameron.....	437	Cross Timbers.....	17	19	2	
Gen. Hazen.....	440	Foster.....	25			
Alton.....	441	Alton.....	13			
Hume.....	442	Hume.....	24	12		12
Gen. Madison Miller.....	444	St. Louis.....	40	38		2
Obediah Gray.....	446	Moody.....	12			
Capt. Bauer.....	447	Berger.....	18	18		
Fair Grove.....	449	Fair Grove.....	18			
David Rees.....	450	Smithville.....				
Tipton.....	452	Tipton.....	10			
E. E. Kimball.....	453	Middletown.....	36	28		8
Calhoun.....	454	Calhoun.....				
McClain.....	455	Centretown.....				
De Kalb.....	456	De Kalb.....	15	13		2
Warren T. Stewart.....	457	Benton.....	18	19	1	
Col. J. P. Brownlow.....	458	Plew.....	12	12		
Jno. Whaling.....	459	St. Joseph.....	22	15		7
Capt. J. S. Robb.....	461	Jenkins.....	22	13		9
Ephraim Gaither.....	462	Aurora.....	28	23		5
Louis Duemler.....	465	St. Clair.....	30	34	4	
Vandalia.....	466	Vandalia.....	35	32		3
Maj. Leonard.....	468	Higbee.....	24	31	7	
Lieut. Brooks.....	469	Ashland.....		19		
Gen. Geo. D. Crook.....	470	Slater.....	20			
Ethel.....	471	Ethel.....	14			
Callaway.....	472	Fulton.....	18	15		3
L. W. Weathermon.....	473	Clyde.....	9	8		1
New Union.....	478	Fair Dealing.....	19	25	6	
T. R. Lane.....	479	Montreal.....	20	25	5	
Goulding.....	481	Buckhart.....	14	18	4	
Jno. C. Fremont.....	482	Norris.....	13			
Geo. B. McClellan.....	485	Washington.....	15			
Dillard Bell.....	487	Elmer.....	14	11		3
L. Stevenson.....	488	Pocahontas.....	19	14		5
Maj. Ennis.....	489	Greentop.....	18	20	2	
W. W. Leggett.....	490	Duncan's Bridge.....	20			
Eagle.....	492	Monett.....	19	29	10	
Jas. H. Fort.....	494	Greencastle.....	13			
E. D. Brown.....	495	Lead Mine.....	45	46	1	
Col. Meumann.....	496	St. Louis.....	127	121		6
Maj. Montgomery.....	498	Ardeola.....	10			
Jno. S. Miller.....	499	Guilford.....	13			
Monroe Lee.....	504	Golden.....	18	15		3
Col. P. Cornyn.....	505	Chamois.....	16	14		2
Jno. Tietzens.....	506	Indian Grove.....	50	49		1
Maj. Worthington.....	507	Shell Knob.....	28	22		6
Whitesville.....	510	Whitesville.....	19	19		

NAME OF POST.	NO	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1896	1897		
Harrison A. Gleim	512	Tipton	44	46	2	
Jesse Turnage	514	Rayville	38	36		2
Liberal	515	Liberal	38	42	4	
J. H. Crenshaw	516	Carterville	37	37		
Parnell City	517	Parnell City	16	17	1	
F. M. Slagle	520	Exeter	11	11		
Drexel	524	Drexel	25			
Geo. W. Murphy	525	Cowgill	30	38	8	
Geo. W. Walker	526	Darlington	16	14		2
Ben. Lewis	529	Glasgow	18	15		3
Aldrich	536	Aldrich	26			
Tecumseh	537	Ridge Prairie	25	26	1	
Tillman Tirrell	539	Moberly	13			
J. H. Weirich	540	Spring Bluff	23	22		1
W. H. Harrison	542	Bland	19	17		2
S. S. Bell	543	Festus	10	11	1	
Gen. Jere. M. Rusk	544	St. Charles	17	11		6
Ridgeway	545	Ridgeway	25	13		12
T. L. Hampton	546	Newport	12	10		2
Wm. A. Mills	548	Boyles' Mills	25	19		6
Col. John A. Davis	549	Windsor	26	25		1
Seligman	550	Seligman	18	18		
Blythedale	551	Blythedale	26	29	3	
Denver	552	Baxter	13	12		1
Thos. Welch	553	Kirbville	29	19		10
Gatzweiler	554	St. Charles	44	30		14
Urich	555	Urich	17	17		
Capt. Chas. T. Ernst	556	Easton	17	17		
L. B. Hutchinson	557	McElhanev	20	19		1
Garretson	558	Poplar Bluff	31	32	1	
Gen. A. J. Smith	559	Alba	18	18		
James A. Hill	560	Ellsinore	16	16		
A. C. Marvin	561	Collins	17	17		
Col. Asa G. Smith	562	Walnut Shade	17	17		
Blue Springs	563	Blue Springs	18	18		
Gen. John McNeil	564	Queen City	22	22		
East Lynne	565	East Lynne	21	21		

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

MOBERLY, Mo., May 2, 1898.

JOHN P. PLATT, Department Commander.

Comrade: It affords me great pleasure to have the honor of submitting to you a report of the Posts mustered during my term of office.

STATEMENT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Date.	By Whom Mustered.
559	Gen. A. J. Smith..	Alba	July 1	R. Lundy.
560	James A. Hill.....	Elsinore.....	July 10	D. B. Casteel.
561	A. C. Marvin	Collins	Sept. 4	Edgar Scott.
562	Col. Asa G. Smith	Walnut Shade	Oct. 16	A. S. Prather.
563	Blue Springs	Blue Springs..	Nov. 27.....	E. F. Rogers.
564	Gen. Jno. McNeil	Queen City....	Jan. 3	Jacob Sands.
565	East Lynn.....	East Lynn.....	Jan. 8	W. L. TenBrook.
566	Burnside	Pleasant Hill	Feb. 2	J. W. Brocaw.

Total number of new Posts mustered.... 8.

Total membership of same..... 142

I desire to return my sincere thanks to the Special Mustering Officers and other Comrades who kindly assisted in organizing these new Posts, thereby manifesting their zeal for the welfare of our order, and the means of economizing our expense, which demands our every consideration.

A comparison of reports from other Department Encampments of this year places the Missouri Department above the average in new Posts and the maintainance of numbers, which is ample evidence that more usefulness than display has been the rule, and the result has equalled the expectations.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JOHN W. SCOTT,

Chief Mustering Officer.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR, }
 SEDALIA, Mo., March 29, 1898.

JOHN P. PLATT, Commander Department of Missouri, G. A. R.,
 Kingston, Mo.

Dear Comrade: In accordance with Rules and Regulations, I herewith submit inspection report for the year 1897. The number of inspection reports received 264, shows a falling off of thirty from 1896 and previous years; though from no lack of effort from this office. Still the falling off does not in any way denote that those, or at least a large majority of those received are not the result of diligent and efficient work, many complain of hard times and discouragements, but still hope for a brighter future; but I fear the hopes of many will never be realized, not but what they would, if they could, for old age is creeping stealthily upon many of the comrades, and it is only as they get together and live over the past that they feel young and enthusiastic as they were in '61 to '65. Some complain of the distance that comrades live from where meetings are held, but not one, in all of the trials and discouragements that seemingly beset them, have lost a whit of their love for comrades and love and devotion to Old Glory, to a number, I have written letters of suggestion and encouragement.

As you have experienced during your appointment as Department Inspector, so have I with the delay of receipt of inspection reports. There certainly should be found a way whereby this, in a great measure, may be avoided. If I may be allowed a suggestion (and it is along the same line that you recommended), would it not be best to have all reports accompany the Adjutant's Report, together with the per capita tax to Department Headquarters, in that event the Assistant Adjutant General would know what Posts had fully complied with the Rules and Regulations, and in sending out the countersign would be governed accordingly; holding inspection and other reports until about February 1st and then forwarding each to the respective officers by mail or otherwise for making up their reports.

I herewith submit detailed report as follows:

Number of Posts in good standing as shown by Assistant Adjutant General's report, December 31, 1897.....	894
Number of members in good standing, same report.....	13,612
Number of Posts inspected	264
Membership of Posts inspected.....	11,160
Amount in relief fund, 50 Posts.....	\$11,357 05
Amount expended for charity, 121 Posts	2,649 37
Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermaster, 214 Posts	18,977 24
Value of other property owned by 224 Posts.....	34,499 10
Posts in which ritual is properly performed.....	207
Posts whose officers and guards are uniformed and equipped..	47
Posts whose officers and guards are partly uniformed and equipped	91
Posts whose members are uniformed.....	71
Posts whose members are partly uniformed.....	187
Posts in which records are well kept	248
Posts that receive and read orders regularly.....	253
Posts having a relief fund.....	50
Number of Posts that have forwarded all dues and reports.....	273
Number of Posts reporting a Woman's Relief Corps.....	72
Number of Posts reporting a Camp of Sons of Veterans.....	40
Posts reporting flattering prospects	1
Posts reporting good prospects.....	120
Posts reporting fair prospects.....	90
Posts reporting poor prospects.....	43
Posts reporting bad prospects	5
Number members reported 1891.....	21,038
Number members reported 1892.....	20,353
Number members reported 1893.....	18,611
Number members reported 1894.....	17,766
Number members reported 1895.....	15,497
Number members reported 1896.....	13,309
Number members reported 1897.....	13,612

You will note a few encouraging facts from the foregoing report, a slight increase in number of Posts, an increase of 309 members in good standing over 1896. In finances an increase is shown in the fund for relief, which may be accounted for largely by less having been expended for relief than in previous year. There is a slight decrease of funds in Quartermaster's hands, but a good increase in value of other Post property.

From the reports of Posts that have reached me, I fear that proper encouragement and support is not given to the Woman's Relief Corps

and Sons of Veterans, as both show a slight decrease, this should never be, all should be encouraged and increased to the utmost for the upbuilding of patriotism and loyalty.

In closing I wish to extend to all with whom I have had official intercourse my sincere thanks for courtesies shown to me and for my appointment as Department Inspector. Commander, I feel grateful and deem it as much a compliment to Gen'l Geo. R. Smith Post, as to myself personally.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

WM. B. CHALLACOMBE,

Department Inspector.

No. of Post.	NAME OF POST INSPECTED.	Number of members in good standing?	Is the work in the Ritual properly exemplified?	Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped?	Are the members uniformed?	Are the officers regular in their attendance?	Are the members regular in their attendance?	Are the records complete and well kept?	Are orders received regularly, and read to the Post and filed?
1	Frank P. Blair	588	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
2	Gen. Lyon	129	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
4	McPherson	178	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
5	Abraham Lincoln	80	yes	partly	gen'lry	yes	yes	yes	yes
6	James A. Garfield	54	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
7	Custer	160	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
8	Farragut-Thomas	289	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
10	Gen. Canby	57	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
11	James A. Mulligan	33	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
12	Ellsworth	55	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
13	Col. Hassendeubel	483	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
14	O. P. Morton	70	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	no
16	Stanton	115	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
17	Jos. Hooker	76	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
19	Phil. Kearney	50	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
20	Maj. Jas. Wilson	32	fair	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
21	Sedgwick	138	fair	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
22	Corporal Dix	132	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
23	F. A. Jones	43	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
25	David A. Roberts	13	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
26	Gen. Jos. Bailey	78	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
29	Findall	41	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
31	Capt. Wagoner	19	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
32	S. A. Hurlburt	38	no	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
33	Ben. Loan	43	yes	yes	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
34	A. D. McCook	34	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
36	Paddy Shields	23	yes	yes	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
38	Col. Forbes	22	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
39	Roderick Rockwood	26	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
41	Peabody	21	yes	partly	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes
42	Albert Chandler	35	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
43	W. T. Sherman	96	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
44	McCullough	38	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes
45	Christian Meyer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
46	Perry V. Fletcher	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
47	Capt. J. L. Clark	24	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
48	Gen. Geo. G. Meade	65	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
49	Capt. D. M. Birch	15	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
51	Col. F. Schaefer	50	fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
53	Gen. Geo. R. Smith	178	yes	yes	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
54	Thos. G. Wade	44	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
56	Reynolds	21	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
57	O. H. Wood	63	no	yes	partly	fair	poor	yes	yes
58	Rates County	100	yes	partly	partly	fair	yes	yes	yes
59	Geo. H. Blunt	24	no	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
60	Gen. Wadsworth	25	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
61	Valentine Peters	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
63	Winfield Scott	38	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
64	Golden City	23	yes	no	no	fair	fair	no	yes
65	Mound City	52	fair	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
68	Kilpatrick	21	yes	yes	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
67	Farkio	30	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
68	Gen. E. D. Baker	24	no	no	partly	no	no	yes	yes
69	Capt. John Mathews	82	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
70	B. B. King
72	Col. Jacob Smith
73	Johnson Downen

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yes	yes	\$ 717 51	\$343 15	\$ 80 34	\$3,500 00	yes	yes	good	1
yes	yes	40 00	40 00	118 00	68 11	yes	no	good	2
yes	yes	None	150 00	118 00	118 00	yes	no	fair	4
yes	no	None	34 00	22 04	331 00	yes	no	good	5
yes	yes	171 75	3 00	171 75	185 40	no	no	fair	6
yes	yes	0 00	104 65	104 65	2,200 00	yes	yes	good	7
yes	yes	None	6 55	None	25 00	yes	yes	good	8
yes	no	None	None	None	39 50	no	no	fair	10
yes	None	None	None	22 44	100 00	no	no	good	11
yes	yes	102 30	87 15	195 50	150 00	yes	yes	fair	12
yes	yes	10 52	10 52	564 47	5,558 50	yes	yes	good	13
yes	yes	45 54	62 65	90 00	300 00	yes	no	good	14
yes	yes	24 61	16 00	107 80	None	yes	yes	fair	14
yes	yes	None	None	106 28	117 00	yes	yes	good	17
yes	no	None	None	87 61	552 00	no	no	good	19
yes	yes	674 00	73 15	765 80	10 00	no	no	fair	20
yes	no	None	60 00	None	200 00	yes	no	good	21
yes	yes	None	None	None	250 00	yes	no	fair	22
yes	yes	None	None	85 00	50 00	yes	no	good	23
yes	yes	5 00	20 00	27 11	60 00	no	no	poor	25
yes	no	None	None	21 20	50 00	yes	no	good	28
yes	no	None	4 75	33 22	100 00	yes	no	fair	29
yes	no	None	None	33 45	175 00	no	no	good	31
yes	no	None	None	34 00	100 00	no	no	good	32
yes	no	None	None	None	150 00	yes	no	good	33
yes	no	None	None	25 60	250 00	yes	no	good	34
yes	no	None	5 00	22 79	60 00	no	no	good	36
yes	no	None	1 00	33 00	10 00	yes	no	good	38
yes	no	None	None	38 88	5 00	no	no	good	39
yes	no	None	15 05	35 00	200 00	yes	no	fair	41
yes	no	None	60 00	10 00	25 00	yes	no	good	42
yes	no	None	34 50	45 74	250 00	yes	no	good	43
yes	no	None	2 00	10 00	20 00	no	no	poor	44
									45
									46
yes	yes	8 00	3 00	41 41	None	no	no	good	47
yes	no	None	6 40	121 00	10 00	no	no	fair	48
yes	no	None	None	None	10 00	no	no	fair	49
yes	no	None	10 00	8 00	34 50	no	yes	good	51
yes	no	None	46 65	65 25	35 29	yes	yes	good	53
yes	no	None	None	10 95	25 00	no	no	fair	54
yes	no	None	None	2 20	25 00	no	no	good	56
yes	no	None	None	75 20	250 00	yes	no	good	57
yes	no	None	4 00	30 35	20 50	yes	no	good	58
yes	no	None	None	2 19	10 00	no	no	fair	59
yes	no	None	None	4 32	10 00	no	no	good	60
									61
yes	no	None	None	1 37	40 00	yes	no	good	63
yes	no	None	2 00	46 10	10 00	yes	no	poor	64
yes	no	None	None	37 14	25 00	no	no	good	65
yes	no	None	None	19 55	40 00	no	no	good	67
yes	no	None	None	52 29	75 00	no	no	poor	67
yes	no	None	21 00	None	40 00	no	no	poor	69
yes	yes	11 30	24 70	148 70	350 00	yes	no	good	70
									71
									72
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75	Greenfield	47	fair	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
76	John A. Dix								
78	Col. Grover	100	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
79	Capt. Stanley	62	yes	partly	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
80	Rousseau								
81	L. W. Cooper	29	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
82	Yaeger-Sharp	36	fairly	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
84	Curtis	16	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
85	Lookout								
86	King City	54	yes	no	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes
88	C. G. Harker	33	yes	partly	no	yes	no	yes	yes
90	Capt. J. H. Paynter								
92	T. H. Richardson	17	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
96	Capt. C. C. Harvey	32	yes	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
97	Gen. G. B. Boomer	28	yes	partly	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes
100	Franklin Shanks								
102	Shelbyville	21	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
103	Chilhowee	78	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
104	Nichols	39	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
106	Arthur Crockett	30	fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
107	Harry P. Harding	170	yes	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes
108	Jeff. C. Davis	35	yes	no	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
109	B. K. Davis								
110	Wm. McKee	45	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
111	Miles Carroll								
115	Cameron Garrett	34	no	partly	partly	fair	fair	no	yes
118	Jewell	25	yes	partly	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes
119	Marion	65	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
120	Maple Grove	17	yes	no	partly	no	no	yes	yes
122	Virgil Rogers	23	yes	partly	partly	fair	fair	no	yes
124	Lieut. T. D. Neal	71	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
128	Salem	33	partly	partly	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes
129	Capt. J. H. Little	13	yes	no	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes
130	Fred Miller								
131	Ransom	500	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
133	Gardner								
134	Gentry	29	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
135	Sergt. B. H. Porch								
137	Gen. J. G. Foster								
141	Marionville	29	fair	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
142	Stephen Decatur	34	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
145	Sam'l McClure	42	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
146	Avalon								
149	J. J. Gravelly	41	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
150	Liberty	86	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
152	D. N. Keeler	42	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no
154	W. T. Kays								
155	Loyalty	29	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
158	Geo. Miller	45	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
160	Col. Henry E. Gilbert	24	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	fair	yes
161	Gen. Frank J. Herron	32	fair	partly	partly	fair	fair	fair	yes
162	Marshall	21	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
164	Col. Islam Keith	27	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
166	Menke	21	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
168	Jesse H. Moore	40	yes	no	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
170	Fillmore								
171	J. N. Whitehead	20	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes

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yes	no	None	None	None	\$7.47	\$50.00	no	no	good	75
yes	no	None	427.95	427.95	40.05	120.00	yes	yes	good	76
yes	no	None	84.30	84.30	47.00	40.00	no	no	fair	77
yes	yes	41.10	None	41.10	2.75	75.00	no	no	good	78
yes	no	None	27.75	27.75	2.75	75.00	no	no	good	79
yes	yes	49.92	None	49.92	57.14	3.00	no	no	fair	80
yes	no	None	None	None	16.98	21.00	no	no	fair	81
yes	yes	16.70	None	16.70	29.49	41.00	no	no	fair	82
yes	no	None	None	None	12.85	32.00	no	no	poor	83
yes	yes	5.54	None	5.54	18.37	20.00	no	no	fair	84
yes	no	None	None	None	9.52	100.00	no	yes	fair	85
yes	no	None	None	None	1.00	25.00	no	no	good	86
yes	no	None	None	None	None	5.00	no	no	bad	87
yes	no	None	None	None	10.00	75.00	no	no	fair	88
yes	no	None	None	None	20.00	15.00	no	no	good	89
yes	yes	452.08	None	452.08	718.79	150.00	yes	yes	good	90
yes	no	None	None	None	4.45	50.00	no	no	poor	91
yes	no	None	29.35	29.35	96.41	20.00	yes	no	good	92
yes	no	None	13.50	13.50	18.18	None	yes	no	good	93
yes	no	None	6.20	6.20	32.04	25.00	no	no	good	94
yes	no	None	None	None	None	171.00	no	no	good	95
yes	yes	5.00	3.50	5.00	5.00	10.00	no	no	poor	96
yes	yes	10.00	1.00	10.00	19.00	10.00	no	no	fair	97
yes	yes	35.40	None	35.40	21.75	318.00	no	no	fair	98
yes	no	None	20.00	20.00	10.00	200.00	no	no	good	99
yes	no	None	None	None	13.75	5.00	no	no	fair	100
yes	yes	38.27	25.34	63.61	469.56	811.60	yes	no	good	101
yes	no	None	10.00	10.00	5.00	50.00	yes	no	good	102
yes	no	None	None	None	4.27	635.00	yes	no	good	103
yes	no	None	25.00	25.00	11.00	300.00	yes	yes	good	104
yes	no	None	None	None	15.00	550.00	yes	no	good	105
yes	no	None	None	None	None	50.00	yes	no	good	106
yes	yes	97.32	40.50	137.82	448.43	75.00	no	no	good	107
yes	no	None	10.00	10.00	9.65	50.00	no	yes	good	108
yes	no	None	None	None	None	None	no	no	good	109
yes	no	None	2.00	2.00	35.00	100.00	yes	yes	good	110
yes	no	None	None	None	None	25.00	no	no	fair	111
yes	no	None	None	None	None	None	no	no	fair	112
yes	no	None	None	None	7.50	10.00	no	yes	good	113
yes	no	None	None	None	2.25	50.00	no	no	fair	114
yes	yes	20.00	None	20.00	20.00	10.00	no	no	fair	115
yes	no	None	3.00	3.00	6.56	25.00	yes	no	good	116
yes	no	None	None	None	19.58	600.00	no	no	good	117

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172	Gen. J. B. Steadman	42	fair	no	no	no	no	fair	yes
173	Justi	53	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
174	Maj. Hiram Gavitt	10	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
175	Seneca	33	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
176	Indian Springs								
177	W. H. L. Wallace	13	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
178	Stephen Estle	34	no	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
179	Capt. W. G. Murray	80	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
180	Stambaugh	38	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
181	Mansfield	52	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
182	Gen. Chester Harding	45	yes	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes
184	Erich Pape								
185	Major Hunt	30	yes	partly	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes
187	John A. Rawlins								
188	John D. Mullins								
189	Gen. Henry Wilson	24	no	partly	partly	no	no	yes	yes
190	W. B. Goodrich	27	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
194	Austin Hubbard	55	fair	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
197	Col. Morsey	40	yes	no	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
200	Rogersville	28	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
201	Bradshaw	15	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
206	Geo. N. McGee	22	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
207	Col. Brooks								
209	Edward Wray								
210	McCroskey	38	fair	partly	partly	fair	no	yes	yes
211	Isaac Clevenger								
212	Geo. Taylor								
213	Jas. A. K. Dillon	14	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
214	Sergt. Ryan	53	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
215	Picket	68	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
216	Cainsville								
217	Bennett Ford	10	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
218	John Williams								
219	Republic	28	no	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
220	Jamesport	12	yes	partly	partly	no	no	yes	yes
221	Norcross	38	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
222	S. L. Turley								
223	Reuben Dale	42	yes	yes	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
224	Guy Ward								
227	Col. Almstaedt								
229	Union	21	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
232	Lieut. S. A. M. George	45	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
233	Thos. J. Brouster	46	yes	yes	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
235	Gen. Fred D. Steele	34	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
236	U. S. Grant								
237	Farnsworth								
239	W. S. Hancock	38	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
240	Jno. A. Hayn	47	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
241	Galt	23	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
242	Pattonsburg								
243	Andy Smith	22	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
244	Fred Steele								
245	Jack Grant	20	no	no	no	no	fair	fair	yes
247	Jno. W. Rollins	26	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
249	Fordland								
250	Ulysses								
251	Col. Lennard	41	yes	partly	no	no	yes	fair	yes

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yes	no	None	\$9.50	\$24.00	\$50.00	yes	no	fair	172	
yes	no	None	4.00	36.31	300.00	yes	yes	fair	173	
yes	no	None	None	70	10.00	no	no	good	174	
yes	no	None	10.00	2.41	25.00	yes	yes	good	175	
yes	no	None	None	5.40	400.00	yes	no	good	176	
yes	no	None	43.50	45.00	383.00	no	no	poor	178	
yes	yes	\$11.73	None	23.17	65.00	no	yes	good	179	
yes	no	None	27.26	162.79	550.00	no	yes	good	180	
yes	no	None	30.45	3.82	150.00	yes	yes	fair	181	
yes	no	None	None	4.76	150.00	yes	yes	fair	182	
yes	yes	2.35	None	20.82	no	no	no	good	183	
yes	no	None	None	7.20	25.00	no	no	poor	185	
yes	no	None	None	None	50.00	yes	yes	fair	190	
yes	no	None	6.00	75	None	no	yes	poor	194	
yes	no	None	15.00	63.54	20.00	no	no	fair	197	
yes	no	None	15.00	60.25	25.00	no	no	fair	200	
yes	yes	17.64	13.31	66.77	75.00	no	no	fair	201	
yes	no	None	None	17.37	20.00	no	no	fair	206	
yes	no	None	None	2.05	25.00	yes	no	good	207	
yes	no	None	None	1.66	20.00	no	no	fair	209	
yes	no	None	None	55.00	10.00	no	yes	good	211	
yes	no	None	None	31.05	66.95	no	no	fair	212	
yes	no	None	None	1.00	5.00	no	no	poor	213	
yes	no	None	None	None	50.00	no	no	fair	218	
yes	yes	1.50	6.00	23.09	25.70	no	no	fair	219	
yes	yes	23.00	2.00	143.44	37.15	no	no	good	220	
yes	no	None	40.00	32.50	30.00	no	no	fair	221	
yes	no	None	10.00	6.00	10.00	yes	no	good	222	
yes	no	None	7.50	43.92	50.00	yes	no	good	223	
yes	no	None	None	46.00	60.00	no	no	poor	224	
yes	no	None	Nothing	5.40	no	no	no	good	225	
yes	no	None	None	9.20	100.00	no	no	good	226	
yes	no	None	7.15	435.95	20.00	no	no	fair	227	
yes	no	None	7.00	4.23	50.00	yes	no	fair	228	
yes	no	None	5.00	3.50	3.50	yes	no	good	229	
yes	no	None	2.00	15	10.00	no	no	fair	230	
yes	yes	3.95	251.00	17.90	no	yes	no	fair	231	
yes	no	None	None	2.73	50.00	yes	no	good	232	

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252	Mt. McGregor	38	fair	partly	few	no	fair	yes	yes
253	Mt. Pleasant	12	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
254	J. N. Hilton	51	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes
257	Jno. Boon								
258	Mitchell								
260	Blanchard								
261	Sergt.-Maj. McIntosh								
262	Johnson	13	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
263	Cuba	35	yes	yes	partly	fair	no	yes	yes
264	Morgan L. Smith	43	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
268	Pinhart	45	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
269	Sergt. Plummer	31	yes	no	no	fair	no	yes	yes
271	Baker	15	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
273	Difani	65	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
274	Norwood								
276	Henry Brown	115	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
277	Sevmour			No mee	ting in	two yea	rs. No	membe	rs in
278	John Kelsey	14	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
279	Edinburgh	12	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
280	A. J. Norton								
282	Wakefield Standley	41	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
283	Wakefield								
284	Geo. G. Bryan	30	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
285	Jim Carnes								
286	Chas. Sumner								
287	Warren	11	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
288	Thos. S. Staples								
289	Maj. Bartlett	14	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	
290	Fred. Hecker	29	yes	yes	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
291	Robt. McElroy								
293	Geo. Gamble	24	yes	no	partly	fair	no	yes	yes
294	Col. Geiger								
296	Capt. Blandowsky	17	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
297	John S. Phelps	43	yes	yes	partly	yes	no	yes	no
298	Stewartville								
299	C. A. Arthur	51	fairly	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
301	Capt. Chas. Demny	35	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
302	Negley	10	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
303	Bob. Ford	19	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
304	Jno. A. Logan	12	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
305	Ben. Grigsby								
311	Geo. W. Tyler								
312	Dan McCook	23	yes	partly	partly	fair	no	yes	yes
313	Wm. F. Lane								
314	Jno. D. Rohve	26	fairly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
316	Jordan Wilson								
317	Gen. Hunter	11	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
318	Jesse M. Harbin								
320	Capt. Manwaring	40	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
322	Capt. J. M. Baird	28	yes	partly	no	fair	no	yes	yes
324	Geo. V. Pitts								
326	Capt. J. Felix St. James	53	yes	partly	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes
327	Adram	20	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
328	Simpson Mason								
329	Gordon Granger	38	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
330	Jonah W. Reser	43	yes	partly	no	yes	no	yes	yes
331	Jno. P. McCluney	24	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes

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yes	yes	\$25 61	\$3 50	\$45 66	\$12 00	no	no	fair	252
yes	no	None	None	None	15 00	no	no	poor	253
yes	no	None	7 35	19 37	390 40	no	no	fair	254
									257
									258
									260
									261
yes	yes	56	None	7 20	5 00	no	no	good	262
yes	no	None	1 50	3 32	40 00	no	no	fair	263
yes	yes	None	None	None	200 00	yes	no	fair	264
yes	yes	None	None	10 50	None	no	no	fair	268
yes	no	None	None	19 20	164 50	no	no	poor	269
yes	no	None	None	Nothing	10 00	no	yes	fair	271
yes	yes	81 07	None	8 28	75 00	no	yes	fair	273
									274
yes	good	None	25 00	24 70	15 00	no	no	fair	276
yes	standing	None	None	None	8 50	no	no	dead	277
yes	yes	None	None	1 11	400 00	no	no	fair	278
yes	no	None	None	None	400 00	no	yes	good	279
									280
yes	no	None	Nothing	2 45	69 00	no	no	fair	282
									283
yes	no	None	None	Nothing	35 00	no	no	fair	284
									285
									286
yes	no	None	None	None	buried	yes	no	good	287
									288
yes	no	None	None	3 03	50 00	no	no	poor	289
yes	no	None	2 50	31 10	50 00	no	no	fair	290
									291
yes	no	None	None	24 31	230 10	no	yes	poor	293
									294
yes	no	None	None	Nothing	10 00	no	no	poor	296
yes	no	None	2 00	17 72	45 00	yes	no	good	297
									298
yes	no	None	3 75	47 88	1,000 00	no	no	good	299
yes	no	None	None	110 45	81 45	no	no	good	301
yes	no	None	None	2 29	None	no	no	good	302
yes	no	None	None	Nothing	Nothing	no	no	good	303
yes	no	None	None	2 40	20 10	no	no	poor	304
									305
									311
yes	no	None	5 30	2 05	None	no	no	fair	312
									313
yes	no	None	2 50	42 66	50 00	no	yes	good	314
									316
yes	no	None	5 75	10 00	35 00	no	no	poor	317
									318
yes	yes	62 60	11 00	35 40	40 00	no	no	good	320
yes	no	None	None	Nothing	45 00	no	yes	poor	322
									324
yes	yes	61 25	25 50	79 40	125 00	no	no	good	326
yes	no	None	None	3 52	17 00	no	no	poor	327
									328
yes	yes	12 79	2 00	22 20	42 75	yes	no	fair	329
yes	no	None	None	7 07	100 00	no	no	poor	330
yes	no	None	5 00	8 00	None	no	no	poor	331

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332	Jas. W. Owens	51	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
333	Gen. Jas. H. Hart								
335	H. G. Blake								
337	James Ward	33	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
339	Houston	41	yes	yes	partly	yes	no	no	yes
340	Evans	21	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
342	Sergt. L. J. Roach								
343	Col Shaw	69	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
344	Franz Wilhelmi								
345	Jesse Owens	29	fair	no	no	fair	no	yes	yes
346	Iron	17	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
347	Levi F. Pennington								
348	Henry C. Beckett								
350	Capt. Jas. Johnson								
352	Pardee								
354	Sergt. P. P. Mabrey								
355	Dixon								
356	Zincite								
358	R. L. Ferguson	40	no	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
359	Splitlog								
360	Dan'l Miles	21	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
362	Sac River	42	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
365	Appleton	18	yes	partly	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes
366	Upton	27	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
367	Maj. Witherspoon	22	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
368	Jno. T. Wilson								
370	Sam'l Lewis								
371	Rocky Comfort	25	no	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
373	Col. Putnam								
374	R. P. Carnes	27	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
375	Harwood	30	yes	no	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
377	Capt. J. W. Robertson	35	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
379	Capt. Tom Walker	29	yes	partly	partly	no	no	yes	yes
382	Commerce	23	fair	partly	partly	no	no	yes	yes
383	Jas. A. Dollans	15	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
384	Dawn	29	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
385	Long Lane								
386	Albert Harrison	31	yes	partly	partly	no	yes	yes	yes
387	Marceline	24	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
390	Jacob Yount								
391	Pike	32	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
392	Southwest City	20	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
393	Capt. J. A. Bowers	24	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
397	Brookline	13	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
398	Phil. Sheridan								
402	Capt. L. F. Bierwirth								
405	Durbin A. Ward	17	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
406	Corp. Doke								
407	Conway	34	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
408	Col. Kregel	25	yes	yes	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
409	John Shelton	12	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	no
410	John H. Kendall								
411	Capt. Kelsoc		no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
412	Downing	17	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
414	David Hewitt								
416	Tiff City	8	fair	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
417	Smithton								

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yes	yes	\$60 85	\$15 05	\$150 85	\$50 00	no	no	fair	332
									333
									334
yes	no	None	11 25	1 16	50 00	yes	no	good	337
yes	no	None	None	None	8 50	no	no	good	339
yes	no	None	21 00	28 00	26 00	no	no	poor	340
									342
yes	no	None	6 00	79	215 00	yes	yes	good	343
									344
yes	yes	9 00	None	1 18	6 00	no	no	good	345
yes	no	None	None	None	20 00	no	yes	bad	346
									347
									348
									349
									350
									351
									352
									353
									354
									355
									356
yes	no	None	8 50	1 10	20 00	no	no	fair	358
									359
yes	no	None	2 75	2 00	None	no	no	fair	360
yes	no	None	None	2 00	21 60	no	no	flattering	362
yes	no	None	None	2 75	6 00	no	yes	fair	365
yes	no	None	None	18 50	50 00	no	yes	fair	366
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	poor	367
									368
									369
no	no	None	None	None	224 00	no	yes	fair	371
									373
yes	no	None	None		554 01	no	no	fair	374
yes	no	None	Nothing	3 25	25 00	yes	no	good	375
yes	no	None	Nothing	9 35	35 00	no	no	good	377
yes	yes	287 50	14 75	49 40	152 27	no	no	poor	379
yes	no	None	10 10	15 00	no	no	no	fair	382
yes	yes	5 10	4 00	1 05	None	no	no	poor	383
yes	no	None	None	1 40	35 60	no	no	fair	384
									385
yes	no	None	19 00	6 50	30 00	no	no	fair	386
yes	no	None	17 50	20 00	20 00	yes	no	fair	387
									390
yes	no	None	None	1 40	150 00	no	no	fair	391
yes	no	None	6 00	11 40	15 00	no	no	good	392
yes	no	None	None	2 75	10 00	no	no	fair	393
yes	no	None	None	2 84	5 00	no	no	fair	397
									398
									402
yes	no	None	None	60 00	25 00	yes	no	good	405
									406
yes	no	None	9 00	21 02	10 00	no	no	good	407
yes	no	None	None	15 15	None	no	no	poor	408
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	poor	409
									410
yes	no	None	None	None	25 00	no	no	poor	411
yes	no	None	5	5 57	20 00	no	no	good	412
									414
yes	no	None	None	15 00	None	no	no	improving	416
									417

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418	Sergt. Clay Shaw	24	yes	no	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
420	Fred. Roether	28	yes	no	partly	no	no	yes	yes
421	C. pt. Bradway	19	yes	no	partly	no	no	yes	yes
423	Florence								
424	Col. A. J. Webber	16	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
425	Wm. Hawkins								
426	Hunnell								
428	Thos. Gordon	33	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no
429	John V. Hoover	50	yes	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
430	Holt	20	yes	yes	yes	yes	fair	yes	yes
441	Jos. S. Wray	8	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
432	Columbia								
433	David D. Porter	29	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
434	J. B. Wicker	25	no	no	no	no	no	no	no
435	Thos. Shelton	23	yes	no	no	no	no	no	yes
436	Jos. A. Mower								
437	Simon Cameron	19	yes	partly	partly	no	no	yes	yes
439	C. M. Anderson								
440	Gen. Hazen								
441	Alton								
442	Hume								
444	Elwood Miller	37	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
446	Obediah Gray								
447	Capt. Bauer	18	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
449	Fair Grove								
450	David Reeves								
452	Tipton								
453	E. E. Kimball	28	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
454	Calhoun								
455	McClain								
456	DeKalb	13	yes	partly	partly	fair	no	yes	yes
457	Warren T. Stewart								
458	Col. J. P. Brownlow	12	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
459	Jno. Whaling	15	fair	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
491	Capt. J. S. Robb	13	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
462	Ephraim Gaither	23	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
464	Capt. Mace								
465	Louis Duemler	28	yes	no	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
466	Vandalia								
467	Seaman								
468	Maj. Leonard	26	yes	yes	yes	fair	good	yes	yes
469	Lieut. Brooks								
470	Gen. Geo. Crook								
471	Ethel								
472	Callaway								
473	L. A. Weathermon		yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
475	Gov. Andrew								
477	Sumner								
478	New Union	35	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
479	T. R. Lane	25	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
480	Gen. Hampton								
481	Goulding	18	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
482	John C. Fremont								
484	W. D. Porter								
485	Geo. B. McClellan								
487	Dillard Bell	12	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
488	L. Stevenson	17	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes

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yes	no	None	\$8 00	\$10 00	\$13 00	yes	yes	fair	418
yes	no	None	9 20	9 00	None	no	no	only fair	420
yes	no	None		2 20		no	no	fair	421
									423
yes	no	None	None	19 50	20 00	no	no	fair	424
									425
									426
yes	no	None	None	15 87	50 00	no	no	poor	428
yes	no	None	27 27	22 61	7 60	no	no	fair	429
yes	yes	None	14 70	None	10 00	no	no	good	430
yes	no	None	None	None	25 00	no	no	bad	431
									432
yes	no	None	6 30	None	10 65	yes	no	fair	433
no	no	None	None	Nothing	Nothing	no	no	bad	434
yes	no	None	None	Nothing	Nothing	no	no	poor	435
									436
yes	yes	\$3 00	None	2 46	10 00	no	no	good	437
									439
									440
									441
									442
yes	no	None	14 00	18 60	250 00	yes	yes	good	444
									446
yes	no	None	25	16 00	20 00	no	no	good	447
									449
									450
									452
yes	yes	10 00	59 50	31 25	None	no	no	fair	451
									454
									455
yes	no	None	None	None	25 00	no	no	not good	456
									457
yes	no	None	2 15	2 57	30 00	no	no	gloomy	458
yes	no	None	None	7 60	100 00	no	no	not good	459
yes	no	None	None	3 13	14 00	no	no	gloomy	461
yes	no	None	19 00	18 25	10 00	yes	no	good	462
									464
yes	no	None	None	8 45	25 00	no	no	fair	465
yes	no	None	None	39 71	10 00	no	no	fair	466
									467
yes	no	None	1 35	None	50 00	no	no	good	468
									469
									470
									471
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	poor	472
									473
									475
									477
yes	no	None	None	17 04	15 00	no	no	good	478
yes	no	None	None	30	50 00	no	no	better	479
									480
yes	no	None	None	5 10	100 00	no	no	fair	481
									482
									484
									485
yes	no	None	None	8 50	20 00	yes	no	not good	487
yes	yes	21 50	4 00	44 70	17 00	no	no	good	488

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489	Maj. Ennis								
490	W. W. Leggett								
492	Eagle	29	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
493	Freeland								
494	Jas. H. Fort								
495	E. D. Brown								
496	Col. Neumann	121	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
498	Maj. Montgomery								
499	Jno. S. Miller								
504	Monroe Lee	15	fair	no	no	no	no	fair	partly
505	Col. P. Cornyn	15	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
506	Jno. Tietjen	49	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
507	Maj. Worthington	22	no	no	no	fair	no	yes	yes
509	Isaac Smith								
510	Whitesville	16	no	no	partly	yes	no	yes	no
511	Gen. Buford								
512	Harrison A. Gleim	46	yes	no	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
514	Jesse Turnage	37	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
515	Liberal	42	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
516	J. H. Crenshaw	37	yes	no	no	fair	no	yes	yes
517	Parnell City	17	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	no	yes
519	Jno. Martin								
520	F. M. Slagle								
521	Papinsville								
524	Drexel								
525	Geo. W. Murphy	39	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
526	Geo. W. Walker	16	yes	partly	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
529	Ben. Lewis								
530	Adjt. Pratt								
531	Belmont								
532	Flag Springs								
534	Sergt. Welch								
536	Aldrich								
537	Tecumseh	26	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
539	Tilman Smith								
540	J. H. Weirich	23	fair	yes	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
542	W. H. Harrison	17	yes	no	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
543	S. S. Bell	11	yes	no	partly	fair	fair	yes	yes
544	Gen. J. M. Rusk	11	no	yes	partly	no	no	yes	yes
545	Ridgeway	13	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
546	T. J. Hampton	10	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
548	Wm. A. Mills	19	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no
549	Col. Jno. A. Davis	26	fair	no	no	yes	fair	no	no
550	Seligman	18	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
551	Blythedale	29	yes	no	no	yes	fair	yes	yes
552	Denver	12	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
553	E. L. Van Zandt	19	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
554	Gatsweiler	30	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
555	Urich	17	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
556	Chas. T. Ernst	17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
557	L. B. Hutchison								
558	Garretson								
559	Gen. A. J. Smith	18	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
560	Jas. A. Hill	16	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
561	A. C. Marvin	17	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes

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									489
yes	no	None	None	\$27 97	\$2 00	no	no	good	490
									492
									493
									494
									495
yes	no	None	\$28 70	\$53 23	\$75 00	yes	no	fair	496
									498
									499
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	poor	504
yes	no	None	None	10 70	40 00	no	no	poor	505
yes	yes	\$10 45	5 00	17 80	14 00	no	no	good	506
yes	no	None	Nothing	Nothing	38 50	no	no	poor	507
									509
no	no	None	None	61	100 00	no	no	poor	510
									511
yes	yes	1 50	9 40	4 45	17 50	yes	no	good	512
yes	no	None	2 00	None	50 00	no	no	good	514
yes	yes	11 30	30	17 10	75 00	yes	no	good	515
yes	no	None	None	2 38	70 00	yes	no	good	516
yes	yes	10 25	30 75	108 00	30 00	no	no	fair	517
									519
									520
									521
									522
yes	no	None	2 00	28 43	20 00	no	no	good	525
yes	no	None	4 30	5 30	75 00	yes	no	fair	526
									529
									530
									531
									532
									534
									535
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	good	537
									539
yes	no	None	None	None	20 00	no	no	poor	540
yes	no	None	4 75	3 75	10 00	no	yes	not good	542
yes	no	None	None	2 25	no	no	no	fair	543
yes	yes	22 34	None	22 34	47 00	yes	no	poor	544
yes	no	None	2 50	1 46	25 00	no	no	poor	545
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	fair	546
yes	yes	None	1 45	5 50	6 00	no	no	bad	548
yes	no	None	5 00	None	None	no	no	good	549
yes	no	None	None	None	7 00	no	no	good	550
yes	no	None	None	42 90	225 00	no	no	good	551
yes	no	None	None	4 06	3 31	no	no	fair	552
yes	no	None	None	17 15	30 00	no	no	good	553
yes	no	None	None	None	None	yes	yes	fair	554
yes	no	None	None	2 35	None	no	no	good	555
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	good	556
									557
									558
yes	no	None	None	13 04	30 00	no	yes	good	559
yes	no	None	None	2 80	25 00	no	no	good	560
yes	no	None	None	3 50	None	no	no	good	561

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF MISSOURI, G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN, }
 1909 N. GRAND AVE., ST. LOUIS, April 15, 1898. }

Commander J. P. Platt and Comrades:

In the good providence of God, the Great Commander, we have closed up the campaigning of another G. A. R. year, and have now met to exchange greetings, re-arrange our forces, take command and go out to another year's work in the lines of our Order.

The past year has been one of peculiar hardships to the good G. A. R. man. An oppressive financial pressure has been crushing the life out of our people, while a political strife has been waged in our nation, whose life the G. A. R.'s bled, or died, to save. We are not politicians, but we are patriots, and it was hard sometimes to restrain vigorous action, along lines that appeared to us just and necessary. But I am glad to say that our comrades conducted themselves heroically, as they did on many other hotly-contested battle fields. Commander, we should stop a moment and stand in silence, and drop a tear over the memory of some of our comrades who went out with us a year ago but have not returned to greet us on this happy occasion. They have been detailed by the Great Commander, and are now silently bivouacking with the dead! As our ranks are year by year being thinned, it behooves us to close up quickly and march on to duty in true soldierly conduct. Certain we are that our comrades will be detailed more frequently in the future than in the past to report in the great camping ground above. Let us be ready, with armor bright, to respond. I desire, Commander and comrades, to thank you one and all for the great and uniform kindness shown the chaplain in the discharge of his duty.

I have not only striven to do the duty assigned by the ritual, but also as a minister of the gospel, to so conduct the affairs of the office so that comrades might acknowledge the duty they owe to the Great Commander above. For that Command I have striven to act as a recruiting officer. During the year I have been, by the kindness of the Commander, asked to visit various parts of the Department, and thus assist in arousing the spirit of true comradeship, and strengthening the bonds of our noble Order. I have taken great pleasure in this work, and permit me to say that I think the good of our Order imperatively demands a free and general mingling of the Department Officers among the Posts and com-

rades over the bounds of the Department. I am glad to observe a growing appreciation of these G. A. R. gatherings. They are becoming the most popular in the land. They are great schools of patriotism! They do great good! Let them be held in every part of our State, and receive the hearty support of our Order. Once, it was difficult to get speakers outside of our own Order to address these audiences. Not so now! Ministers, doctors, lawyers, politicians, teachers, all everywhere, and at all times, are only too glad to get an invitation to appear before a G. A. R. audience. They are the largest they can find. Once, flowers were hard to be had for Decoration day; not so now! They are now freely offered, and even brought and laid down at our feet with an humble bow! No such gatherings all the year around as the G. A. R. mustering!

Many a pulpit preached the gospel of the Son of God to the people on the Sabbath we especially set apart for the commemoration of the memory of our heroic dead. It is not now called *sacrilege* to do so! I think the moral and patriotic influence of these gatherings has not been equalled by any in the history of our nation! Let them continue to be even more beneficial. My observation is, that many more Posts have observed these days than formerly and have so reported to their headquarters. I would encourage all to do so the coming year and report fully the result.

This office has come into possession of the following statistics:

Posts having reported to these headquarters	350
Posts having Decoration Day exercises	300
Posts having Memorial Day exercises	290
Number of comrades attending	8,000
W. R. Corps participating	40
Members of W. R. C. participating	300
Number of cemeteries decorated	400
Number of graves decorated, about	20,000
Cost of these exercises	\$2,000

These figures only approximately show the growing popularity of these gatherings, under the auspices of the G. A. R., in this Department.

Now, Commander and comrades, permit me to thank you for the high honor you conferred on me by permitting me to serve you in this capacity. If I have in any way assisted you in your noble purposes, I am glad. If I have in any way failed, please do me the credit of saying that it was of head and not of the heart.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

Commander and comrades: It is a matter in which we all greatly rejoice, that Missouri has a Home at last, in which the old comrade and his faithful wife can go and find a comfortable shelter in the end of

DEATH ROLL, DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., 1897.

No. Post.	NAMES OF SOLDIERS.	Age.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1	Krumsick, Geo	60	2d Lieut	B	Mo. Art. Bat	Rheumatic gout.
	Mason, J. H	75	Sergeant	A	11th Wis. Inf	Senile debility.
	Jenks, F. M	61	Ass't Enc		Miss. Squad U.S.N	Cerebral hemorrhage.
	Smith, A. J	82	Maj. Gen		U. S. A	Cerebral apoplexy.
	Baldwin, Albert	49	Private	M	Ohio H. Art	Accident.
	Richardson, J. M	61	Private	B	1st Mass. Cav	Pneumonia.
	Hurst, Stephen	73	Private	B	15th Mo. Inf	Diabetes mellites.
	Heuke, Edward	70	Captain	F	2d U. S. R. C., Mo.	Bright's disease.
	Father, Nicholas	65	Private	C	8th Mo. Inf	Cerebral hemorrhage.
	Curtis, F. S	66	Lieut. Col.	F	127th Ill. Inf	Diabetes mellites.
	Ridgeway, W. S	48	Private	K	188th Ohio Inf	Hepatitis.
	Zumsteg, Jos	60	Sergeant	E	1st U. S. R. C., Mo.	Rheum. pericarditis.
	Sunkle, Wm	60	Private	H	12th Mo. Inf	Abscess of liver.
	Cunningham, R. F	58	Private	E	2d Ill. Cav	Hoemoptisis.
	Obermuler, H	67	Captain		5th U. S. R. C., Mo.	Endocarditis.
	Rowland, Richard	63	Private	E	1st Mo. Lt. Art	Cancer of liver.
	Baumert, Frank	55	Private	C	22nd Ohio Inf	Bright's disease.
4	Duncan, Nat. E		Adjutant		12th Ia. Vol. Inf	
	Lightle, H. P	52	Private	G	7th Mo. Vol. Cav	Apoplexy.
	O'Sullivan, Eugene	68	Private	K	18th Mo. Vol. Inf	
	Tallmann, Wm	67	Private	K	36th Ill. Inf	Kidney disease.
	Brickly, J. H	53	Corporal	B	2nd N. Y. Vol. C	Typhoid fever.
6	Crandal, Jno	63	Private	E	10th Mo. Cav	General debility.
	Schaer, Jno	64	Private	B	3d Ind Bat'l	Rheumatism.
	Henry, Francis	65	Private	E	10th Mo. Cav	
	Raithal, Adam	56	Private	G	10th Mo. Cav	Rheum. of heart.
	Kretz, Fred. F	83	Private	B	1st M. M., U. S. C.	General debility.
8	Stuart, Chas	58	Captain			Fever.
	Gerner, Edward	64	Private	A	7th Ky.	
10	Minter, J. B	57	Private	F	12th Ky. Inf	
	Hudson, Wm. F	55	Captain	A	12th Ky. Inf	
13	Bleisner, Wm	64	Private	C	40th Mo. Inf	Paralysis.
	Kleders, Joseph	52	Private	M & B	2d Mo. Lt. Art	Consumption.
	Zesch, Morte	62	Private	D	4th Mo. Inf	Dropsy.
	Kroth, Casper	62	Private	M	1st U. S. R. C.	Paralysis.
	Pfeffer, Jacob	77	Private	G	4th Mo. Cav	Heart failure.
	Blosser, Seb	74	Private	C	4th Mo. Cav. & 1st U.S.R.C.	Gunshot wound.
	Zanto, Robt	63	Private	C & G	4th Mo. Cav. & 2d U.S.R.C.	Typhoid fever.
	Stager, Fred.	73	Private	E & G	4th Mo. Cav	Pneumonia.
	Drewning, Louis	61	Private	A	1st U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
	Fleck, Jno	68	Private	C	4th U. S. R. C.	Pneumonia.
	Rattinger, R	61	Surgeon		40th Mo. Inf	Cirrhosis liver.
	Suda, Anton	69	Private	A	1st U. S. R. C.	Dropsy.
	Spengler, G	57	Private	A	3d Mo. Inf	Heart failure.
	Schray, C	58	Private	D	17th Mo. Inf	La Grippe.
	Sommerhauser, C	56	Private	A	1st U. S. R. C.	Pneumonia.
	Burhardt, S	68	Private	I	1st Mo. Inf	Consumption.
	Dette, F. W	71	Captain	A	1st N. S. P. C.	Gunshot wound.
	Hellage, R	72	Private	I	5th Mo. Inf	Pneumonia.
	George, Henry	74	Sergeant	E	2d U. S. R. C.	Senility.
	Bamberger, Phil	56	Private	A	3d Mo. Inf	Cancer.
	Brockman, H	72	Private	C	4th Mo. Inf	La Grippe.
14	Ward, Geo. W	55	Corporal	B	29th Mich. Inf	Disease of bowel.
	Graber, John	65	Musician	A	54th Ill. Inf	Consumption.
	Galbroth, R. L	59	Private	L	14th Pa. Cav	General debility.
16	Whittemore,	80	Private			Senility.
17	Martin, J. G	54	Private	B	25th W. Va. Inf	
	Eakin, R. S	69	Sergeant	C	6th Ill. Cav	
23	Koun, John	87	Private	B	22d Mo. Inf	Army disabilities.
	McMurphy, E. F	61	Captain	B	27th U. S. C	Army disabilities.
25	Robinson, Chas	82	Corporal	C	25th Ia.	General disabilities.
	Grimm, Jno	60	Private	L	5th Ia.	
	Clayton, T. E	49	Private	A	47th Wis. Inf	Accident.
	Graham, J	67	Private	C	6th Mo. Inf	Heart disease.
32	Jones, Daniel	65	Private	E	184th Pa. Inf	Cancer.
34	Fitzpatrick, P	66	Private	I	10th Mo. Inf	General debility.

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42	Finney, Benj.	52	Private	D	18th U. S. Cav	
47	Leas, Frank	62	Private	I	2d Mo. P. M	
45	Huiatt, Geo	53	Private	F	4th Cav. M. S. W	Suicide.
51	Stanger, Louis	61	Private	B	7th Cav. M. S. W	Stroke.
	Scherter, Henry	76	Private	K	8th Cav. M. S. W	General debility.
54	Wycoff, John	82	Captain	D	1st Cav. M. S. W	Old age.
58	Buck, W. G	75	Private	E	15th Ia. Inf	Chronic diarrhea.
	Davis, E. L	65	Private	F	36th Ia. Inf	Apoplexy.
64	Kerchner, Ben	52	Private	B	77th Pa	Bright's disease.
69	Byers, L. M	65	1st Lieut.	I	2d Ia. Inf	General debility.
	Moses, Philip	54	Private	L	8th Mo. Cav	General debility.
	Smith, J. B	55	Private	K	53d N. Y. Inf	General debility.
82	Whitehead, Geo	74	Private	D	9th M. S. M	Paralysis.
	Reusch, Gustav	60	Musician		2d Mo. Art	Heart disease.
	Stetson, H. R	60	Captain	E	22d Wis	Bright's disease.
81	Smith, Mont	65	Private	F	8th Ky. Cav	Softening of brain.
97	Ferguson, Jas	58	Private	D	33d Mo	Cancer stomach.
	Garin, Gabriel	78	Private		Home Guards	Killed.
	Simmons, Jules	72	Private		Home Guards	Lockjaw.
	Nelgen, Henry	73	Private	H	26th Mo. Inf	Heart disease.
107	McBride, Daniel	69	Private	F	123d Pa. Inf	Dropsy.
	Schroder, Earnest	62	Private		5th Mo. Bat'l	Bright's disease.
	Mayer, M	71	Private	F	5th M. S. R. C	Heart failure.
	Hasemever, Wm	66		A	— Mo	Asthma.
	Kruse, Wm	72	Private	I	1st Mo. Cav	Apoplexy.
	Wippa, Alb	67	Private	D	9th Ill. Inf	Hemorrhoids.
	Finmer, H	65	Private		U. S. Marine	Dropsy.
110	Morrison, Jno	55	Private	I	30th Ia. Inf	Stomach disease.
	Webb, James	71	Private	H	21st Mo. Inf	
	Sanson, G. N	63	Sergeant	B	83d Ill. Inf	Heart disease.
	Morse, W. D	71	Private		35th Ill. Inf	Heart disease.
	Newman, Jno	75	Private	D	6th Ohio	
115	Riggen, John	80	Sergeant	C	1st Mo	Chronic cystitis.
128	Fischer, Louis	54	1st Lieut.	K	74th Pa	Dropsy.
131	Smith, O. M	51	Private	B	83d Pa. Inf	Railroad accident.
	Jones, J. N	48	Private	B	36th Mo. Inf	Railroad accident.
	Power, J. M	68	Colonel		76th Pa. Inf	Pneumonia.
	Atkinson, W	69	Private	C	40th Mo. Inf	Cancer.
	Hodgen, I. G	67	Captain	A	99th Mo	Rheum. and heart dis.
	Canfield, Jno	61	Sergeant	F	4th U. S. Cav	Uremia.
	Blanchard, Thos	59	Engineer		U. S. N	Cancer.
	Fullerton, J. S		Brig.-Gen.		U. S. V	Accident.
	Lee, B. D	58	Captain		A. C. S	Heart disease.
	Powers, E. M	61	Surgeon		U. S. V	Heart disease.
134	Cannon, John	57	Private	A	1st M. S. M	Cancer.
150	Ewing, James	63	Private	B	5th Kan. Cav	Killed.
	Eggleston, W	61	Private	H	4th Pro. M. M	Jaundice.
	Williams, T. H	63	Private	C	23d Mo	Consumption.
161	Bannon, G. W	56	Lieutenant	I	16th Mo. Cav	Inflammation bowels.
168	Gorty, J. H. A	59	Sergeant	D	7th Ill. Inf	Paralysis.
172	Farthing, E. S	72	Private	D	99th Ill. Inf	Old age.
178	Fish, Samuel	77	Private	F	18th Mo. Inf	Old age.
180	Coles, Jacob	63	Private	B	34th Ia	Disease of bowels.
	Bathurst, R. A	55	Surgeon		148th Ill	Apoplexy.
186	Couch, J. W	78	Private	E	11th Mo	General debility.
	Mayhall, Jeff. A	68	Musician		2d Ia	Bright's disease.
194	Woods, J. G	77		I	46th Ind	Kidney disease.
197	Verstager, Garrett	73	Private	C	Mo. Inf	General debility.
219	Wilkinson, Wm	75	Private	E	6th Mo	Paralysis.
221	Hendricks, G. W	66	Private	B	31st Pa	Rheum. and pleurisy.
229	Kilbee, J. I	53	Private	B	49th Mo	Typhoid fever.
232	Dewers, David W	82	Corporal	A	15th Mo. Cav	Softening of brain.
240	George, D. C	76	Private	F	120th Ohio Inf	Cancer.
	Hoflander, P	58	Corporal	I	9th M. S. M	Consumption.
	Whitehurse, F	57	Corporal	F	4th Ohio Cav	Pneumonia.
	Cassell, Daniel	74	Private	F	58th Ill. Inf	General debility.

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244	Foster, L. S.	63	Private			Heart failure.
251	Burns, E. M.	58	2d Lieut	H	16th Ky	Heart disease.
268	Lutcher, Gandens	73	Private	B	46th E. M. M	Bright's disease.
	March, Seth.	60	Captain	D	51st Ind	Pneumonia.
269	Mapes, H. J.	70	Private		72d E. M. M	
276	Bratter, Wm. P.	55	Private	B	6th Pa. H. Art.	
298	Duncan, J. N.	66	Private	E	26th Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
	Hay, Matthew	58	Private	K	11th Mo. Inf.	Pneumonia.
297	Thucida, L.	64	Private	F	8th N. Y. Inf.	
	Price, W. A.		Corporal	C	14th Vermont	
304	Stevenson, J. D.	75	Bt. Maj Gen		U. S. Vol	Bright's disease.
312	Byrum, A. R.	58	Private		15th Kan. Cav	Obstruction of bowels.
	Bailey, A. H.	68	Corporal	F	8th Mo. S. M. Cav	Paralysis.
314	Sarhagen, Hermon	63	Private	B	50th Mo	Pneumonia.
	Schultze, Walter	50	Private	B	50th Mo	Pneumonia.
317	McKeel, Jno. B.	77	Private	E	82d Ind	
326	Miller, John	66	Private	K	5th Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
331	Cain, Wm.	80	Private		77th Mo. S. M	
	Goring, Henry	75	Private		45th Mo	
340	Allen, Wm. C.	56	Corporal	C	3d Mo. Cav	Accident.
	Griffith, H. E.					
860	Dixon, Cyrus	60	Private	A	33d Ohio Inf	Heart disease.
	Lydings, J. W.	82	Captain	H	28th Ky. Inf.	Old age.
362	Cantrell, W. C.	62	Corporal	I	15th Mo. Cav	Heart failure.
365	Bohnert, Chas	54	Private			Heart disease.
367	Lutes, E. M.	73	Private	E	60th E. M. M	
371	Zike, Jacob	65	Private	E	9th Kan. Cav	
	Smith, W. W.	69	Corporal	H	6th Mo. I. C.	La Grippe.
	McMillon, A.	74	Private	B	48th Mo	Heart disease.
374	Murphy, John W	58	Sergeant	B	75th Ohio	Pneumonia.
375	Trotter, W. C.	49	Private	B	8th Ill. Inf.	Accident.
377	Kissenger, A. J.	55	Private	F	24th Mo. Inf.	Heart disease
391	Davidson, John	60	Private	I	151st Ill. Inf.	
407	Adkinson, S.	63				Dropsy.
411	Hall, Benj					Accident.
423	Spearman, Z	66	Sergeant	E	— Mo. H. G.	La Grippe.
	Beard, F. M.	51	Private	K	49th Mo	Pneumonia.
429	Davis, W. S.	76	2d Lieut	F	74th E. M. M.	La Grippe.
	Guinn, J. R.	56	Private	C	15th Mo. Cav.	Lung and heart disease
	Pendegratt, C. J.	56	Private	C	28th E. M. M.	Asthma.
434	O'Halloran, T.	71	Major		9th P. M. M	Accident.
442	Sherman, S.		Private	A	33d Ill	Apoplexy.
462	Cuff, David	67	Private	H	1st Tenn. Cav	
482	Norcross, J. A.	62	Private	G	38th Ia. Inf.	Pneumonia.
488	Miller, W. C.	60	Private	E	25th Wis. Cav	Heart failure.
492	Woods, I. E.	5	Private	E	12th Ill. Cav	Exposure in service.
496	Werder, Jno	59	Private	C	15th Mo. Inf.	Strang. hernia.
	Herbster, Jacob	70	Private		1st U. S. R. C.	Senility.
	Depelbauer, C.	76	Private	D	1st U. S. R. C.	Senility.
	Kreidemaker, J.	76	Corporal	A	3d Mo. Inf.	Pneumonia
514	Riddle, F. S.	50	Private	G	14th W. Va.	Chronic diarrhea.
	Bronson, A.	47	Corporal	A	139th Ind	Overdose laudanum.
540	Weirick, Fred	72	Private	C	26th Mo. Inf.	Bright's disease.
	Matthias, Herman	57	Private	I	3d Mo. Inf.	Heart disease.
542	Hanes, Allen M.	62	Private	I	50th Mo. Inf.	Consumption.
544	Goodrich, G. M.	49	Private			Paralysis.
546	Martin, S. N.	52	Private	C	60th Ohio	Paralysis.
548	Comce, Jacob	60	Private	D	6th M. S. M	Cancer.
553	Catral, Wesley	52	Private	C	33d Ia. Inf.	Shot.
	Chandler, C. B.	54	Private		1st N. Y. Cav	Pneumonia.
549	Hix, Wm	67	Sergeant	K	81st Ind.	Senile debility.
554	Moerler, Henry	69	Private	D	1st B. M. J. Cav.	

The Assistant Adjutant General then read the following report of the Judge Advocate :

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT OF MO., G. A. R. }
OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE. }
KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 12, 1898. }

JNO. P. PLATT, Department Commander, St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Comrade: I herewith submit my report for the past year. The duties of the office, let it be said to the credit of the Department, have not been arduous, and the courtesy of the comrades generally, as well as the Department Commander and A. A. General, with whom I have had most to deal, has made my position a pleasant one rather than otherwise.

The first request for my services was from Greenfield Post No. 75, as follows: "B. Fzell, fifty-four years old, native of Green county, Tenn., applied September 25th, 1897, for membership in this Post. He was in Confederate army in spring of 1862, involuntarily. In fall of 1862 he deserted and came into Federal lines, and engaged in driving a government team until September 8, 1864, when he was assigned to Company E, First Regiment, ———, Q. M. Department. February 20, 1865, he was recommended and commissioned by governor of Tennessee to raise a company in the Tenth Tennessee Cavalry Volunteers, but they were never mustered, and disbanded, of course, without receiving discharge. Is he eligible to membership in the Grand Army of the Republic?"

Answer: No. In addition to the certain indispensable and positive requisites or qualifications for membership set forth in Article IV, Chapter 1, Rules and Regulations, said article proceeds to restrict their qualifying power by the negative and disqualifying clause that "No person shall be eligible to membership who has at *any* time borne arms against the United States."

This provision makes no exceptions, and evidently includes, and the decisions heretofore rendered thereon construe it to include, all persons of that class or description, whether voluntarily or otherwise, as civilians or mustered soldiers, they at *any* time (without regard to the length of time) bore arms against the United States. These decisions also hold that *any* service, clerical or other, rendered in any capacity and in any department of the Confederacy, is within the meaning and scope of this provision of Article IV, and is equivalent to bearing arms against the United States.

Deserting the rebels and subsequently serving in the Union Army, and receiving an honorable discharge therefrom (which it appears this man did *not* get), it has been held, would not palliate this offence so as to qualify him for membership in our order.

This provision means, if it means anything, that although possessed of all other qualifications for membership, yet he cannot be admitted, and is not eligible, if he at any time bore arms against the United States or served the Confederacy in any capacity, willingly or unwillingly.

Cases of this kind excite our sympathy, and the measure seems a harsh one in its application, but the National Encampment only can afford relief by repealing or amending the law.

(Here followed a citation of decisions on the question, taken from the Blue Book, and a reference to the attempts to have the law changed by the Encampment).

The second case was from Post No. 53, at Sedalia, as follows: "In the Ritual, page 5, Section No. 3, 'The officers should be in G. A. R. uniforms, with side arms,' etc. In the Adjutant's report is this question: 'Is the Post properly armed?' Does this question have reference to the 'side arms' above referred to? If the side arms mentioned are a part of the equipment of the Post, is an officer who refuses to thus equip himself (when arms are supplied by the Post) in insubordination or violating his oath of office? What steps would you suggest to overcome a difficulty of this character in the most harmonious way? Would you advise that his refusal be disregarded and let it pass unnoticed?"

Answer: Our order had the right, through its National Encampment, to enact the Rules and Regulations, including the one referred to, and it naturally follows that a strict enforcement thereof might be required. It is the inherent right of the institution to enforce its own laws, rules and regulations.

But I am of opinion that it is not the spirit or policy of the order to be technical, or that "martinetism" should prevail in the circles of the Grand Army of the Republic, nor strict military discipline. There are, in such organizations, of course, matters or things essential to the life of the institution, while there may be others desirable, but unimportant, and this seems to be one of them. We should remember that our order is fraternal, not military; membership is voluntary, not compulsory; and that the enforcement of unimportant matters, really not necessary to the properly conducting of its business, with the strictness of military discipline, would become irksome to the "Old Boys" and would endanger the life of the institution. Hence we say, that while all members should observe the rules and obey orders with good grace, yet we believe it would be imprudent to compel them arbitrarily to do so. It is not necessary and not required; it is not the spirit of the organization. The matters you refer to are regarded more directory than mandatory, and members should not be disciplined for their omission.

The third case was from Post No. 78, Warrensburg, as follows:

"This Post had same Commander for six years, at one period, and three years at another. These Commanders would, each year, at the last meeting, resign and have the Senior Vice-Commander take the chair, so that he might become a Commander and Past Commander. These, together with one who had been a Commander in another Department, have been reported as P. P. Commanders of this Post. Before making last report, some of these comrades concluded they were not legally entitled to these honors, for reason that in all but one or two cases there had not been any election, and in no

case had there been any notice of election, nor any installation, etc. There was a difference of opinion, but the Adjutant reported as Past Post Commanders only such as had been regularly elected and installed as such. A controversy arose over this report, some wishing still to be reported as P. P. Commanders and others refusing to be so reported, and the Post voted, instructing the Adjutant to change his report and make it as heretofore, to include all, etc. What is right?"

Answer: One who was not regularly elected and installed as Post Commander, and served to the end of his term, is not entitled to the honors of Past Post Commander. Section 1, Article II, Chapter 2, Rules and Regulations, provides that certain Post officers (the Commander among them) must be elected and installed, and that "they shall enter upon their duties at once, and all officers, whether elected or appointed, shall hold office until their successors are installed." Section 2, of same Article, provides the manner of electing.

Section 3, of same article, provides for filling vacancies, etc., "at any stated meeting, notices of such contemplated action having been given at a previous meeting." Decision 5, S. S. B., November 23, 1885, says: "The resignation of a Post Commander does not operate to make a vacancy until his successor has been *elected and actually qualified*: consequently it is proper for the officer so resigning to preside at any meeting of his Post until his successor has been so *elected and qualified*."

Section 1, Article II, Chapter 3, Rules and Regulations, designating those who shall constitute the Department Encampment, among others, names "all Past Post Commanders who have served for a full term of one year, or who, having been *elected* to fill a vacancy, shall have served to the end of their term," etc. In the absence of the Post Commander at the Department Encampment the Senior or Junior Vice-Commander may represent the Post, and this applies only to present officers and not to past officers.

The Adjutant was correct in reporting only such as had been regularly elected and installed as being entitled to honors as Past Post Commanders.

The fourth case was from Post No. 468, Higbee, as follows:

"One Jack Perkins, once a member of this Post, had removed and remained away about three years. He had recently written to this Post for a transfer card. By action of the Post he was called on to remit one-half of his dues accrued during his absence, offering to abate the other half, and to issue the transfer. He did not respond promptly, and in the meantime he killed a man, after which he renewed his request for his transfer card. For the killing he was arrested and bound over to the grand jury, etc. Can the Post grant him a transfer?"

Answer: Assuming from the statement that the comrade had been duly reinstated by vote of the Post, and the amount of his dues paid (or tendered), and no charges pending against him, and he has asked for his transfer card, he would be entitled to it, as a matter of course, on application. Section 2, Article II, Chapter 2, Rules and Regulations, provides: "Any com-

rade against whom no charges exist, and who has paid all dues, shall receive, upon verbal or written application to the Commander, at a meeting of the Post, a transfer card attested by the Adjutant." Decisions on this section say that the Post may not impose any other restrictions on him.—Opinion 3, W. W. D., August 11, 1871. It has been held, also, that where a Post undertook by vote to withhold the transfer, that the vote or action of the Post was void.—Opinion 29, W. W. D., April 2, 1872. (Other opinions were here cited, unnecessary to repeat here). The fact that the comrade had killed a man is not of itself sufficient to deprive him of transfer card, etc. If otherwise in good standing in his Post, when he asked for his transfer, he should have received it, and it is questionable if charges preferred now would legally prevent the transfer. Respectfully submitted.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JERE. T. DEW,
Judge Advocate.

The reports of other officers having been printed, upon motion of Comrade Henry of Post No. 8, further reading was dispensed with and printed reports distributed to the members.

Junior Vice Department Commander announced the Committee on Department Commander's address:

Comrades Thos. B. Rodgers, Post 1; Hiram Smith, Jr., Post 17; Louis Grund, Post 13.

The Department Commander resumed the chair and announced the following Committees:

On reports of Senior and Junior Vice Department Commanders, Medical Director, Chief Mustering Officer, and Chaplain:

Comrades J. W. Beach, Post 7; Adam Theis, Post 43; J. S. Rogers, Post 17.

On Inspector's report:

Comrades W. F. Henry, Post 8; Jno. W. Scott, Post 5; Arthur Dreyfus, Post 1.

On Assistant Adjutant General's and Assistant Quartermaster General's reports:

Comrades H. E. Robinson, Post 21; Jno. W. Toppass, Post 29; J. R. Milner, Post 69.

On Resolutions:

Comrades Louis Benecke, Post 268; Leo. Rassieur, Post 1; C. G. Burton, Post 26; Hiram Smith, Jr., Post 17; Geo. W. Martin, Post 57.

On Woman's Relief Corps :

Comrades J. V. Martin, Post 57; Hy. Fairback, Post 107; C. W. Whitehead, Post 8; Ed. D. Cornish, Post 17; J. T. Birdseye, Post 26.

On Ladies of the G. A. R. :

Comrades J. K. Merrifield, Post 131; J. T. Bronson, Post 53; W. B. Rogers, Post 72; J. H. Smith, Post 78; Jno. A. Davis, Post 75.

On Sons of Veterans :

Comrades W. H. Skinner, Post 124; G. R. Ingersoll, Post 34; Jno. H. Frick, Post 197; W. G. Hills, Post 131.

Department Commander: I wish to announce that the Citizens' Committee desire to entertain the officers and members of this Encampment at 5 o'clock P.M.

Upon motion of Comrade Fairback of Post 107, the invitation was accepted, after which, upon motion, the Encampment took a recess until 1:30 o'clock P.M.

AFTERNOON SESSION—FIRST DAY.

The Encampment was called to order promptly at 1:30 o'clock P.M. by the Department Commander, who introduced Comrades Whitehead and Henry of the Kansas City Quartette :

The Department Commander: The next order of business will be the reception and reference of communications.

The Assistant Adjutant General: A number of communications have been sent to this office, some are quite lengthy; if there is no objection, I will read them "by title" and suggest their reference to the Committee on Resolutions.

Upon motion of Comrade Cole, Post 1, this method of procedure was adopted.

The following communications were then presented and referred to the Committee on Resolutions :

- 1st. Petition of Military Telegraphers for amendment to Rules and Regulations admitting them to membership.
- 2d. Resolution from Post 14 favoring change of eligibility to membership.

3d. Petition for reinstatement of Post 399 that it may consolidate with Post 21.

4th. Resolution from Department of the Potomac relating to the custody of the records of the volunteer armies.

Assistant Adjutant General: Commander, I have a telegram here which reads as follows:

SEDALIA, Mo., May 19, 1898.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER PLATT, Carthage, Mo.:

To the Department of Missouri G. A. R., on behalf of the citizens of Sedalia I extend you a cordial invitation to hold your next Annual Encampment in this city.

W. C. EVERSTREET, Mayor.

Also another from our comrades of the Department of Indiana:

COLUMBUS, IND., May 19, 1898.

JOHN B. PACHALL, A. A. G., Dept. of Missouri G. A. R., Carthage, Mo.

The Hoosier Department presents its congratulations and fraternal greetings. The soldiers toast, "Good luck and cool weather," to all of you.

JAMES S. DODGE, Dept. Commander.

R. M. SMOCK, A. A. G.

WM. H. ARMSTRONG, National C. of A.

Department Commander: What action do you desire to take regarding this telegram?

Comrade Seaber, Post 22, moved that the Assistant Adjutant General wire the following response:

To the Commander and Comrades of the Department of Indiana:

This Encampment heartily reciprocates your kind wishes, and cordially hopes that Sampson's victory may equal Dewey's, and that the "Indiana" may be in it at the death.

The Department Commander: We will now receive the Report of the Committee on Loans.

The report of the Committee on Loans was then read by its Chairman, Comrade Nelson Cole, as follows:

To the Seventeenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic:

Since the last Encampment at Warrensburg, Mo., on the 13th and 14th days of May last, your Committee on Loans, following the general instructions of the Encampment, and as embodied in a resolution adopted by the Sixteenth Annual Encampment, and printed on page 88 of the proceedings, beg leave to make the following report:

Referring first to what is known as the Mesner loan at Kansas City, Mo., which, in our last report, it was shown to have a balance due of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500), secured by deed of trust on a lot of ground in Kansas City, Mo., the note was past due, and as the security was not considered sufficient for this amount, your Committee demanded its payment, or at least that it be reduced to make the security ample; this has been done during the year, as follows:

Amount remaining due on note April 7, 1897.....	\$1,500 00
Cash on account of same November 19, 1897.....	\$175 00
Cash on account of same February 5, 1898.....	325 00
	500 00
	\$1,000 00

Leaving balance of one thousand dollars due on same.

Your Committee, believing that the security is sufficient to justify them in doing so, have extended the balance (\$1,000) for two years, with interest at eight per cent. per annum, upon the security of the original deed of trust and note. We have also collected the sum of one hundred and ten dollars and fifty-six cents interest on the above for the year ending April 7, 1898, making a total amount of cash collected on this loan since last Encampment as follows:

Amount collected on \$1,500 note, reducing same to \$1,000.....	\$500 00
Interest on note from April 7, 1897, to April 7, 1898.....	110 56
	\$610 56

Making a total of six hundred and ten dollars and fifty-six cents collected on this loan; this amount has been turned over to Comrade J. B. Pachall, Assistant Adjutant General, and your Committee holds his receipt for same.

The loan on the Phelps property at Springfield, Mo., has been closed out as follows: Shortly after the adjournment of the Department Encampment at Warrensburg, Department Commander Platt and Assistant Adjutant General Pachall carried out the provision of the resolution directing them to sign note for two thousand and fifty-one dollars and fifty cents, to pay the amount of first deed of trust and expenses on same, and received deed to property; and as shown in report of this Committee on page 77, printed proceedings of Sixteenth Annual Department Encampment. This placed the property in the possession of your Committee in such shape that they could put it on the market for sale. In January, 1898, we received an offer of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) for it. This was the price set by your Committee, and we at once closed the sale, and on the 21st day of January, 1898, transferred the property to the purchaser, disposing of the proceeds as follows:

Amount received for property		\$5,000 00
Disposition made of it—		
Deed of trust assumed by purchaser	\$2,051 00	
Interest on deed of trust to date of sale assumed by purchaser	88 19	
Taxes for 1897 assumed by purchaser.....	56 24	
Cost of abstract of title to date of sale	4 00	
Cost of sale, including commissions, notary fees, etc., paid Chas. H. Wright	150 00	
Net amount remaining in hands of committee.....	2,650 57	
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	\$5,000 00	\$5,000 00

This closed out this loan, which your Committee takes pleasure in reporting to the Encampment, was done without any feeling on the part of Past Department Commander Phelps and his family, who expressed themselves as feeling very grateful for the consideration shown them under the circumstances. While the general result of this loan has been unfortunate in resulting in a considerable loss to the Department, your Committee congratulate themselves and the Department on closing out the matter with as good results as is shown in this report. The net proceeds, twenty-six hundred and fifty dollars and fifty-seven cents (\$2,650.57) was turned over to Assistant Adjutant General J. B. Pachall by the Chairman of the Committee, and his receipt taken for same.

This leaves only the Mesner loan to be cared for by your Committee, who, while they have extended it for two years, believe, should the Department need the money, it could be realized on at any time without loss to the Department.

Respectfully submitted,

NELSON COLE, *Chairman*.
C. H. WHITEHEAD,
J. L. BRIGGS.

Upon motion, the report was received and approved by a unanimous vote.

The Committee on reports of the Senior and Junior Vice-Department Commanders, Chief Mustering Officer, Medical Director, and Chaplain, submitted the following:

CARTHAGE, Mo., May 19, 1898.

Commander and Comrades:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the reports of the Junior Vice-Department Commander, Medical Director, Chief Mustering Officer, and Chaplain, beg leave to report that we have read with interest and examined with such care as the limited time at our command would allow, these reports, and feel that the thanks of the Department are due each one of these officers for the care and efficiency with which he has performed his work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BEACH,
ADAM THEIS.

Comrade Rodgers, Post 1: Commander, I now move that we proceed to the nomination of delegates to the thirty-second National Encampment.

Seconded, put to a vote, and carried.

The following nominations were then made:

- W. J. DALE, Post 1, St. Louis.
- H. P. KRAMER, Post 13, St. Louis.
- W. B. ROGERS, Post 72, Trenton.
- W. H. MORSE, Post 197, Warrenton.
- ANTHONY ROESLEIN, Post 1, St. Louis.
- F. F. SNOW, Post 4, Kansas City.
- J. S. ROGERS, Post 17, Cameron.
- W. F. MUNSON, Post 130, Tina.
- D. W. POLLOCK, Post 181, Powersville.
- C. F. NEIDRINGHAUS, Post 2, St. Louis.
- L. F. KLOSTERMAN, Post 173, Cape Girardeau.
- H. H. HARDING, Post 16, Carthage.
- W. E. EVANS, Post 115, Carl Junction.
- E. L. HAMLIN, Post 343, St. Louis.
- JEFF. VANOLF, Post 32, Hamilton.
- A. MCKINNEY, Post 187, Peirce City.
- C. C. BELL, Post 240, Booneville.
- P. W. BAHL, Post 69, Springfield.
- S. S. DUNN, Post 375, Harwood.
- J. H. SMITH, Post 78, Warrensburg.
- J. D. EHRHARD, Post 235, Panacea.
- J. J. FISHER, Post 314, Cedar Hill.
- A. L. MCBRIDE, Post 58, Butler.
- WM. NIEHAUS, Post 107, St. Louis.
- J. W. BEACH, Post 7, St. Joseph.
- CHAS. STRAW, Post 264, Deepwater.
- J. T. BIRDSEYE, Post 26, Nevada.
- J. A. DAVIS, Post 75, Greenfield.
- EUPHRATES BOUCHER, Post 118, Mt. Vernon.
- JOHN R. YORK, Post 14, Joplin.
- W. B. MULLINS, Post 178, DeWitt.
- ISAAC LEEPER, Post 146, Avalon.
- H. K. S. ROBINSON, Post 65, Mound City.

H. C. HECKATHORNE, Post 16, Carthage.

J. B. MCQUIE, Post 82, Wellsville.

E. G. RADFORD, Post 168, Braymer.

C. W. RUBY, Post 48, Lebanon.

H. E. ROBINSON, Post 21, Maryville.

Upon motion the nominations were declared closed.

It was moved and seconded that the fourteen comrades receiving the highest number of votes be declared the delegates, and those receiving the next highest number of votes be declared the alternates.

The question being put to a vote, was declared carried.

Comrade Tubbs, Post 97: Commander, I have a resolution regarding the placing of the flag upon public institutions, which I will ask the privilege of handing to the Assistant Adjutant General and request that it be referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The Department Commander: If there is no objection the resolution will be received and referred.

Comrade Wolf, Post 512, offered a resolution relating to school histories, which was referred to Committee on Resolutions.

The Committee on Inspector's Report submitted the following:

CARTHAGE, May 19, 1898.

Commander and Comrades:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Department Inspector, respectfully report the Department Inspector is worthy of commendation and the thanks of this Encampment for the faithful and efficient manner in which he has performed his duties. It is to be regretted that Post Commanders do not all recognize the importance of promptly and fully responding to the call of Department officers for such reports as the Rules and Regulations require to be made. One hundred and thirty Post Commanders of this Department violated their oath of office by neglecting or refusing to forward to the Department Inspector inspection reports of their respective Posts. Such neglect of duty is without excuse, and ought not to occur. We approve the suggestion of the Department Inspector as to the sending of inspection reports through the Assistant Adjutant General's office, and recommend that such plan be adopted. That part of the report referring to the Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans is worthy the careful consideration of every comrade.

W. F. HENRY,
ARTHUR DREIFUS,
JNO. W. SCOTT.

Upon motion of Comrade Henry, the report was received, adopted and committee discharged.

Comrade Grund, Post 13, announced that a committee from the Woman's Relief Corps was in waiting, whereupon business was suspended and the committee received, who then submitted the following report:

Amount expended for relief during the year (cash)	\$ 640 36
Value of relief furnished other than money	1,190 00
Total	\$1,830 36

Number of soldiers and members of families assisted, 875.

Very sincerely in F. C. & L.,

MARY M. BIRDSEYS,

Department President.

After being entertained with a song from the "Ransom Howlers," entitled, (chant) "When the Goodman of the House Falleth in Love," and a solo by Comrade J. J. Fisher, "Just Keep in the Middle of the Road," the ladies retired amid the cheers of the comrades.

Comrade Rodgers, Post 1, moved that we now proceed to select the place for holding our next Encampment. There being no objection, the Commander announced that the next order of business.

Comrade Ritter, Post 53, named Sedalia.

Comrade Seaber, Post 22, named Kirksville.

Comrade Burton, Post 26, named Nevada for 1900.

On motion of Comrade Rassieur, of Post No. 1, a rising vote was taken, which resulted in the selection of Kirksville, and was, on motion of Comrade Edwards, Post 343, made unanimous.

Department Commander: I now declare that the next Department Encampment will be held in Kirksville at such time as may be fixed by the Council of Administration.

On motion, the Encampment adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock a. m., May 20, 1898.

MORNING SESSION, SECOND DAY, MAY 20, 1898.

The Department Commander in the chair.

The session was opened with prayer by Department Chaplain Hagerty.

The Department Commander: It appears that the term of one member of the Committee on Loans expires with this encampment. It devolves upon me to appoint his successor. I will now reappoint Comrade Nelson Cole as a member of that committee.

The Junior Vice Department Commander in the chair.

Comrade Rodgers, Post 1, chairman of the Committee on Department Commander's Address, submitted the following report:

CARTHAGE, May 20, 1898.

To the Seventeenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.

COMRADES: Your committee, to whom was referred the address of the Department Commander, beg leave to report that we have considered the same, and most heartily concur in his recommendations that the officers and members of Posts extend a greater encouragement to the organization of the Sons of Veterans than has heretofore been the case. and we recommend that they be urged to visit the camps of the Sons of Veterans at as many of their meetings as possible, and also to urge the other officers and comrades to do likewise, and to assist, as far as possible, the formation of camps of the Sons of Veterans in localities where no camps now exist.

In regard to the recommendation of the Department Commander, that the per capita tax be increased from twenty cents per annum to thirty cents per annum, while we feel satisfied that there should be an increase, we think a per capita tax of twenty-five cents would be sufficient, and we therefore recommend that it be fixed at that amount.

We especially recommend the devotion and untiring zeal displayed by our retiring Department Commander, John P. Platt, during the past year, by visiting so many Posts and reunions in many localities. He deserves and should receive the hearty thanks of the Department for duties well and faithfully performed.

THOS. B. RODGERS,
LOUIS BENECKE,
LOUIS GRUND.

The Chairman: Comrades, you have heard the reading of the report of the Committee on Department Commander's Address; what is your pleasure?

Comrade Fairback, Post 107, moved the adoption of the report. Seconded.

Comrade Henry, of Post 8: I think there ought to be opportunity to say something on that. I believe that the recommendations of the Department Commander to make the per capita tax thirty cents should be adopted, and I will tell you why I believe that it ought to be so. I think there is scarcely another Department that has so low a per capita tax as we have, and it is more than likely that very shortly after this we will have to increase it here, as our numbers diminish, and every time we increase it one cent we shall have more or less friction in the operation; and as it will become necessary to make it thirty cents within a short time, within all human probability, I think we had better increase it to that amount at once, instead of doing it at two or three times and having a repetition of the same friction. The man who was going to save injury to his dog by cutting his tail off a piece at a time was, I think, following the same principle that we propose to adopt by putting the tax at twenty-five cents, and then after a while raising it again. I therefore move that the report be amended to put it at thirty cents now instead of twenty-five cents, as recommended by the committee.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I would like to ask the Assistant Adjutant General a question. Will the present per capita of twenty cents per annum pay the expenses of the Department the coming year, or whether it has done so the past year?

The Assistant Adjutant General: It has not done so the past year, largely on account of expenses incurred by our property at Springfield; but being now relieved of that it is possible that the present per capita tax will be sufficient to meet expenses.

Comrade Henry, Post 8: I do not want to be misunderstood in this matter, or desire to impose a burden upon any comrade or any Post that is not necessary. It is true that we have some money loaned out, and I understand that it is also true that we cannot collect any of that without we sell the property upon which the mortgage now is. (Voice: We will sell it, then). Mr. Henry, continuing: That might be so. I don't want to be understood as being willing to impose any burden; if twenty or twenty-five cents per capita is sufficient to defray the expenses of the Department, that is all right. I took it from the Department

Commander's recommendation that he has had this matter under consideration for the last year, and that it was necessary to collect that additional amount in order to run the Department; but if we are going to raise it at all I am in favor of raising it high enough that we shall not be obliged to fight over the same ground at every succeeding session of the Encampment.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: Under the circumstances I move, as a substitute for all the motions, that the committee's report be amended by striking out twenty-five cents and inserting in lieu thereof twenty cents.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Report of the committee, as amended, was then adopted.

Department Commander: I made the recommendation of thirty cents, thinking that the committee might cut it down to twenty-five. I desire to say to you, however, that I would prefer to see a surplus than a deficiency in our treasury, and that is why I did it. But you are running this Encampment, and that is all right.

A committee from the ladies of the G. A. R. was announced, whereupon business was suspended and the committee escorted to the platform. Mrs. Bisby and Mrs. Showers, of the committee, addressed the Encampment, which was responded to by the Department Commander and Comrade Cramer of Post 179, after which the ladies retired.

Upon resumption of business by the Encampment, Comrade Benecke, chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, submitted the following:

Commander:

Your Committee on Resolutions, to whom was referred resolution of Comrade Tubbs, Post 97, requesting the General Assembly of Missouri to enact a law requiring the displaying of the American flag at school houses and certain other public buildings, beg leave to report that we have considered the same and recommend the adoption of the following:

WHEREAS, It being the sense of this Encampment that all proper means should be employed to instil principles of patriotism into the minds of the American youth, as by this means alone can this nation fulfill her destiny of demonstrating to the nations of the earth the superiority of popular over monarchical government; and,

WHEREAS, There is no more effectual way of inspiring the American youth with love of country and veneration for the country's flag than by keeping that flag and the principles it represents constantly in view; therefore,

Resolved, By the Seventeenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, that the next General Assembly of Missouri be and they are hereby requested to pass an act requiring the American flag to be displayed at every school house or other educational institution and at every eleemosynary or penal institution in this state which is supported in whole or in part by the state

On motion, the report was adopted.

Your Committee further report that they have considered the resolution transmitted to us from the Department of the Potomac, relating to the custody of the records of the Volunteer Armies. For want of sufficient information concerning the subject-matter, we recommend that it lie upon the table.

Upon motion the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Your Committee further report that they have considered the resolution from Post 14, favoring amendment to Rules and Regulations admitting to membership soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the war with Spain.

We deem it unwise to deviate from the well-settled principles governing our organization; hence we recommend that said resolution lie on the table.

Recommendation adopted.

Your Committee further report that we have considered document No. 4, being a petition of the United States Military Telegraph Corps, who pray for a change of our law so as to make them eligible to membership. While your Committee concedes that valuable service was rendered by the members of said organization during the war of 1861-5, yet their services were rendered as civilians and paid for as such, without being required to serve for a specific period, and they were at liberty to resign at any time.

Hence we recommend that said document be laid upon the table.

Upon motion the recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Your Committee on Resolutions, to whom was referred a communication concerning Clearmont Post, 399, beg leave to report that we have considered the same, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Department Commander be and the same is hereby authorized to remit to Post 399 all per capita tax to the year 1898, provided they shall immediately take steps to consolidate with some other Post under the provisions of Sec. 5, Art. 1, Chap. 2, Rules and Regulations.

Upon motion the report was adopted.

Comrade Benecke: I am also instructed by the Committee to present the following resolution, and move its adoption:

Resolved, The Department of Missouri G. A. R. would, and if it were possible with increased emphasis, reiterate its conviction that the pension laws should be executed with the same liberal and patriotic spirit that prompted their enactment, and that no one, whether high or low, who does not heartily enter into that spirit should be trusted with their execution; and believing that the present Commissioner of Pensions is not acting in accordance with the true spirit of our pension laws, we respectfully urge a change in that office, unless at an early day it is clearly evident that these laws are being enforced in the liberal spirit manifested by Congress in their enactment.

Seconded.

Comrade Fairback, Post 107: In order that we may have time to carefully consider this resolution, I move that it be laid over until next Encampment. [Cries of "No! no! no!"]

The motion to lay over was put to vote and declared lost.

The motion to adopt the resolution was then put to vote and carried.

Comrade Rodgers of Post 1 moved that the Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to send a copy of the resolution to the President of the United States, which was put to vote and carried.

The Committee on the Report of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General submitted the following report:

CARTHAGE, MO., May 20, 1898.

Commander and Comrades:

Your Committee on the Report of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General beg to report that we examined the same, and find it a complete statement of the year's work, showing great labor and care in its preparation, and we recommend its adoption.

H. E. ROBINSON,
JAMES MILNER,
JOHN W. TOPPASS.

The Assistant Adjutant General: Department Commander. if in order, I will now submit the report of the Council of Administration.

Department Commander: We will now receive the report of the Council of Administration, which was read by the Assistant Adjutant General, as follows:

CARTHAGE, MO., May 20, 1898.

To the Seventeenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

The Council of Administration respectfully submits the following report:

The first meeting of the Council was held at Warrensburg, May 14, 1897. Present, John P. Platt, Department Commander; Charles H. Morgan, Senior Vice-Department Commander; Wm. Lowe, Junior Vice-Department Commander; Thomas H. Hagerty, Chaplain; John B. Pachall, Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.

Arnold Beck and F. P. Becker elected members, Department Commander John P. Platt presiding.

Upon motion the Department Commander was authorized to borrow the sum of eight hundred dollars, for the purpose of liquidating outstanding claims and accounts.

On motion the following expenditures were authorized, viz.: for the relief and burial of friendless Union soldiers, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars; for the traveling expenses of the Department Commander, \$250.00.

Upon motion, the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to reinstate suspended or delinquent Posts upon payment of one year's dues, based upon the membership as reported in their last semi-annual report.

On motion the Council adjourned.

After a conference with the Council by letter, in December, it was decided to hold the Seventeenth Annual Encampment on the 19th and 20th days of May, 1898.

The next meeting of the Council was held in Carthage, May 19, 1898, with the following members present: John P. Platt, Department Commander; William Lowe, Junior Vice Department Commander; Thomas H. Hagerty, Chaplain; John B. Pachall, Assistant Adjutant General; John W. Scott, Chief Mustering Officer; Arnold Beck, N. W. Taylor, Francis P. Becker, J. Waldo Beach and E. F. Rogers, elected members. Department Commander, John P. Platt, presiding.

The following proceedings were had:

The minutes of the last meeting of the Council were read by the Assistant Adjutant General, and were, upon motion of Comrade Taylor, approved.

The Department Commander appointed Comrades N. W. Taylor, Wm. Lowe, and Arnold Beck a committee to examine and audit the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.

Upon motion the Assistant Adjutant General was authorized to employ Comrade C. C. Cowen as stenographer to report the proceedings of the Seventeenth Annual Encampment.

The Committee to audit the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General submitted the following report:

CARTHAGE, MO., May 18, 1898.

To the Council of Administration Department of Missouri G. A. R.:

Your Committee, appointed to examine the accounts of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, respectfully report

that we have performed that duty. We find proper vouchers for all sums paid out; the books well kept and correct; that the balance on hand, December 31, 1897, was \$121.59.

Upon motion the finding and report of the Committee were approved.

No further business appearing, upon motion of Comrade Beach the Council adjourned.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General and Recorder.

Comrade Henry: I move that the report of the Council of Administration be adopted.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General read a communication from Post 553 soliciting assistance to enable them to assist the legal authorities of Taney County in prosecuting the murderer of one of their Comrades.

Comrade Cole, Post 1; What order of business are we proceeding under at this time?

The Department Commander: Miscellaneous.

Comrade Cole: I move that we now proceed with the nomination and election of officers for the coming year.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander: Nominations for Department Commander are now in order.

Upon motion, nominating speeches were limited to five minutes, and seconding speeches to one minute.

Comrade Pollard, Post 131: At the bidding and direction of Ransom Post, I arise to place in nomination a candidate for the distinguished position of Department Commander of this Department. Ransom Post begs the privilege of naming the next Commander of this Department. While it is true that that Post has never yet been honored with Department Commander, we now sincerely trust that this Encampment will give us that honor. Comrades, in reading the report of the Assistant Adjutant General you will discover the fact that out of a little over 19,000 members of this Department there are over 5,600 members on the suspended list. I want to tell you what occurred in Ransom Post: Some six months ago in our Post there were placed upon the suspended

list some 46 or 47 members for failure to pay their dues. Soon thereafter, I believe it was at the very next meeting, a resolution was introduced by the comrade, whom I will name, for the appointment of a committee for the purpose of using its efforts in having those suspended members placed back in good standing in the Post. That comrade was made Chairman of the Committee, and I will say now that, whenever he is on any committee, he will certainly do his part, and more than his part; and in a brief time, within a very few meetings thereafter, there were, through the efforts of that comrade, returned, reclaimed to the Post, in good standing, 38 out of the 46 or 47 suspended members. (Applause). Now we want to place at the head of this Department that comrade who will do for the whole Department what was done for our Post; we want to place at the head of this Department a comrade who is a comrade at all times, in action as well as in name; a comrade who, when you are sick, will visit you; and the comrade who, when the last sad rites are to be paid, will be present with him at the grave; a comrade who is always present at Post meetings; and I will say a comrade who has done more, in my opinion, for the Grand Army of the Republic in the city of St. Louis than any man that I know, and I believe that statement will be corroborated by all. I want to place in nomination a comrade who, if placed in command of this Department, would make this a Department in the course of his administration more prosperous than it has been for many years; I want to place in nomination a comrade who, while I do not claim him to be a man without faults—but who is there among us who amounts to anything but what has his faults?—a man that is placed on any committee, that has any work to do, goes and does it; that is the kind of man that I shall place in nomination here; and I take pleasure in nominating, through this convention, for its next Department Commander, Comrade Andrew G. Peterson, of Ransom Post. (Applause).

Comrade Rassieur, Post No. 1: It is my pleasure to nominate a comrade on the floor of this great Encampment for the high office of Department Commander. The pleasure comes from the fact that I can say things of my comrade which ordinarily cannot be said, for the reason that there are but few men who have such a record as my friend has. There is a time in life when men are

tried and measured; that time in life came first to my comrade in 1861, when he left home as a 15-year-old boy and joined the army, going out with the 54th Ohio without a legal enlistment. After the battle of Shiloh, in which he was engaged, his father caught up with him and said, "My little boy, you had better come home," and he did; but was determined to prevail on his father to let him go back. When the 83d Ohio started out he joined that regiment with the sanction of his father, who had become convinced that he could not longer restrain the patriotism of his boy; and in the 83d Ohio he made a record as a brave soldier that time cannot efface. He carried a regimental banner through the Vicksburg campaign when a boy only 17 years old—a fact of which every comrade of this Department ought to be proud. I ask you to look at his record: this boy, through love of country, leaving home, fireside and friends, and making a sacrifice which the country could not, in its extremity, have demanded of one of his tender years, and taking his place by the side of the country's most heroic defenders and maintaining himself with honor to the last. I ask you to look at that record, as well as his record as a Grand Army comrade, faithfully and grandly discharging every duty which has been entrusted to him. And now, my comrades, a man with such a record I present to you. It is not necessary for me to say that he will discharge the duties of the Commander of this Department to your satisfaction; you know it. And, comrades, I want to say that when we go to Cincinnati, in the State of Ohio, this year we can bring back one of her sons as Commander of this Department, providing you elect Comrade John W. Scott, of Moberly. (Applause).

Comrade Oder, Post 107, placed Comrade Fairback, of Post 107, in nomination.

Comrade Fairback, of Post 107: I want to thank the comrades, and especially those of Harding Post, for the honor of being named in this connection. The time may come when I may be able to serve this Department in the capacity of Department Commander, but must decline the honor at this time.

The name of Comrade Fairback being withdrawn, upon motion, nominations were declared closed.

The Department Commander named the following comrades as tellers:

Chas. F. Vogel, Post 1; Martin Scherer, Post 13; Daniel Stubblefield, Post 33; James R. Millner, Post 69; Moses Nether-ton, Post 222; A. V. Seaber, Post 22; F. F. Snow, Post 4.

The Department Commander: Committee from the Sons of Veterans having arrived, they will be received by the committee and escorted to the stage. There they were presented to the Encampment. The Chairman of the Committee made a very appropriate address, which was responded to by the Department Commander, and also by Comrade Rassieur of Post 1, after which the committee retired, cheered by the comrades.

The vote for Department Commander was then announced as follows:

Total number of votes cast, 348; necessary to a choice, 175; of which Comrade Peterson received 185, and Comrade Scott 163.

On motion of Comrade Scott the vote for Comrade Peterson was made unanimous.

Thereupon the Department Commander declared Comrade Peterson duly elected Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Henry of Post 8: I want to ask unanimous consent at this time for the purpose of electing Comrade John W. Scott, Post 5, Delegate-at-Large.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Under unanimous consent the Department Commander declared Comrade Scott elected Delegate-at-Large.

Comrade Scott was appointed a Committee of one to escort Comrade Peterson to the platform.

The Department Commander: I take great pleasure in introducing to you Comrade Peterson, your Department Commander-elect. (Applause).

Comrade Peterson: Department Commander and Comrades, I only regret that I have not the gift of language in which to express to you in proper terms my thanks that are your due. But I desire to say that fully one-half, or perhaps more, of the delegates here assembled are aware of the fact that I am no public speaker; but I tender you my sincere thanks for the compliment

you have paid me by electing me to the highest office in the gift of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Missouri, and in the acceptance of this office I want to say that I shall have no friends to reward, no enemies to punish, and that my time shall be so employed in the general welfare of the order that at the end of my term you may have reason to say, "Well done, good and faithful servant." And now, my comrades, in conclusion, I simply want to say that I would like to have the comrades throughout the Department, to use a nautical expression, dip their oars deep into the waters of fraternity, charity and loyalty, and with a long pull and a strong pull, and a pull altogether we will land the grand old ship, the Missouri Department, Grand Army of the Republic, on the high tide of success. Comrades, again I thank you. (Applause).

Comrade Scott being called for, responded as follows:

Department Commander and Comrades, we have met the enemy and are theirs. (Applause). Your choice has my hearty approval and support, for what is the concern of one is the concern of every member of our order. Let us get together and stand shoulder to shoulder for the success of the new administration, for I feel satisfied that Comrade Peterson will merit all confidence reposed in him; and referring to the condition of our country to-day, we have arrived at that glorious time when we know no North, no South, no East, no West. We have united as one, standing up for "Old Glory" and singing throughout the land, "My Country, 'tis of Thee." (Applause).

The Department Commander: Nominations for Senior Vice Department Commander are now in order.

Comrade Jenkins, of Post 8, placed in nomination Comrade Wilbur F. Henry, of Post 8.

Comrade Nelson Church, of Post 124, placed in nomination Comrade W. H. Skinner, Post 124.

On motion, the nominations were declared closed.

On motion, the vote on Senior Vice Department Commander was ordered taken at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

At this point a recess was taken until 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION. SECOND DAY, 1:30 P. M.

Department Commander. John P. Platt, in the chair.

The Department Commander directed the tellers to take up the vote for Senior Vice Department Commander.

Comrade W. H. Skinner, Chairman of the Committee to Visit the Sons of Veterans, reported they had performed that pleasant duty by extending the greetings of this Encampment.

Comrade Ballard, Post 131: I move that the report be accepted and committee discharged.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Department Commander: Nominations for Junior Vice Commander are now in order.

Comrade Harding, Post No. 16: I am instructed by my Post to place in nomination Comrade Thos. B. Tuttle, Commander of our Post. It has been the custom to give the Junior Vice Department Commander to the town where the Encampment is held, and I now move that the rules be suspended and Comrade Tuttle be elected by acclamation.

Comrade Cole, Post 1: I move that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Tuttle for Junior Vice Department Commander.

Seconded by Comrade Rassieur, Post 1, put to vote and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General then cast the ballot of the Encampment for Comrade Tuttle, and he was declared duly elected Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

The Department Commander: Nominations for Chaplain are now in Order.

Comrade Hagerty placed in nomination Comrade Ferril of Post 7, and moved a suspension of the rules, and that the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Ferril.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General then cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade T. J. Ferril, and he was declared duly elected Chaplain for the ensuing year.

The Department Commander: The tellers report the following as the result of the ballot for Senior Vice Department Commander:

Total vote cast, 237; necessary to a choice, 119; of which Comrade Henry received 126, and Comrade Skinner 111. I therefore declare Comrade Henry duly elected Senior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

The Department Commander: Nominations for Medical Director are now in order.

Comrade John A. Blackwell, Post 82, Ira T. Bronson, Post 53, and E. T. Rathburn of Post 168, were placed in nomination.

On motion nominations were declared closed, and the tellers instructed to collect the ballots, retire and count the vote.

The Department Commander: Nominations for Alternate-at-Large are now in order.

Comrade Stewart of Post 4 and Comrade Smith of Post 189 were placed in nomination.

On motion of Comrade Pollard nominations were declared closed.

The Department Commander: Nominations for five members of the Council of Administration are now in order.

Comrades Arnold Beck, Post 1; N. W. Taylor, Post 131; Francis P. Becker, Post 13; Joseph W. Carmack, Post 362; and William Lowe, Post 78, were placed in nomination.

There being no further nominations, Comrade Pollard, Post 131, moved that the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to cast the ballot of the Encampment for the five comrades nominated for the Council of Administration; seconded, put to vote, and carried.

The Assistant Adjutant General then cast the ballot for the five nominees, who were then, by the Department Commander, declared duly elected members of the Council of Administration for the ensuing year, as follows: Arnold Beck, Post 1; N. W. Taylor, Post 131; Francis P. Becker, Post 13; Joseph W. Carmack, Post 362; William Lowe, Post 78.

Comrade Benecke, chairman Committee on Resolutions: Your Committee on Resolutions, to whom was referred the special reports of Post 512, and which reads as follows:

Commander of Harrison A. Glime Post 512, and Comrades:

Your Committee, appointed to investigate the book called "Shin's History of the American People," now used as a text-book in the public schools of this State, beg leave to submit the following report:

We have given that part of the book which treats of the rebellion and civil war, waged against the national government, a thorough investigation, and find it incorrect and untruthful, both in the incidents and events that transpired prior to the civil war, which incidents and events are related to have brought on the conflict between the rebellious States and the national government, as well as the history of that eventful struggle.

Your Committee are of the opinion the said "Shin's History of the American People" does not correspond with or corroborate any standard history of the civil war we have seen, and is an unfit book to be used as a text-book to instruct the youth of this great State on the history of the period, the most important and eventful of any part of our national existence.

Your Committee are unable to submit any reasonable theory why such a biased, untruthful history should be forced on the people of this State, other than the theory that the school-book commission, in exercising the authority vested in them by the last General Assembly, have adopted the recommendation of the executive committee of the Confederate Veterans' Association, convened at Richmond, Virginia, in June, 1896, namely: that in the future the histories used as text-books in public schools of the Southern States should relate the history of the civil war from a Confederate standpoint.

Your Committee are also of the opinion that a history of the civil war from that standpoint would not be objectionable to the patriotic people of this State if it related truthfully the events as they transpired in our national life; but we do object to, and protest against, the use of such an unauthentic, unpatriotic history as a text-book in the public schools of this State as we find "Shin's History of the American People" to be; and we recommend all patriotic people in this State, who love truth for truth's sake, and who believe their children should be taught a truthful history of national events as they transpired in our national life, to exert their influence to have said Shin's History withdrawn from use in the public schools of this State.

H. L. BARRICK,
JOHN H. SIMPSON,
G. C. GUINNER,
ADOLPH KÉRCHNER,

Committee.

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of the report of the Committee appointed to investigate Shin's School History. JACOB REIDER,

Commander.

Attest: H. L. BARRICK, *Adjutant.*

Beg leave to report that we have considered the same, and report that in view of the importance of said subject matter, and in order to give it such careful consideration as it should receive, and to secure early action, we recommend that the incoming Department Commander appoint a committee of five to whom the same shall be referred, granting them power to act in the premises, and make report of their action to the next Department Encampment.

Upon motion of Comrade Benecke the report was adopted.

Comrade Benecke: We have two additional reports, which my colleagues will present.

Comrade Rassieur, Committee on Resolutions:

Department Commander:

Your committee, in conclusion, submits that it would be derelict in the performance of the duty entrusted to it if it did not lay before this Encampment an expression regarding the administration of this government in the present momentous period of our country's history, and hence we recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved. That we congratulate the country upon the able, broad and conservative statesmanship displayed by our comrade, the President, in the management of the intricate and difficult problems presented by the differences with Spain.

Resolved. That we most heartily approve the course pursued by the President and Congress in the declaration of war, and applaud the extraordinary efforts made to prepare the country for the contest.

Resolved. That we congratulate the Nation upon its manifestation of a patriotism which knows no territorial bounds and which promises in one year to do more towards welding together the sections of this country than a century of peace.

Resolved. That special thanks and unstinted admiration be extended to Admiral Dewey and his officers and men for their grand heroism in achieving the first victory of the war, indicating that the navy of to-day is ready and able to uphold the matchless record made by our navy in the past, and to avenge any dastardly wrong done to it.

The foregoing resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

Comrade Burton, Post 26, from Committee on Resolutions: Department Commander and Comrades: Your Committee on Resolutions desires to present for your consideration and unanimous adoption the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The number of volunteers from Missouri entitle our State to the appointment of a brigadier general; and,

WHEREAS, The experience of officers in command is an important factor in successful military service; and,

WHEREAS, The name of Comrade Nelson Cole has been prominently mentioned as a probable appointee as such; therefore be it

Resolved, That we most heartily endorse Col. Nelson Cole as in every way competent and well qualified for said position, and earnestly recommend his appointment by the President.

Commander, I move the adoption of that resolution, and that the Assistant Adjutant General be directed to send a copy of it by mail to the President of the United States.

Seconded, and unanimously and enthusiastically carried by a rising vote.

Comrade Burton: I now present for your consideration the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Encampment be tendered to the railroad companies of this State for their courteous treatment, and to the people of Carthage, one and all, for their loyal welcome and generous hospitality.

Comrade Burton: I move its adoption.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Department Commander: The tellers on vote for Medical Director report as follows: Whole number of votes cast, 204; necessary to a choice, 103; of which Comrade Ira T. Bronson received 118, John A. Blackwell received 56, E. T. Rathburn received 30.

Comrade Ira T. Bronson having received a majority of all the votes cast was, by the Department Commander, declared duly elected Medical Director for the ensuing year.

Department Commander: The tellers on election of Alternate (at large) report as follows:

Whole number of votes cast, 205; necessary to a choice, 103, of which Comrade T. D. Smith received 148 and Comrade Stewart received 57.

Department Commander: I now declare Comrade T. D. Smith duly elected Alternate-at-large to the Thirty-second National Encampment.

Comrade Burton, Post 26: I now move that we proceed to the installation of officers.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

Comrade Birdseye, Post 26: Commander, the National President and Staff of the Woman's Relief Corps are in waiting at the door of the Encampment.

Department Commander: The committee will escort the ladies into the hall and seat them on the stage.

Comrade Rassieur introduced the National President of the Woman's Relief Corps, who addressed the Encampment, followed by Mrs. Birdseye, Department President Woman's Relief Corps.

Comrade Rassieur responded on behalf of the Encampment, pledging the hearty support of every member of the Grand Army of this Department in the noble effort of the Woman's Relief Corps to alleviate the suffering and distress of the old veterans.

The resolution to proceed with the installation of officers having been reconsidered, the Encampment took a recess until 5 o'clock P. M., to enable the members of the Encampment to participate in the parade.

After the parade, Comrade Burton renewed his resolution to proceed with the installation of officers, which was adopted, and Post Department Commander Nelson Cole proceeded to install the officers elect, after which the regular order of business that gave way to the installation of officers, for economy of time, was proceeded with, Department Commander Peterson in the chair.

The Department Commander: The tellers have canvassed the vote for Representatives and Alternates to the National Encampment. I now declare the following-named comrades duly elected.

REPRESENTATIVES.

- F. F. SNOW, Post 4, Kansas City.
- C. C. BELL, Post 240, Boonville.
- W. B. ROGERS, Post 72, Trenton.
- W. J. DALE, Post 1, St. Louis.
- A. P. KRAMER, Post 13, St. Louis.
- C. F. NIEDRINGHAUS, Post 2, St. Louis.
- W. E. EVANS, Post 115, Carl Junction.
- P. W. BAHL, Post 69, Springfield.
- A. MCKINNEY, Post 187, Peirce City.

J. H. SMITH, Post 78, Warrensburg.
 H. H. HARDING, Post 16, Carthage.
 J. S. ROGERS, Post 17, Cameron.
 C. W. RUBY, Post 48, Lebanon.
 L. F. KLOSTERMANN, Post 173, Cape Girardeau.

ALTERNATES.

J. A. DAVIS, Post 75, Greenfield.
 J. WALDO BEACH, Post 7, St. Joseph.
 WM. NIEHAUS, Post 107, St. Louis.
 J. J. FISHER, Post 314, Cedar Hill.
 J. T. BIRDSEYE, Post 26, Nevada.
 ISAAC LEEFER, Post 146, Avalon.
 H. E. ROBINSON, Post 21, Maryville.
 A. L. MCBRIDE, Post 58, Butler.
 D. W. POLLOCK, Post 181, Powersville.
 W. H. MORSE, Post 197, Warrenton.
 E. L. HAMLIN, Post 343, St. Louis.
 H. C. HECKATHORNE, Post 16, Carthage.
 JOHN R. YORK, Post 14, Joplin.
 ANTHONY ROESLEIN, Post 1, St. Louis.

Comrade Rassieur, Post 1: I make a motion, that the heartfelt thanks of this Department Encampment be tendered to the retiring Department Commander and Officers of the Department for their very efficient services during the past year in the interest of the Department.

Seconded, and unanimously carried by a rising vote.

Comrade Smith moved a vote of thanks to the Officer and Guard having in charge the hall, and local management generally.

Seconded, put to vote, and carried.

On motion of Comrade Rassieur, Post 1, which being duly seconded, the Encampment adjourned *sine die*.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 ROOM 49, LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.
 ST. LOUIS, MO., May 25, 1897.

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 1.

I. Having been elected and installed Department Commander, by the Representation to the Sixteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, held at Pertle Springs, Mo., May 13th and 14th, 1897, I hereby assume the duties of the office.

II. I desire to embrace this opportunity to express my appreciation of the high honor conferred upon me by an election to the highest office within your gift, and to assure you that I enter upon the discharge of its duties with a keen sense of the responsibility assumed and an earnest purpose to discharge every duty to the best of my ability.

III. The following named comrades were elected officers of this Department for the ensuing year :

Jno. P. Platt, Post 33, Kingston, Department Commander.

C. H. Morgan, Post 26, Nevada, Senior Vice Department Commander.

Wm. Lowe, Post 78, Warrensburg, Junior Vice Department Commander.

Dr. Chas. W. Burrill, Post 4, Kansas City, Medical Director.

Thos. H. Hagerty, Post 131, St. Louis, Chaplain.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Arnold Beck, Post 1, St. Louis. J. W. Beach, Post 7, St. Joseph.

E. F. Rogers, Post 4, Kansas City. F. P. Becker, Post 13, St. Louis.

N. W. Taylor, Post 131, St. Louis.

IV. The following named comrades were elected Representatives and Alternates to the Thirty-First National Encampment :

REPRESENTATIVES.

Jno. W. Noble (at large), St. Louis.

J. S. Rogers, Cameron.

Henry Lange, St. Louis.

G. A. Douglass, Warrensburg.

Adam Theis, Hannibal.

C. A. Day, Kansas City.

R. W. Davis, Brookfield.

J. W. Eldridge, Springfield.

Ira T. Bronson, Sedalia.

Geo. O. Howenstein, Carthage.

A. O. Engleman, St. Louis.

Geo. Hall, Trenton.

H. E. Robinson, Maryville.

Wm. H. Mengel, Clarksburg.

C. P. Woodruff, Springfield.

ALTERNATES.

Ira K. Alderman (at large), Maryville.

T. F. W. Arnold, Lamar.	Jackson Walter, Bethany.
H. J. Pringle, Chillicothe.	Geo. A. Newcomb, St. Louis.
J. T. Birdseye, Nevada.	J. L. Smith, Sedalia.
H. F. Divoll, Kansas City.	Thos. H. Macklind, St. Louis.
Adam Wenzel, St. Louis.	G. W. Travis, Appleton City.
Wm. Niehaus, St. Louis.	W. D. Munson, Tina.
H. Debell, St. Joe.	James T. Griffin, Maysville.

V. The following appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

John B. Pachall, Post 1, St. Louis, Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.

Jere. T. Dew, Post 8, Kansas City, Judge Advocate.

Wm. B. Challicomb, Post 53, Sedalia, Department Inspector.

Jno. W. Scott, Post 5, Moberly, Chief Mustering Officer.

They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

The following named comrades are appointed Aides-de-Camp on Staff of Department Commander:

Jacob M. Gruen, Post 2, Senior Aide-de-Camp.

Jno. B. Cotty, Post 5, Aide-de-Camp and Department Color Bearer.

R. R. Miller, Post 33, Aide-de-Camp and Department Bugler.

All official communications should be addressed to John B. Pachall, Assistant Adjutant General, Room 49, Laclede Building, St. Louis, Mo.

VI. Post Commanders are requested to recommend to the Department Commander a suitable comrade for appointment as Aide-de-Camp on his Staff.

The address of the Department Commander is Kingston, Mo.

VII. The attention of comrades desiring horses for the parade at the National Encampment at Buffalo is called to the following issued by the Executive Committee:

HORSES.—Department staff officers or aids who desire horses or equipments for the parade should apply early, and not later than July 1st, to the Assistant Adjutant General of their State, through whom they will be furnished. Assistant Adjutant Generals will be assisted in making a contract with liverymen who are responsible, and at rates agreed upon, which are for horses \$3.00, and for equipment \$2.75. Those having equipment should express same, carefully marked to identify ownership, at least one week ahead, and notify the committee. No rebate will be given on equipment.

Those wanting horses must send their order, with the money, to John B. Pachall, Assistant Adjutant General, before the first day of July, 1897, in compliance with the above notice, otherwise no provision

will be made with the committee for horses. All comrades ordering horses will have their names forwarded to the committee.

VIII. Duplicate blanks, consolidated forms A and B, for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports for the six months ending June 30, are herewith enclosed. These reports should be made out and signed by the Post Commander at the last meeting in June, and immediately forwarded with the per capita, in one envelope, to the Assistant Adjutant General. The per capita tax for the six months is ten cents for each member.

IX. Blank forms "F," for Post Chaplain's report, are also enclosed, which should be made out immediately after Memorial Day and forwarded to Thos. H. Hagerty, Department Chaplain, St. Louis, Mo.

As these are the first reports for the year, and the last to be made before the National Encampment, which meets August 23d, it is of the utmost importance that there should be no delay in sending them in. The consolidated reports from Department Headquarters must be made July 20th, and it is very necessary that Post Reports should all be in before that date. Our standing as a Department is shown by our reports at this time, as presented to the National Encampment. Post officers are urged to act with more than usual promptness, in order that the high standing of the Department may be maintained.

X. The Department Commander desires the reinstatement of all suspended Posts and comrades, and to this end he urges each and every Post Commander to put forth extra effort to reclaim as many suspended comrades as possible. The Department will render every assistance within its power to enable suspended and delinquent Posts to reinstate themselves. Several suspended Posts have signified a desire to become reinstated, and the Department Commander hopes to announce in next General Orders that they are again with us.

XI. It is desirable to have the Department Roster as complete as possible; to accomplish this it is necessary to have reports of the officers elect of each Post. The following Posts have failed to forward roster of officers for 1897, viz: Posts 39, 49, 111, 117, 154, 170, 207, 212, 223, 258, 288, 305, 313, 318, 342, 356, 368, 373.

XII. Delinquent Posts are earnestly requested to send in reports and per capita tax for terms delinquent, with their June report. The Department Encampment authorized the Assistant Adjutant General to reinstate suspended or delinquent Posts upon payment of one year's dues. The last Post Commander of all such Posts is requested to communicate with the Assistant Adjutant General, with a view to reinstatement, organization of "Picket Posts," or consolidating with some other Post. Many comrades are deprived of the benefits of our organization through the neglect of Post officers, in permitting the Post to become suspended; such comrades will be permitted to join other Posts upon application to this office.

XIII. Appointment of Aides-de-Camp will be announced in future orders, as may be recommended by Post Commanders.

XIV. Post 331, Higginsville, John B. Jones, P. C., is authorized to circulate a petition soliciting contributions in behalf of Comrade T. J. Jackman, who is in destitute circumstances.

XV. Mrs. L. A. Scott has had the banner which the W. R. C. presented to the G. A. R. handsomely photographed, and will sell the photos at the small sum of fifteen cents each, to be applied to the Department Relief Fund. Orders for the same will be received by Mrs. Lucinda A. Scott, Moberly.

By command of

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Ass't Adjutant General.

JNO. P. PLATT,

Dept. Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 ROOM 49 LACLEDE BLDG., FOURTH AND OLIVE STS.
 ST. LOUIS, MO., July 22, 1897.

GENERAL ORDERS }
 NO. 2.

I. The following additional appointments as Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

Christ Moerschel, Post 1, St. Louis.
 Henry Lange, Post 13, St. Louis.
 James A. Elliott, Post 514, Rayville.
 L. S. Boyd, Post 5, Moberly.
 John Adler, Post 468, Higbee.
 Joseph Payne, Post 64, Golden City.
 J. W. Graybeal, Post 253, Raymore.
 Chas. W. Cleaver, Post 553, Kirbyville.
 Thos. Templeton, Post 76, Kidder.
 John Harnois, Post 7, St. Joseph.
 Wm. Leibig, Post 7, St. Joseph.
 John T. Birdseye, Post 26, Nevada.
 Albert Gorty, Post 168, Braymer.
 Max. Fritz, Post 13, St. Louis.
 S. W. Haynes, Post 160, Wheeling.
 S. Kehrman, Post 444, St. Louis.
 M. G. Netherton, Post 222, Bancroft.
 George Hall, Post 72, Trenton.
 Thos. J. Whiteman, Post 282, Carrollton.
 A. S. Prather, Post 254, Forsyth.
 W. B. Mullins, Post 178, Miami.

W. H. Skinner, Post 124, Bethany.
W. F. Henry, Post 8, Kansas City.
D. P. Stubblefield, Post 33, Kingston.
Isaac Leeper, Post 146, Avalon.
Jeff. Vannote, Post 32, Hamilton.
James H. Reading, Post 384, Lowry City.
I. B. Hayworth, Post 250, Mirabile.
Adam Wenzel, Post 2, St. Louis.
A. F. McCray, Post 525, Cowgill.
James J. Peck, Post 96, Maysville.
P. W. Bahl, Post 69, Springfield.
H. C. Montgomery, Post 150, Spickard.
H. L. Allen, Post 45, Oregon.
W. E. Evans, Post 115, Carl Junction.
Hardin Smith, Post 243, Willow Springs.
F. M. Burdick, Post 428, Polo.
John Shaffer, Post 38, LaPlata.
Alf. Brant, Post 4, Kansas City.
A. G. Peterson, Post 131, St. Louis.
Thos. W. Evans, Post 7, St. Joseph.
J. S. Rogers, Post 17, Cameron.
John W. Toppass, Post 29, Chillicothe.
James Wilson, Post 76, Kidder.
J. J. Stanley, Post 79, Princeton.
John Moon, Post 164, Breckenridge.
L. L. Ramey, Post 429, Elkland.
J. F. McDonald, Post 42, Macon.
Chas. E. Koken, Post 301, St. Louis.

II. The Department Commander desires to call the attention of his personal Staff to the fact that he is devoting his entire time to the interests of the Order, and that the appointment of Aides-de-Camp is not to be construed as a mere compliment, but an act involving and demanding of the recipient all the energy, tact and business ability at his command in building up and strengthening the Posts in his immediate vicinity. Aides-de-Camp are expected to personally solicit the return to their respective Posts of every suspended or dropped member of the G. A. R.; to attend their Posts, Campfires and Re-unions whenever possible, and assist in making these gatherings a success. While Aides-de-Camp should have no advice to offer Post officers, they should, at the same time, be prepared to give information when called upon, and render every assistance necessary, or possible, to secure uniformity and prompt obedience to the Rules and Regulations. In short, Aides-de-Camp are appointed for service rather than ornament. The Department Commander will accept every invitation to be present at Post meetings, Re-unions, etc., so far as possible, and

requests the members of his Staff on these occasions to be present in full uniform.

Aides-de-Camp will notify the Assistant Adjutant General of their acceptance of the appointment, upon the receipt of which commissions will be issued.

Aides-de-Camp should wear the badge of their office at all Post meetings or other Grand Army gatherings; they should order the same at once through the Quartermaster of their respective Posts.

III. The attention of comrades is called to the short time that will elapse before the meeting of the Thirty-first National Encampment at Buffalo, N. Y., on Thursday, August 26th. The parade will take place on Wednesday, August 25th.

The Department Commander hopes that the number of comrades in attendance will be sufficient to maintain the prestige and good name established by this Department at former Encampments. Comrades desiring to engage lodging should apply to D. H. Turner, Secretary General Committee, Ellicott Square Building, Buffalo, N. Y.

The railroad fare from St. Louis and return will be \$14.15. The rate from interior points will be one fare for the round trip from such points to St. Louis, added to the rate from St. Louis.

IV. The Department Commander and Staff, on invitation of Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, of St. Louis, will accompany that Post on its special train from St. Louis to Buffalo, via the Wabash route, and which is hereby designated the official route of the Department. Comrades from the interior of the State, desiring to take this train, should see that their tickets read via Wabash route from St. Louis, and those desiring sleeping car accommodations can secure the same by writing at once to the Assistant Adjutant General. The price of a double berth is \$4.00.

V. Notwithstanding the urgent appeal from National Headquarters, in General Orders No. 8 and General Orders No. 1, paragraph IX, from these Headquarters, a large number of Posts have failed to make out and forward semi-annual reports for term ending June 30th, 1897. The Department Commander can conceive of no reasonable excuse for this delinquency; many of these delinquent reports are more than a month over due. The consolidated reports from this Department are now due at National Headquarters, but are delayed on account of the tardiness and want of attention to duty by Post Commanders.

VI. The following Posts have been mustered since last General Orders:

General A. J. Smith Post, No. 559, at Alba, Jasper county. R. Lundy, Special Mustering Officer.

J. A. Hill Post, No. 560, at Ellsinore, Carter county. D. B. Casteel, Special Mustering Officer.

VII. RE-UNIONS.—Notice of the following Re-unions have been received at this office:

Third Congressional District at Maysville, September 14th to 17th, 1897.

Spickard Re-union Association, at Spickard, August 10th to 13th, 1897.

Caldwell County Battalion, at Kidder, August 10th to 13th, 1897.

Old Soldiers' Re-union, at Camden, July 31st, 1897.

Southwestern Veteran Association, at Neosho, August 24th to 28th, 1897.

Third Annual, at Kirbyville, Taney county, July 28th to 31st, 1897.

The Department Commander has accepted the invitation extended by the Department of Kansas to attend the next "Annual Kansas State Soldiers' Re-union," to be held at Leavenworth, October 11th to 16th, and requests the attendance of all comrades of this Department who can conveniently do so.

The Pomme de Terre District Re-union, at Dadeville, August 24 h to 27th, 1897.

Tenth Annual Re-union, at Cassville, Barry county, Mo., August 3d to 6th, 1897. J. A. Livingston, Commander.

Ozark Battalion, at Houston, August 4th to 6th.

VIII. INFORMATION WANTED.—By J. A. Pratt, Adjutant Post 143, Kewanee, Ill., the address of Charles H. Huff.

By W. H. Parker, Newcastle, Ala., the address of any survivors of Company G, 40th Mo. Vol. Inf.

By Lieut. C. E. Johnston, Neebish, Mich., the address of Owen O. Johnston, who was in St. Clair, Mo., in 1892.

By H. J. Maynard, Cheyenne, Wyo., the address of any survivors of Company C, 41st Mo. Vol. Inf.

By C. F. S. Aimes, Russell, Kansas, the address of either Annie McCleary or Ellen D. Eagan, who were nurses at Jefferson City in 1861 and 1862, later at Paducah and Jeffersonville.

By T. W. Dempsey, San Antonio, Texas, the address of any survivors of Company L, 2d, or Company B, 4th Mo. Cav., who knew Wm. Zedwark before or during the war.

[EXTRACT].

GENERAL ORDERS ()
No. 9.

OMAHA, NEB., July 6th, 1897.

Wm. M. Ellis, who was dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic by sentence of a court-martial of Liberty Post No. 150, Department of Missouri, having made application for remission of sentence and re-instatement in said Post, and the said Post asking unanimously that the sentence be remitted, which petition is approved by the Department Commander, the disability resting upon

the said William M. Ellis, by reason of the sentence of said court-martial, is hereby removed, and Liberty Post No. 150, Department of Missouri, is authorized to again receive him into membership.

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By command of

CHAS. E. BURMESTER,
Adjutant General.

T. S. CLARKSON,
Commander-in-Chief.

By command of

JNO. B. PACHALL,
Assistant Adjutant General.

JNO. P. PLATT,
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1708 MARKET STREET.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., August 16, 1897.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No 3. }

I. As stated in previous Orders, the Thirty-first National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Buffalo, New York, during the week beginning August 23d. The parade will take place on Wednesday, the 25th.

II. The Department Commander will have rooms at Iroquois Hotel. The business headquarters will be at Turn Halle, on Ellicott street, between Huron and Genessee streets, where all the comrades are requested to call and register on their arrival. Comrade W. F. Henry, Aide-de-Camp, will have charge of the register.

III. On the day of the parade the Department Officers will report to the above headquarters, in full G. A. R. uniform, at 10 o'clock a. m.

This Department having been assigned to the 7th Division, its Posts and comrades will report for parade at 11 o'clock a. m., on the south side of the lower terrace. Posts will form in the order of seniority, right connecting with the Department of Minnesota, in columns of platoons, eight files front, closed to half distance. Post Commanders will keep their commands closed to within fifteen paces of the Post immediately preceding.

When passing in review all color bearers will salute by dipping the colors. Post Commanders will salute. Comrades in ranks will *not* salute. Bands in close proximity to each other should not play simultaneously, but should keep the time of the band immediately preceding.

IV. The Department Commander, with Frank P. Blair Post No. 1 as escort, will leave St. Louis by special train on the Wabash

Railroad on Sunday, August 22, at 9 o'clock a. m., going direct to Buffalo without change of cars, arriving at 8 o'clock a. m., Monday.

V. The Department Headquarters at St. Louis will be closed from August 21 to September 1. Department badges will be supplied to comrades at Buffalo.

VI. The following additional appointments of Aides-de-Camp are announced:

Robert Jacob, Post 1, St. Louis.

O. P. Smith, Post 8, Kansas City.

W. O. Evans, Post 120, Carl Junction.

Mat. Benson, Post 211, Excelsior Springs.

A. E. Lee, Post 32, Hamilton.

F. R. Smith, Post 546, Newport.

James P. Hook, Post 417, Smithton.

RE-UNIONS.—At Craig, Holt county, August 31 to September 2; at Kahokia, September 29 to October 1; at Cora, September 2 to September 5.

By command of

JNO. B. PACHALI.

JNO. P. PLATT.

Assistant Adjutant General.

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1708 MARKET STREET,

GENERAL ORDERS }
No 4. }

ST. LOUIS, Mo., October 4, 1897.

I. The Thirty-first National Encampment, held in Buffalo, August 23 to 28, 1897, will take its place in the history of the G. A. R. as one of the most notable of G. A. R. encampments ever held, not only in respect to its enthusiasm, but also for the splendor of its parade.

It affords me pleasure to add that the Department of Missouri is entitled to no insignificant share of the praise so deservedly bestowed upon the attractiveness and martial bearing of that great demonstration.

There gathered at Buffalo to take part in that encampment, comrades from every portion of the Union. Their numbers were legion.

To have been there, and to have touched elbows with them, and to have had the opportunity to recount again the story of the marvelous struggle, participation in which gives the members of the G. A. R. their distinguishing characteristic—was indeed a great and enjoyable privilege.

The Department of Missouri was, in point of numbers, well represented. Our comrades by their bearing in line of march, and their

scrupulous attention to their uniforms, conforming strictly to the regulations of the G. A. R., presented an imposing spectacle. It was, in fact, so admirable as to evoke enthusiastic approval from the multitude all along the line. The Missouri division was led by the Posts of St. Louis, followed by contingents from other Posts of the State, and the conduct of all was such as to leave no room for criticism.

To be at the head, as Commander of such a Department of the G. A. R., is indeed an honor; for it never appears before the public but that it must needs acquire, by legitimate methods, additional renown. At other encampments it won distinction by its noble bearing; and now, since the encampment at Buffalo, new laurels are attached to its escutcheon. The comrades there, besides wearing each the blue suit, the slouch hat with cord, tassel and wreath, the white tie and gloves, the Department of Missouri ribbon and the G. A. R. badge, marched with a swinging step and a true alignment, which ever distinguishes a military from a civil body. So marked was the contrast in favor of the Missouri Division, that President McKinley and National Commander Clarkson, from the reviewing stand, and Gen. Doyle, Grand Marshal, and other observing old veterans, expressed in no uncertain terms their admiration of its soldierly appearance and distinguished conduct.

Much of the credit for the success of our Department at Buffalo is due to the skill and foresight of my staff, to whom, owing to my physical infirmities, I entrusted the labor of forming the division and directing its movements in the parade. To one and all I tender my thanks.

The citizens of Buffalo were kind, liberal and hospitable in their conduct towards the old soldiers, and, therefore, in so far as this Department was a recipient of their bounty, I desire in its behalf hereby to express to them my heartfelt gratitude.

Before closing this let me acknowledge my indebtedness for many courtesies to Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, which en route to Buffalo acted as my escort.

II. For the information of the comrades of this Department, the Department Commander again gives notice that the Kansas Annual Reunion takes place at Leavenworth, Kas., October 11th to 16th. The Commander and staff expects to be in attendance, and hopes to see as many of the comrades of this Department there as possible.

III. The following additional appointments of the staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced to be Aides-de-Camp:

J. F. Nichols, Post 392, Southwest City.

W. O. Evans, Post 120, Maple Grove.

A. M. Casteel, Post 560, Ellsinore.

IV. The following Posts have been mustered since last General Orders:

Post 561, Collins, Mo., by Edgar Scott, Special Mustering Officer.

Post 562, Walnut Shade, by A. S. Prather, Special Mustering Officer.

V. **INFORMATION WANTED.**—By J. P. Lockwood of Washington, D. C., the address of Edward or Peter Dunker, heirs of Frederick Dunker, formerly of St. Louis.

By Mary Hehr, Elkhart, Ind., the address of any comrade who knew John G. Hehr, late private Company C, 2d Mo., who was wounded at Wilson's Creek in the three-months' service.

By Edward Bell of North Tonawanda, N. Y., any information regarding Jacob Fridall, who enlisted September 21, 1864, in the city of St. Louis.

By Mrs. H. Williams of Menomarie, Wis., the address of any one who knew Jerry Henrite in the service.

VI. General Orders No. 10, series 1896, and No. 1, current series, National Headquarters, are herewith transmitted.

By command of

JOHN B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

JOHN P. PLATT,

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1708 MARKET STREET,

GENERAL ORDERS ()
No. 5. }

ST. LOUIS, Mo., October 23, 1897.

I. An annual inspection of Posts is required to be made *before* December 31st of each year. The Department Inspector will therefore cause the Posts of this Department to be properly inspected before that date. It is recommended that this should be done as soon as practicable.

If, for any reason, inspection has not been made as required, then the inspection shall be made by the installing officer, before installing the officers. Under a resolution of the National Encampment, officers cannot be installed until after the Post has been inspected. The Senior Past Post Commander present of each Post will act as Assistant Inspector of the Post. If none should be present, the Post Commander will detail a suitable comrade to make the inspection. Blanks, "Form H," for the inspection of Post, with circular letter of the Department Inspector, and printed "Form of Inspection," is enclosed with this order, addressed to the Commander of each Post; also an addressed envelope for sending the report to the Department Inspector.

The Department Commander would especially emphasize the importance of a thorough inspection, and expects to have a report from every Post before December 31st.

The Department Inspector is W. B. Challacombe of Sedalia, Mo., to whom reports should be sent.

II. The Department Commander deems it his duty at this time, in view of the improved financial condition of the country, and the consequent betterment of the condition of the comrades, to urge upon the officers and members of each Post the importance of making an earnest effort to induce all suspended or dropped comrades to return to the camp. Aides-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander are expected to give their personal attention to the reinstating of comrades.

III. The establishment of "pickets" or "outposts" in connection with Posts, wherever circumstances warrant, is recommended. Aides-de-Camp, Post Commanders and other officers are directed to give this subject immediate consideration. Ex-soldiers residing at a distance from any Post, and in sparsely settled districts, should be listed, and brought into affiliation with the order by this means. The necessary instructions for organizing pickets can be found on pages 180 and 181 of the journal of proceedings of the National Encampment held at St. Paul, 1896.

IV. Wanted:

By Comrade C. E. Tewksbury, Springdale, Ark., the address of any member of Co. K, 11th Missouri Infantry.

By Comrade A. B. Logan, Warrensburg, Mo., the address of any officer of Co. H, 40th Iowa, who knew Isaac, or T. J. McConaughy, in the service.

V. Blank forms A and B consolidated, for reports of Adjutant and Quartermaster, will be sent out with next General Orders.

By command of

JOHN B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

JOHN P. PLATT,

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1708 MARKET STREET,

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 6.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., November 30, 1897.

I. The annual election of officers of the Posts of the Department will be held at the first regular meeting in December, 1897.

At the same meeting Posts will elect representatives to the Department Encampment. Each Post is entitled to one representative and one alternate for every fifty members in good standing, and one additional representative and alternate for a final fraction of more than half that number. Posts having less than fifty members are entitled to one representative and one alternate.

II. The basis of representation is the number of members in good standing, as shown by the Adjutant's report for the term ending June 30, 1897.

Posts in arrears for reports or dues are not entitled to representation in the Department Encampment.

III. Post Commanders will immediately after the election report to the Assistant Adjutant General the names of the representatives and alternates elected, with the names of all Past Post Commanders in good standing, on blanks which are herewith enclosed. They will see that the names are plainly and correctly written, and will keep a duplicate report to be presented to the Committee on Credentials at the Department Encampment.

IV. The Seventeenth Annual Encampment will meet at Carthage, upon a date (not earlier than May 10th) to be hereafter determined by the Council of Administration, and will be noted in future Orders.

V. The newly-elected officers will be installed at the first regular meeting in January, 1898, by the Senior Past Post Commander present. If no Past Post Commander is present, then any member of the Department Staff is authorized to act, provided no comrade has been specially detailed for that purpose. The Commander recommends that this service be made a public one in conjunction with the Woman's Relief Corps and the Camp of the Sons of Veterans (when there is one or either of them). Make it as attractive as you can, and invite all veterans and their families to attend. Installing officers, before proceeding with the installation, will ascertain if all reports and dues have been forwarded to Department Headquarters; and where this has not been done, they will *not* proceed until the reports and dues are placed in their hands for that purpose. When a Post has not been inspected, they will proceed to make the inspection before the officers are installed. They will also see that the Quartermaster has filed a satisfactory bond before he is installed.

VI. Duplicate blanks of Forms A and B for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports for the second term of 1897, being the six months ending December 31, herewith enclosed, should be made out at the last meeting in December and forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General in *one envelope* with the *per capita* tax of ten cents for each member in good standing, as shown by the Adjutant's report. Reports should be sent in *immediately* after the last meeting in December, and not be held until the last of the month.

The Post Surgeon's blank, herewith enclosed, should be made out and sent to the Medical Director of the Department in the addressed envelope furnished for that purpose. Great care should be exercised in preparing the mortuary report, giving names in full of all comrades, with their age, rank, company, regiment and date of death.

who died during the year 1897, who were in good standing in the Post.

VII. The Adjutant's blank, enclosed and marked in red ink, should be filled out and returned to this office. The figures denote the number in good standing, as reported by the Adjutant on June 30, and should not be changed; should there be an error, state that fact on the margin.

All gains or losses in membership should be accounted for, and the name of each comrade gained or lost must be given, together with the source or cause of gain or loss, under the proper heading.

The representation of the Department in the next National Encampment is based on the number of members in good standing as reported for this term, and it is hoped that especial efforts will be made to increase our membership by all the means in our power before the end of the year. This can be done largely by the reinstatement of many suspended and dropped members, the list of which is very large. Let each officer and comrade direct his efforts towards this object and the result will be a gratifying increase in our membership and a corresponding decrease of our suspended list.

This office will present to the Post reinstating the greatest number of comrades, during this term, from its suspended or dropped list, a beautiful picture of "Andersonville Prison," by O'Dea. The Committee to be appointed by the Department Commander, in making the award, shall take into consideration the relation the suspended list bears to the whole membership.

VIII. A number of Posts are delinquent for term ending June 30. Commanders of such Posts should make reports for both terms and forward with *per capita* tax for the whole year.

IX. The following additional appointments of Aides-de-Camp are here hereby announced. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

C. J. Lewis, Post 43, Hannibal, Mo.

Charles Englehardt, Post 76, Kidder.

X. Post 426, Hunnewell, has been authorized to change its location to Monroe City.

XI. It appearing to the Department Commander that an emergency exists, calling strongly upon our charity, therefore Post 488 of Pocahontas and Post 387 of Marceline are authorized to circulate appeal for aid within this Department.

XII. WANTED.—Mrs. S. H. Riggins, Braidentown, Fla., the address of Edw. W. Chamberlain, late Col. 49th U. S. C. Infantry.

By command of

JOHN B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

JOHN P. PLATT,

Department Commander.

**HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1708 MARKET STREET,**

GENERAL ORDERS ()
No. 7. (

ST. LOUIS, Mo., February 1, 1898.

I. The Department Council of Administration has selected Thursday and Friday, May 19 and 20, 1898, for the meeting of the Seventeenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, at Carthage. It is expected that Commander-in-Chief J. P. S. Gobin will visit the Encampment on Friday, the 20th.

II. The Post Commander of Post 16 will recommend to these headquarters suitable comrades for appointment as Officer of the Day and Officer of the Guard.

III. The National Countersign for 1898 has been sent to all Posts from which reports have been received; a number of Posts are still delinquent; the Commanders of such Posts should forward reports at once. This includes Inspection, Surgeon, and Chaplain's reports, now past due. If blanks have been lost or mislaid, notify the Assistant Adjutant General, and duplicates will be sent.

IV. The following new Posts have been mustered:

Blue Springs Post, No. 563, Blue Springs.

Gen'l Jno. McNeil Post, No. 564, Queen City.

East Lynne Post, No. 565, East Lynne.

V. The following information is wanted:

By Henry Frank of Carui, Ill., the address of any member of Co. E, 5th Mo. V. I., or Co. C., 30th Mo. V. I., who knew him in the service.

By J. H. Allen of Greenfield, Ark., the address of any member of Co. D, 47th Ill.

By command of

JOHN B. PACHALL,

JOHN P. PLATT,

Assistant Adjutant General.

Department Commander.

**HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1708 MARKET STREET,**

GENERAL ORDERS ()
No. 8. (

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 28th, 1898.

I. As heretofore announced, the Seventeenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held at Carthage, Thursday and Friday, May 19th and 20th, 1898.

II. The Headquarters of the Department will be established at the Hotel Harrington during the Encampment.

The Council of Administration will meet at Headquarters at 2 o'clock P.M., Wednesday, May 18th, 1898.

The Encampment will be called to order at 10:30 o'clock A.M., Thursday, May 19th, in the Opera House.

The Committee on Credentials will be in parlor of Commercial Hotel, adjoining the Opera House, prepared to furnish badges to all entitled to seats in the Encampment, from 4 to 11 P.M. Wednesday, May 18th, and from 7 to 10:30 A.M. Thursday, the 19th.

It is especially urged upon all entitled to seats in the Encampment to present their credentials to this Committee as soon after their arrival in Carthage as possible.

The following-named comrades are detailed to have charge of the Department "Register," viz.: F. Laubach, Post 16, W. H. Haughawout, Post 190, and Henry Pensinger, Post 16, which will be located in the Logan Block, opposite the Opera House.

III. Upon the recommendation of T. B. Tuttle, Commander of Post 16, the following details are hereby made: For Officer of the Day, Charles E. Garlinger; for Officer of the Guard, L. V. Cupp. The Commander of Post 16 will detail the proper Guard, with sufficient reliefs for duty at the Encampment.

The Officer of the Day will report for orders to the Assistant Adjutant General, at Headquarters, at 7 o'clock P.M., Wednesday, May 18th.

IV. The Western Railway Passenger Association have been requested to give us a rate of one cent per mile to and from the Encampment, for the G. A. R., W. R. C. and Sons of Veterans and their friends. This may not be granted, but the St. L. & S. F. Ry. have given assurances that the rate will not exceed one fare for the round trip.

V. The local Committee having in charge all arrangements looking to the entertainment of the Comrades and their friends while in Carthage are earnestly at work, and give assurance that all possible will be done to make the visit one of enjoyment to their guests.

VI. The Committee furnishes the following list of hotels and rates during the Encampment: The Harrington can accommodate 400, at \$2 per day; the Commercial 75, at \$1; the Arlington 75, at \$1; the Carthage 75, at \$1, and boarding houses at 75 cents per day. All applications for accommodation at hotels, boarding or private houses, should be made to R. Lundy, Chairman Assignment Committee.

VII. A number of Posts have failed to forward reports for second term, 1897. In order that *these Posts may be entitled to representation in the Encampment*, and that the Department Roster and Roll of Representatives to Department Encampment may be made complete.

Post Commanders are earnestly requested to cause these reports to be forwarded at once.

The National Countersign has been sent to all Post Commanders whose reports have been received.

VIII. The Department Commander feels gratified at the evidence of increased interest in our order in this Department. The losses during the year ending December 31st, 1897, are less than any year since 1891. Let the comrades touch elbows again and put forth every effort to reclaim the greater part of the five thousand now suspended.

IX. Department and Staff Officers having reports to make to the Department Encampment will send copies of the same to the office of the Assistant Adjutant General on or before April 15th, 1898.

X. National Orders No. 5, and a re-print of the Reports of the Committee on Pensions and School Histories are herewith enclosed.

XI. At the request of Comrade Louis Benecke, President Soldiers' Home Board, the following is published for the information of the comrades: "For the purpose of raising funds to erect a suitable monument to the memory of the rank and file of the Volunteer Union Soldiers of the War of the Rebellion, to be located upon the Cemetery Grounds of the Federal Soldiers' Home of Missouri, near St. James, Missouri, the Board of Trustees of said Home request that a contribution be taken on Memorial Day and the proceeds be forwarded to Chas. F. Vogel, Treasurer, 718 Chestnut Street, St. Louis, Missouri.

"The various G. A. R. Posts, Sons of Veterans Camps, W. R. C. and L. of G. A. R. and other Patriotic Associations, are requested to make a special effort for that purpose."

XII. Post 548, Boylers Mills, Missouri, is authorized to circulate an appeal for aid in behalf of the widow of a deceased comrade.

Post 387, Marcelline, is authorized to circulate appeal for aid in behalf of Comrade Geo. W. Little, who lost his house and contents by fire, and who is unable to earn a living.

Addresses wanted - Of any member of Co. D, 29th Reg. U. S. C. Inf't. who knew Geo. Adams in the service.

By command of

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

JNO. P. PLATT,

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
1708 MARKET STREET,

GENERAL ORDERS }
NO. 9. }

ST. LOUIS, MO., April 20th, 1898.

I. A sacred custom established by the Grand Army of the Republic, and now made a legal holiday by a grateful nation, May 30th has been set apart as Memorial Day.

II. It brings very vividly to our memory those dark days of war, and the upspringing grasses, bursting leaf buds, blossoming flowers, and the glad bird songs, all remind us of the near approach of that sadly sweet day of tender memories dear to every loyal heart.

III. And in obedience to General Orders, National Headquarters, this announcement is made. And all the comrades of this Department, Sons of Veterans, Woman's Relief Corps, Daughters of Veterans, and all citizens, and especially the children of the public schools, are earnestly requested to assemble and participate in these exercises, and to discountenance on this day all games and worldly amusements.

IV. Under God, it is to our dead heroes and our living comrades that we owe our nationality and its life. Over the mounds where sleep our patriot dead let us renew our vows of fealty to the cause for which they died, and resolve that our country shall remain forever where they have helped to place it—foremost and peerless among the nations of the earth. Brave men, noble martyrs, they have not lived in vain; neither did they die for naught. A nation was saved by their patriotic valor, and a grateful nation will pause in her career on this day to weep at their graves, in the memory she cherishes for them in her deep debt of gratitude.

“ Then sleep, comrades, sleep in thy patriot grave,
Thy prison of clay is the home of the brave;
Yes sleep, comrades, sleep in the land you helped save,
The flag of our country will over you wave.”

V. Posts are requested to attend services in a body on Sunday preceding Memorial Day, inviting all to participate in our services.

By command of

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

JOHN P. PLATT,

Department Commander.

**HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
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GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 10. }

ST. LOUIS, MO., April 21, 1898.

I. The Western Passenger Association have announced a rate of one fare for the round trip, from all stations in Missouri to Carthage and return, on account of the Seventeenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R., the Woman's Relief Corps, the Sons of Veterans, and kindred organizations and their friends. Tickets to be on sale May 17th; good returning to include the 21st. Post Commanders along the various railway lines will call the attention of the local ticket agents to the rate made, that they may provide themselves with proper tickets.

II. The following comrades are appointed a Committee on Credentials:

J. L. Moore, Post 16.

F. F. Snow, Post 4.

J. F. Cluley, Post 131.

W. E. Evans, Post 115.

W. D. Hubbard, Post 69.

The Committee will meet in parlor of Commercial Hotel, at 4 P.M., May 18th, prepared to issue badges to all members of the Encampment.

III. Attention to paragraph II, General Orders, National Headquarters, asking for contributions to the fund to provide flags and flowers for the decoration of the graves of our comrades in National Cemeteries in the Southern Departments. Let contributions be taken by the Posts in this Department, and the remittances be promptly made to Thos. J. Stewart, Adjutant General, Fifth and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

IV. Post Commanders are charged with the duty of reporting to the Assistant Adjutant General the name of any and all veterans of the war who are inmates of insane asylums or other institutions for the treatment of the insane, located in their respective counties. This is to the end that proper steps may be taken for the care of these unfortunates who cannot be admitted to the "Soldiers' Homes."

V. For the information and accommodation of Post Quartermasters of Posts located at interior points, from whom several requests for flags have been received, it is announced that the Assistant Adjutant General will take pleasure in executing any orders for such material as Posts may desire.

VI. The Department Commander calls attention to the fact that a condition of war exists between our country and Spain, and that the patriotic fires of '61 are being re-kindled in every hamlet from Maine to the Rio Grand, and from our northern border to the Gulf.

The Government again needs the services of her loyal sons. While age and its attendant ills will prevent the great majority of our comrades from rendering active service in the field with the army of invasion; yet, they can enroll themselves in the "*National Volunteer Reserve*," and thus make their influence felt in the direction of loyalty to the flag, and aid in wiping out the insult to it by the cowardly destruction of the Maine and her gallant crew.

This patriotic organization has the endorsement of Secretaries of War and of the Navy. Our Commander-in-Chief, J. P. S. Gobin, is a member of the Military Committee, which is presided over by Jno. M. Scofield, Lieutenant General U. S. A. (retired), with Lieutenant General James Longstreet (ex-confederate), Vice-Chairman, and A. McD. McCook, Maj. General U. S. A. (retired), Secretary.

VII. On account of the size of the printed proceedings of the Thirty-first National Encampment and consequent cost of postage, in the line of economy it is deemed wise to make the distribution to the Posts, not yet supplied, through their representatives at Carthage.

VIII. Upon information of J. J. Montgomery, P. C. Post 194, the comrades are warned against one Rockwell, who has been soliciting subscriptions for some G. A. R. paper. Last heard of at Stockton, Missouri.

By command of

JNO. B. PACHALL,

Assistant Adjutant General.

JOHN P. PLATT,

Department Commander.

PROCEEDINGS

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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT

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DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

— HELD AT —

KIRKSVILLE, MISSOURI,

May, 11 and 12, 1899.

Reported by Comrade Frank E. Nevins, Stenographer, Ransom Post No 131,
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C. F. Peterson

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

The Third Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri adopted the following *Order of Business* and the *Rules of Order* for the National Encampment, so far as the same may be applicable to a Department.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. **Opening of the Encampment.**
2. **Calling Roll of Officers.**
3. **Report of Committee on Credentials.**
4. **Calling Roll of Members.**
5. **Reports of Officers.**
6. **Appointment of Committee on Reports of Officers, and such other Committees as may be necessary.**
7. **Reception and Reference of Communications.**
8. **Reports of Committees.**
9. **Miscellaneous Business.**
10. **Election of Officers and Delegates to National Encampment.**
11. **Installation of Officers.**

PROCEEDINGS
— OF THE —
Eighteenth Annual Encampment
— OF THE —
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
— HELD AT —
KIRKSVILLE, MISSOURI, MAY 11 AND 12, 1899.

FIRST DAY, 10:30 O'CLOCK A.M.

The Eighteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri, in pursuance of General Orders No. 8, convened in the Opera House at 10:30 o'clock A.M., May 11th, 1899, and was called to order by the Department Commander, Andrew G. Peterson.

The Department Commander: Comrades, if you will give us your attention, we will proceed to business. I will only say we are met to day in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, to sustain the great principles of our association. I will now ask the Chaplain to invoke the Divine blessing.

Rev. T. J. Ferril, Department Chaplain, offered prayer as follows:

O Lord, we thank Thee for Thy wonderful preserving care which Thou hast had over us all along the journey of life. Thou hast been around about our pathway. When we could not care for ourselves, Thou hast cared for us. When the missiles of death were flying about us, the hand of God was over us for good. As we are brought to see the light of this beautiful day, as we come together in our annual meeting, we pray Thy special blessing to rest upon us. Thou hast been with us in the past, and we hope that Thou wilt be with us this morning, and all along the journey of life, and choose out all our changes for us, and preside over our thoughts and our actions, and keep us in

the highway that leads to the gates of pearl; and may we so live that we may win the approbation of God. We pray Thy blessing upon all the Comrades present and those that are at home this morning. In this jurisdiction there may be some in-doors this morning that will never go out again. Be Thou with them in their afflictions. May it be light in their dwellings. May the power of the Almighty defend them, and may honors around them cluster. We pray Thy blessing upon those that are in the tented field to-day. We pray Thee to take care of their lives and health; and Thou that hast given us victory in the years that are past, be Thou with them and give them victory, and make the Stars and Stripes, as in the past, triumphant on every battlefield. Bless, O Lord, the homes of those who have lost dear ones in the last conflict. Be Thou with them in their tears. Whisper words of encouragement to their hearts, and sing a lullaby to their souls. And now here we commit our interests for time and eternity into Thy hands. Guide and keep us, and may we fight the good fight of faith, that we may wear a victorious crown and live in that city whose maker and builder is God, and Thy name shall have all the praise for evermore. Amen.

The Department Commander: Comrades, in presiding over your deliberations to-day, I want to say that I am no parliamentarian, nor do I consider myself even a fair presiding officer. I am apt to make mistakes, and no doubt I shall make them; but if I do make a mistake I want you to bear in mind the story of the pianist who presided at an old rickety piano in a concert hall in one of the back cities in one of our far western territories. You will remember that over the piano he had a placard, so that it could be seen in all parts of the room, on which was written, "Don't shoot the pianist. He is doing the best he can." And so I say to you, don't shoot me, Comrades; I will do the best I can. (Laughter and applause.) I will now ask the Kansas City Quartette to give us an opening song.

The Kansas City Quartette being called to the platform, were saluted with applause, and sang a song with good effect.

Comrade Leo Rassieur: I notice the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army in the ante-room, and I, therefore, move the appointment of a committee to escort him into this hall.

The Department Commander: It is hardly necessary to make a motion to that effect. I will appoint Comrade Leo Rassieur, Comrade George W. Martin and Comrade John W. Scott a committee to escort the Commander-in-Chief to the platform. I notice Commander Coulter on the floor, Department Commander of Kansas. I will ask him to take a seat with us on the platform.

The committee escorted the Commander-in-Chief to the platform amid great applause.

The Department Commander: Commander-in-Chief, on behalf of the Department of Missouri. I extend to you a most cordial welcome. We are glad to have you with us to-day. I will ask you to accept the salutation of this Department.

At the command, the Comrades arose and saluted the Commander-in-Chief.

Comrade Seaber, Post Commander of Post 22, was then introduced by the Department Commander, and addressed the Encampment as follows:

Department Commander and Comrades—On behalf of Corporal Dix Post No. 22, and of the Mayor and City Council, and the citizens of Kirksville, I have the honor of bidding you welcome to our city. Comrades, you will remember that when a year ago I asked you to come here, I was the only person from this city to make the request. At that time we had won but one victory at Manila. Dewey had shown the world that he was more than a match for the Spanish Admiral. (Applause.) Since then, Comrades, the American sailor and soldier has shown the world that he is invincible. I asked you at that time to come here and help us rejoice at the victory we had won, and to celebrate the victories we were to gain during the coming year. Those victories have been won by a body of men who fought from Sumpter to Appomattox; by those old soldiers in blue who have made "Old Glory" known and respected all over the world.

Another thing we must remember, that the troops in the last war were led by veterans, who themselves fought on the bloody fields of Shiloh, Gettysburg and Chickamauga, and who, in the Civil War, were leaders on both sides—men who fought with Grant and Sherman all through the Civil War, and men who fought with Meade and Hancock, and the men who were with Lee and Jackson. They are the men who led these young men of this Union against Spain, and who are now leading them against the Filipinos.

Now, Comrades, I ask you to-day to rejoice with us over these splendid victories that we have gained. I want to say this in explanation: that just at the time we were in full preparation for these exercises, the powers of the air struck our fair city and left a scar upon its face; but we want you to understand that had it destroyed a thousand people instead of the thirty or more, whose glad hands would have been extended to you and whose homes would have been open to you on this occasion, and who now lie nerveless in their graves, yet you still would have been welcomed by our citizens who love to honor you. So that while we meet you with the joy of victory, and while we give you a hearty welcome, you must still remember that there are some sad hearts amongst us for those who are gone; and remember that if you find commingled with our welcome any apparent lack of enthus-

iasm, consider that it is caused by this disaster that came upon us with such sad results, and that every interest in the city has been busily engaged in taking care of those who were afflicted and in distress; and I am sure, Comrades, that in that respect you will understand and appreciate the sadness of our hearts, and that our short-comings, if any, will be condoned on that account.

Now, Commander, I am directed to present you with this gavel. This gavel was carved out of the wooden smile that rested upon the features of Hobson when all the girls kissed him. (Laughter and applause.)

The Department Commander: I will ask Comrade Hagerty to respond on behalf of the Department.

Comrade Hagerty: Commander-in-Chief, Commander and Comrade Seaber—We remember very well, sir, the kindly invitation you gave us a year ago, and we were very fortunate in accepting the invitation to come to this fair city of the northwest of our noble State. We do rejoice with you, Comrades, in the wonderful victories that have been gained, and the victories that are to be gained. We rejoice over it all. We were anticipating a gala time here in this pretty city, but it was your misfortune, Comrade, to have to speak of the terrible calamity that has befallen it. We thought, when the telegraph brought the news, that it would require a removal of the place of our meeting. Very shortly after the news came, I inquired of the Commander as to whether he had heard from Kirksville, and he said, "I have already telegraphed them, and I will find out in a short time;" and, just like a noble band of Comrades, and like the city of Kirksville, they responded in language something like this: "Kirksville is cast down, but not dismayed; come on." Now, Comrades, I believe, after all, while we drop a tear over the fallen, and offer a prayer for those who have been stricken, and while many of the people of Kirksville lie suffering and wounded at the present hour, and are some of them homeless and in distress, that the great Power above us which orders everything for the best, will pour a balm into these wounded hearts, and will make this calamity serve a wise and useful purpose. While we drop a tear over the graves of those who have fallen, we cannot but admire the heroism of the people of Kirksville, who sent us word, "Come on; we will entertain you." And here we are, my Comrades. It is not necessary for me to ask these Comrades to have a kindly feeling towards anything that may otherwise appear to be out of time; for I can tell you that this noble band of men are ready to sympathize with you in your suffering, and to do everything in their power to help you, and my prediction is that there is no Comrade here who will go away and raise a complaint against Kirksville. And we will rejoice with you on the day that we are mustered out that we were fortunate enough to visit your fair city on the occasion of an Annual Encampment, for we know that after the

storm comes the sun, and the storms of yesterday will pass away and leave you brighter and stronger than you were before. I trust, though we may come here no more, that we shall meet on the great camping ground upon the other shore. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: On account of the condition of my throat, I will ask Comrade Henry, Senior Vice Department Commander, to introduce our Commander-in-Chief, Comrade Johnson.

Senior Vice Commander Henry: Commander and Comrades—I hardly think it necessary for me to make any extended remarks in this introduction. I know you are all glad to meet and greet our Commander-in-Chief. It was my pleasure upon the floor of the National Encampment, at Cincinnati, to be one of those who seconded his nomination, and his election was made unanimous. He was the unanimous choice of the great National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic for the office of Senior Vice Commander. Circumstances have made it such that he is now the acting Commander-in-Chief, death having taken away his senior in command. He is dear to the hearts of all who know him. He is from Ohio, and Ohio is a great State to be born in. I was born there myself. (Applause and laughter.) We have great pleasure this morning in having the Commander-in-Chief with us at the opening of our Encampment, and it will be your pleasure, as I know it will be my delight, to listen to the words of our Commander-in-Chief. (Applause.)

The Commander-in-Chief: Department Commander and Comrades of the Department of Missouri—It affords me genuine pleasure to be present with you upon this occasion. I have had the pleasure of meeting many of the Comrades of this Department at other Encampments, but never before in meeting with you at your own home Encampment. I thank you for the warm, generous and fraternal greeting received. I notice here, as elsewhere, there is a strong tendency towards mixing the "Blue" and the "Gray;" that is, in looking upon you, I see many gray heads and gray beards among the blue coats. Well, they seem to mix better than the "Blue" and the "Gray" used to some years ago, when the gray was not so much on our heads as in our minds, and sometimes at our heels; but, thank God, those days are over. We now have one Country and one Flag, and are a united people, all working together, shoulder to shoulder, for the advancement and glory of this great nation, which you, Comrades, you who were "behind the guns," through and by your great sacrifices, heroic deeds, and unparalleled bravery, preserved and re-established upon the broad principles laid down and inaugurated by the valor and patriotism of our forefathers—of eternal justice, freedom and liberty, equal rights, one and inseparable.

When the mailed hand of treason and disunion raised its venomous head and threatened to disrupt and destroy the sacred institutions and

principles so dear to the loyal and true American's heart, the gift and heritage handed down by our forefathers—aye, when the very life of the Nation was threatened, and, as it were, hung upon the very points of the bayonets of the brave soldiers of the Union army—it was you, my Comrades, who by your bravery and heroism dared to do, and bared your breasts to the storm and carnage of battle, offering your very lives a willing sacrifice that the country might live, and that, as a united people, this country might enjoy the blessings vouchsafed and established by the Revolutionary Fathers forever. After years of struggle and the many hard-fought battles victory perched upon our banners, but at a heavy cost of blood and treasure; yet the country was saved, and you, my Comrades, are a part of the remnant of that great army of noble patriots, through whose veins courses the proudest and best blood of the land, whose manhood and patriotism were severely tested upon many a crimsoned battlefield. But, Comrades, the milestones that mark the years of life are rapidly being passed, and we are entering the shadows of the evening of life. Already a large part of that great army has answered the last roll-call and passed over the River to join the Great Grand Army, now so rapidly reassembling on "Fame's Eternal Camping Ground;" realizing this, as we must, let us get closer together—more firmly unite and cement the bonds of fellowship and comradeship. Let us strengthen those ties of fraternal love and friendship—those sacred ties, which were born amid the flame and smoke of battle, on the long weary marches, in camp, and prison pens. Let us more earnestly emphasize and exemplify that grand trinity of words upon which our order is founded—"Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty." Let us seek to be more harmonious, and forget the dissensions and discords in our ranks of the past, and close up the ranks; and, as in the days of yore we marched with closed ranks and solid columns to the battlefield, so now let us march on in closed ranks and solid phalanx as we approach the "Eternal Camping Ground."

It is a special pleasure to me to meet with you to-day, because I have been much pleased and interested with the reports that have reached me from the Department of Missouri; of the work that has been done during the past year through the active, untiring energy and patriotic zeal of your Department Commander, Comrade Peterson. The tone and spirit of the general orders issued by him have been inspiring, and manifested a deep interest in the welfare of the order. The persistent and judicious efforts he has made to reclaim and bring back into the ranks the "dropped and suspended" membership is most commendable. I believe that no worthy old Union veteran of the Civil War should be outside the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic. I believe that he should not deprive himself or his family the high privilege and honor that attaches to the wearing of the "button" and "badge" of the Grand Army of the Republic. I am aware that the infirmities of old age have a tendency to lessen somewhat the attractions and per-

haps interest of the Post room, because, it may be, from inability to attend the meetings regularly or often; but, Comrades, keep your membership and names upon that "priceless" roll of honor—the Grand Army of the Republic. Its influence and benefits are far reaching. The very sight of an old veteran with his blue coat and G. A. R. button and badge to the youths of the land makes deep and lasting impression that will never be forgotten. It commands respect, veneration and reverence, and inspires in the hearts of the sons and daughters of the land higher and loftier ideas of the blessings now so richly enjoyed, because of the fact that there was a Grand Army of patriotic sons in '61-'65 to go forth and do battle for their country, and thereby vouchsafe the blessings now enjoyed by all. The very atmosphere all over the country that is breathed and drank in by the school children and youth of our land is saturated, permeated and impregnated with patriotism, love of Country and Flag that was wafted on the breezes from out the G. A. R. Post rooms. Comrades, there is more patriotism, more love of country, and a higher reverence for the Old Flag today in these United States than ever before since the days of Washington. Can there be any doubt or question in the mind of anyone from whence it largely comes? Has not the Grand Army of the Republic for thirty-three years past been teaching by precept and example lessons of patriotism, loyalty, love of country, and reverence to the Old Flag, in season and out of season. Has not its influence, its public parades, its Memorial Days, its hoisting of the flag upon the school houses of the land, its patriotic publications and songs, its public utterances and addresses—all these, and much more, aided by that noble band of patriotic ladies, the Women's Relief Corps, and other auxiliaries. Aye, has not the very administration of the affairs of this country been guided and outlined for the last thirty-three years by those who are proud to wear the button and badge of the G. A. R.? Have not the halls of Congress, and other offices of trust and responsibility, been largely filled and controlled by those who wear the button and badge, and wielded their influence and made their impress upon the great interests of the country?

I once heard a gentleman of intelligence, occupying a prominent position in the community in which he lived, make the statement "that so long as the Grand Army of the Republic existed this country was safe." Now, Comrades, let us continue this grand work of our organization. Let us keep alive and brightly burning upon the altar of our country that old spirit of loyalty that was handed down from our fathers—that old spirit that fired the hearts and souls of the boys of '61-'65 to deeds of valor and heroism that stand without a parallel in the annals of the world. That old spirit that one year ago last April, when a call was made by Comrade Wm. McKinley, President of the United States, for 200,000 volunteers was answered by 500,000 to engage in war with Spain in the interest of justice, liberty and human-

ity, for an oppressed and down-trodden people, to free them from that old relic of barbarism—Spain. And how well they did it! Comrades, they were American soldiers and sailors, the bravest and best of the world. Yes, Comrades, let us keep that old spirit alive, that it may, as a “priceless” heritage, be handed down from one generation to another until the end of time.

Senior Vice Commander Henry: One year ago at Carthage, Missouri, we had the pleasure of being greeted by the Department Commander of Kansas. You remember his loyal and splendid words to us and his general bearing. He was a man who impressed every one who met him as being a gentleman and a man of business, and he so conducted the affairs of the Department last year that there was a net gain in the Department of one thousand members. Notwithstanding that the number of survivors of the Civil War are growing smaller, yet the Department of Kansas grew one thousand members during the last year under the commandership of Comrade Eastman. I received a letter from him yesterday morning, in which he sends greetings to the members of Missouri, and especially to the mayor and citizens of Kirksville. I will read the letter:

“I hope you will have a pleasant time at Kirksville. I had anticipated being there with you in your Encampment, but I find it impossible to get away. Thirty-seven years ago, the 28th of July, I was there for a short time, but most of the time I longed to be somewhere else; the reception given me was too warm. I have never been there since. I have no doubt much of the anticipated pleasure of the meeting there will be destroyed on account of the terrible disaster which has so recently befallen the beautiful city.

“Convey to the bereaved Comrades and friends my most heartfelt and sincere sympathy in their affliction. May they walk ‘through the valley of the shadow of death and fear no evil.’ May it be said of them, ‘These are they that have come out of great tribulation and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.’ I hope we may all live so that at last ‘The Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed us and shall lead us unto living fountains of waters, and God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes’; where ‘there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying, nor any more pain,’ where God is the light of the eternal city.

Very sincerely your friend,

D. W. EASTMAN.”

Now to-day we have with us again the Commander of the Department of Kansas. He belonged to a regiment known as the blind half-hundred of the 50th Illinois. I reckon there were no regiments that were better foragers, and who stole more chickens and anything else they wanted, than the blind half-hundred. And following out the same principle since he was mustered out of service, our Comrade has stolen his way along through life, and he has stolen into the hearts of the people wherever he has gone, and so largely has he stolen his way into the affections of our Comrades of Kansas that they have elected him by a majority of two to one to be Commander of that Department.

I have the pleasure of introducing to you now, Commander O. H. Coulter, of the Department of Kansas. (Applause.)

Commander Coulter: Department Commander and Comrades of the Department of Missouri—I am glad, Comrades of the Department of Missouri, to stand before you this morning representing the Department of Kansas, and on their behalf to extend to you a heartfelt and cordial greeting. Last year it was my pleasure to appear before you with my Department Commander, of whom the Senior Vice Commander has told you some good news. The last year's work in our Department has proved that there were still Comrades outside of our ranks enough to fill up and keep even with those Comrades who are being mustered on the other shore. I started out as the Department Commander of Kansas this year under more favorable auspices, and I resolved that I would not serve all the year unless I made some progress in filling up the ranks of the Grand Army. Comrades, I believe that the Grand Army of the Republic was founded and built upon the grandest and most sacred obligations, and the most solemn ties that bind men together, and I believe that every man who is entitled to membership in our Order ought to be mustered within our ranks. Comrades, we have a high purpose to perform. Day after day we see some of our crippled Comrades suffering and dying in want. Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, the ties that bind you and I together in this organization were welded on the field of battle and under the fire of battle, and it is a comradeship of sympathy and a comradeship of love for each other. There is no insurance feature or anything of that kind to be gained by being a member of this Order, but it is a welding together and a comradeship of love and sympathy for every Comrade who may be in distress or want. Comrades, it is our duty to see to-day that the widows and the orphans of our deceased Comrades who need assistance shall receive our kindly care and ministrations. There are some things, Comrades, that concern us seriously, and there are some things that I am sure you will take up and consider at this Encampment. I want to ask you, Comrades, to remember that it was through the efforts of these men that this great nation was preserved, and it was they who followed the flag and made it what it is. We, as members of the Grand Army, have pledged our Comrades of this nation that we will stand by them and defend them. We are not asking now, nor did the National Encampment last year ask, for new and additional legislation; but what we do ask, Comrades, is—and we ask it with all seriousness—that the administration of the Pension Office will deal out justly and deal out honestly to the Comrades who are applying for relief, as the law on the statute books now prescribes, that just and fair reward to which they are entitled. (Applause.)

Hundreds of our Comrades are waiting with impatience for the

action of the Pension Department upon their claims, and some of them have been waiting many years, and finally the news comes that their claim is rejected. My Comrades, I cannot now go into detail in this matter. I do not want to. I want to come to you with this message, however, from our Comrades in Kansas; I want to ask Comrades from other Departments, and from this great Department of Missouri, to stand along with us in demanding that these wrongs now be righted, and speedily righted. (Applause.) I am glad with you, my Comrades, that we have at the head of this great nation a Comrade who has led us safely and gallantly through our recent troubles, and who will bring Old Glory out and cause it to float over every spot of land where it has been placed. I am glad with you that we have a President who stood with us from 1861 to 1865, and who will safely guide this nation through its present troubles to glorious victories. We are glad that we have such a man as William McKinley as our Commander-in-Chief. Some of our men from Kansas have distinguished themselves at Manila. We have a Comrade by the name of Funston (loud cheering). Have you heard of him? He is with the boys of the 20th Kansas. I am glad to say that Kansas will be on the front line with Missouri, and if you want to gather any glory in the future, stand close to Kansas. (Applause.)

The Roll of Officers was called by Assistant Adjutant General J. B. Wilde, as follows. Those present are marked with an asterisk (*):

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

* A. G. PETERSON.

SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

* WILBUR F. HENRY.

JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER,

THOS. B. TUTTLE,

MEDICAL DIRECTOR,

* IRA T. BRONSON, M. D.

CHAPLAIN,

* T. J. FERRIL.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL,

* JAS. B. WILDE.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,

THOS. S. MAXWELL.

JUDGE ADVOCATE,

* GEORGE HALL.

INSPECTOR,

FRANK BUCHANAN.

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER,
• LOUIS F. KLOSTERMAN.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,
N. W. TAYLOR, • ARNOLD BECK, • FRANCIS P. BECKER,
• WM. LOWE, I. W. CARMACK.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS,

• WM. WARNER.	• GEO. W. MARTIN.
W. F. CHAMBERLAIN.	• C. W. WHITEHEAD.
NELSON COLE.	• CHAS. G. BURTON.
† E. E. KIMBALL.	• LOUIS GRUND.
HIRAM SMITH, Jr.	• LOUIS BENECKE.
JNO. E. PHELPS.	• THOS. B. RODGERS.
• LEO RASSIEUR.	• JOHN P. PLATT.

† Deceased.

The Committee on Credentials, through Comrade Scherer, chairman, submitted the following report of those present and entitled to seats in the Encampment, which was, on motion, adopted:

ROLL OF THE EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,
DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R.

Held at Kirksville, May 11th and 12th, 1899.

Frank P. Blair Post No. 1, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Thos. H. Macklind.

Past Post Commanders, Thos. B. Rodgers, Arthur Dreifus, Chas. F. Vogel, Sol. Boehm, W. J. Dale, Leo Rassieur.

Representatives, Edward Hitchcock, Christian Fricke, G. W. Carmichael, Adam Fischer, Wm. F. Silverwood, Michael Fritz, H. Helmich, Fred. Schoening, A. O. Engleman, Wm. Pachadag, John Lindecker, A. A. Yarrington.

Gen. Lyon Post No. 2, St. Louis.

Past Post Commander, Jacob M. Gruen.

Representatives, Casper Stolle, C. Branahl, Chas. Human.

McPherson Post No. 4, Kansas City.

Past Post Commander, C. W. Clark.

Abraham Lincoln Post No. 5, Moberly.

Post Commander, J. B. Williams.

Past Post Commanders, A. B. Thompson, J. W. Scott, R. T. McCaskey, G. P. Shedd, W. S. Betts, Aug. Last, J. B. Cotty, A. McCandless, W. B. Stewart.

Representatives, E. T. Fisher, J. N. Roberts.

Custer Post No. 7, St. Joseph.

Past Post Commanders, L. E. Carter, J. Harnois, C. A. Mosman.

Representatives, T. D. Roberts, Thos. J. Ferril.

Farragut-Thomas Post No. 8, Kansas City.

Post Commander, W. H. Wormstead.

Past Post Commanders, Wm. Warner, W. F. Henry, O. H. Guffin, W. J. Elliott, C. W. Whitehead, O. P. Smith.

Representatives, C. N. Brooks, E. J. McWain.

Ellsworth Post No. 12, Grant City.

Representative, Thos. H. Logan.

Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Chas. Biehle.

Past Post Commanders, Louis Grund, J. G. Zimmerer, L. C. Hesse, Ernest Kretschmar, Peter Bobe, H. B. Kramer, C. Totsch, John A. Goeb, Ig. Hartman, St. Schwartz.

Representatives, Francis P. Becker, Martin Scherer, Wm. Hahn, Max Fritz, Henry Miller, Anton Demuth, Henry Lang, Philip W. Schneider, Her. Angermueller, M. J. Scheider.

O. P. Morton Post No. 14, Joplin.

Past Post Commander, J. L. Briggs.

Joseph Hooker Post No. 17, Cameron.

Post Commander, J. S. Rogers.

Past Post Commander, W. W. Knoop.

Representative, E. D. Cornish.

Phil. Kearney Post No. 19, Laclede.

Representative, C. C. Haight.

Sedgwick Post No. 21, Maryville.

Representatives, John Moore, J. V. Gallion.

Corporal Dix Post No. 22, Kirksville.

Post Commander, Alfred N. Seaber.

Past Post Commanders, Jacob Sands, B. F. Heiny, John Shazer, W. D. Sigler, Jas. Kinnear, Solomon Couder, Abner E. Johnson, O. C. Snyder, T. J. Dockery, W. H. Chadayne, J. C. Fish.

Representatives, Ira G. Kinney, J. M. McCall, Michael King.

F. A. Jones Post No. 23, Macon.

Past Post Commanders, S. J. Wilson, C. W. Haynes, C. R. Haverly,
C. P. Hess, J. N. Ketchum.

Representative, C. C. Burge.

David A. Roberts Post No. 25, Glenwood.

Post Commander, H. O. Owen.

Past Post Commanders, J. P. Smith, Z. M. Atterbury.

Representative, Melvin Sweet.

Gen. Joe Bailey Post No. 26, Nevada.

Post Commander, J. M. Monroe.

Past Post Commander, C. G. Burton.

Representatives, M. T. Hill, S. F. Hatton.

Tindall Post No. 29, Chillicothe.

Past Post Commanders, J. B. Tanner, J. M. Vorris, John W. Top-
pass.

Representative, James Bench.

S. A. Hurlbut Post No. 32, Hamilton.

Representative, Jeff. Van Note.

Ben Loan Post No. 33, Kingston.

Past Post Commander, Jno. P. Platt.

McCook Post No. 34, Lamar.

Representative, M. H. Cox.

Paddy Shields Post No. 36, Clarence.

Post Commander, R. L. Durham.

Past Post Commanders, P. P. Burkholder, H. F. Glahn, A. Lan-
genback, Miles Thompson.

Representative, Jas. H. Hodgins.

Col. Forbes Post No. 38, La Plata.

Post Commander, J. W. Saunders.

Past Post Commanders, C. S. Edwards, Jno. J. Ausmus, Geo. Ash-
lock, J. Turrell, John Shaffer, C. Rounds, J. M. Traylor.

Representative, Jefferson Lea.

R. Rockwood Post No. 39, Xenia.

Post Commander, Wm. H. Fightmaster.

Past Post Commanders, L. Torrey, Geo. Houston, J. W. Hackney,
Geo. Peck.

Representative, Milton Campbell.

Peabody Post No. 41, Savannah.

Past Post Commander, W. M. Kerr.

Albert Chandler Post No. 42, Macon City.

Post Commander, Robt. Powell.

Past Post Commanders, James Davis, J. F. McDonald.

Representative, Ben Austin.

Wm. T. Sherman Post No. 43, Hannibal.

Post Commander, Deloss McKomas.

Past Post Commander, B. F. Fields.

McCullough Post No. 44, Milan.

Post Commander, Jno. M. Summers.

Past Post Commanders, Dr. H. Fox, G. W. Riggen, Jno. M. Somers,
Jno. M. Swallow.

Representative, Henry Helwig.

Christlan Meyer Post No. 45, Oregon.

Representative, D. P. Dobyns.

Capt. J. L. Clark Post No. 47, Green City.

Post Commander, Victor Aubry.

Past Post Commanders, Joel L. Downing, D. B. Williams, J. G.
McCully, Geo. W. Reed.

Representative, W. C. Ayers.

Gen. Geo. G. Meade Post No. 48, Lebanon.

Past Post Commander, A. Fayant.

Gen. Geo. R. Smith Post No. 53, Sedalia.

Post Commander, E. W. Green.

Past Post Commanders, W. A. Fast, John Rippy, Ira T. Bronson,
J. W. Truxel.

Representatives, J. W. Trader, N. H. Rogers, Geo. Hofferbert.

Thos. G. Wade Post No. 54, Unionville.

Post Commander, Dan L. Cook.

Past Post Commanders, S. B. Davidson, W. A. Shelton, D. S. Smith,
A. J. Bennett, J. B. Harper, H. H. Earhart, L. T. Robison, G. W.
Porter.

Representative, Jacob Garver.

O. H. Wood Post No. 57, Brookfield.

Post Commander, Job L. Haas.

Past Post Commanders, J. G. Banning, A. J. Lanning, J. M. Sheets,
J. V. Martin, Geo. R. Havens, Wm. Sapp, R. W. Davis.

Representative, Hubbard Hart.

Bates County Post No. 58, Butler.

Past Post Commander, Joshua Evilsizer.

Representatives, Frank Voris, M. L. Fry.

Gen. H. Blunt Post No. 59, Pollock.

Past Post Commanders, John Ellison, G. W. Mason, S. W. McDonald.

Representative, G. W. Scobee.

Gen. Wadsworth Post No. 60, Dawn.

Past Post Commander, F. A. Snider.

Golden City Post No. 64, Golden City.

Past Post Commander, W. F. Stemmons.

Col. W. Wilkerson Post No. 65, Mound City.

Representative, J. H. Punshon

Tarkio Post No. 67, Tarkio.

Representative, Duncan Brown.

Gen. E. D. Baker Post No. 68, Green Ridge.

Past Post Commander, Chas. E. Wadleigh.

Capt. John Matthews Post No. 69, Springfield.

Post Commander, Joseph McAdoo.

Past Post Commander, Jas. R. Milner.

B. B. King Post No. 70, Canton.

Past Post Commanders, N. D. Starr, L. H. Condit.

Col. Jacob Smith Post No. 72, Trenton.

Past Post Commanders, G. Hall, A. H. Burkholder, W. B. Rogers, J. M. Robertson, W. C. Swayze, J. L. Nichols, Geo. Hall, J. E. Carter, Wm. Brantner.

Representatives, N. Elwood, E. H. Turk.

Johnson Downer Post No. 73, Sticklerville.

Past Post Commander, G. Graham.

Greenfield Post No. 75, Greenfield.

Representative, C. Z. Russell.

John A. Dix Post No. 76, Kidder.

Post Commander, James Dillard.

Representative, Chas. Englehart.

Yeager-Sharp Post No. 82, Wellsville.

Past Post Commanders, A. J. Day, J. B. McQuie, W. Y. Broughall.

Representative, Henry F. Ellis.

King City Post No. 86, King City.

Past Post Commander, N. C. Shultz.

C. G. Harker Post No. 88, Meadville.

Past Post Commander, H. G. Barger.
 Representative, F. M. James.

T. H. Richardson Post No. 92, Lancaster.

Past Post Commander, Jno. C. Cawood.
 Representative, Wm. H. Starrett.

Capt. C. C. Harvey Post No. 96, Maysville..

Past Post Commander, Jas. T. Griffin.
 Representative, Jacob Porr.

Shelbyville Post No. 102, Shelbyville.

Post Commander, Wm. H. Phipps.
 Past Post Commanders, O. P. Robinson, John A. Bennett, Jno. B. Burgo.
 Representative, Hewlett H. McElhaney.

Nicholas Post No. 104, Gallatin.

Representative, J. T. Day.

Harry P. Harding Post No. 107, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Wm. R. Oder.
 Past Post Commanders, Wm. Niehaus, George Heintz.
 Representatives, Henry Fairback, Fred'k Linsin, Chas. A. Hermann, Wm. Drechsler.

Wm. McKee Post No. 110, Kahoka.

Post Commander, Joe Morgan.
 Past Post Commanders, Jos. Vandolah, Isaac E. Schemerhorn,
 John T. Fairbrother, G. W. Henry, T. A. Bull, Wm. Owens.
 Representative, E. Williams.

Virgil Rogers Post No. 122, Martinstown.

Post Commander, Lester Husted.
 Representative, J. W. Snedegar.

Lieut. T. D. Neal Post No. 124, Bethany.

Post Commander, Wm. H. Skinner.
 Past Post Commanders, Rich. Lovelace, E. S. Miner, Jacob Noll,
 David Goucher, F. T. Harvey, E. B. Ward, N. Church.
 Representative, Marquis Gunn.

Fred. Miller Post No. 130, Tina.

Post Commander, John Parsley.
 Past Post Commander, W. T. Munson.
 Representative, M. G. Garner.

Ransom Post No. 131, St. Louis.

Past Post Commander, A. G. Peterson.

Representatives, S. M. Sparklin, F. Walton, Geo. E. Smith, D. R. Haynes, T. H. Hagerty, W. B. Dean, A. J. Bromwell, S. D. Webster, I. N. McCreery, W. G. Simmons.

Sergt. B. H. Porch Post No. 135, Olean.

Representative, T. D. Shelton.

Liberty Post No. 150, Spickard.

Past Post Commander, E. A. Cook.

Representative, B. F. Wyatt.

D. N. Keeler Post No. 152, Melrose.

Post Commander, August Wedner.

Representative, Herman Tager.

George Miller Post No. 158, Bethel.

Past Post Commander, A. W. Mauck.

Representative, M. Howle.

Jesse H. Moore Post, No. 168, Braymer.

Past Post Commander, H. W. Riegle.

Representative, Cyrus Rea.

Gen. J. B. Steadman Post No. 172, Appleton City.

Representative, Alex. Oliver.

Justl Post No. 173, Cape Girardeau.

Past Post Commanders, L. F. Klosterman, G. W. Travis.

Representative, Christ Grube.

Stephen Estle Post No. 178, De Witt.

Post Commander, Wm. B. Mullins.

Past Post Commander, J. M. Null.

Representative, Elias Perry.

Capt. W. G. Murray Post No. 179, Memphis.

Post Commander, R. D. Cramer.

Representatives, J. W. Webber, T. B. Rule.

Stambaugh Post No. 180, Austin.

Representative, J. M. Keeton.

Mansfield Post No. 181, Powersville.

Past Post Commander, D. W. Pollock.

Chester Harding Post No. 182, St. Joseph.

Past Post Commander, Henry Austry.

Major Hunt Post No. 185, New London.

Past Post Commander, W. R. Sanford.

John A. Rawlins Post No. 187, Pierce City.

Past Post Commander, A. McKinney.

Representative, James Watson.

Col. Morse Post No. 197, Warrenton.

Post Commander, August Hollman.

Past Post Commander, John H. Frick.

Representative, Fritz Schroader.

McCroskey Post No. 210, Springfield.

Representative, Jas. W. Eldridge.

Jas. A. K. Dillon Post No. 213, Lindley.

Representative, J. A. Cooper.

Sergt. Ryan Post No. 214, Brashear.

Post Cammander, M. F. Strack.

Past Post Commanders, D. Tuttle, J. Z. Smith, Jas. McIntyre, J. N. McCreery, W. H. Steel.

Representative, T. J. Spencer.

Bennett Ford Post No. 217, Williamstown.

Past Post Commander, J. W. Ewart.

Norcross Post No. 221, Novelty.

Post Commander, R. M. Griggs.

Past Post Commanders, I. J. Bittler, G. P. Keith, John S. Haley, O. M. Morris, Adam Conder, Wm. E. Pond, H. R. Parson, Lewis Sens, H. J. Lewis.

Representative, Chas. W. Corkran.

S. L. Turley Post No. 222, Melbourne.

Past Post Commanders, M. G. Netherton, James Clark.

Representative, G. T. Nevill.

Union Post No. 229, Laddonia.

Past Post Commander, W. V. B. Read.

Representative, J. N. Clark.

Thos. J. Brouster Post No. 233, Clayton.

Representative, J. Eschenbrenner.

U. S. Grant Post No. 236, Lincoln.

Post Commander, H. G. Smith.

W. S. Hancock Post No. 239, Mexico.

Representative, P. P. Collier.

John A. Hayn Post No. 240, Boonville.

Representative, Jas. McMillan.

Galt Post No. 241, Galt.

Post Commander, J. F. M. Brassfield.

Past Post Commander, D. M. Berry.

Jack Grant Post No. 245, Knox City.

Past Post Commander, Wm. Killen.

Johnson Post No. 262, Centralia.

Past Post Commander, Joseph Eckley.

Representative, T. T. Turley.

Pinhart Post No. 268, Brunswick.

Post Commander, Louis Benecke.

Past Post Commanders, Benjamin Showers, Joseph Gross.

Representative, Geo. W. Cunningham.

Difano Post No. 273, Perryville.

Representative, Frank Stelber.

Henry Brown Post No. 276, Clarksburg.

Past Post Commanders, W. H. Mengel, J. M. Williams.

Representative, Fred. Bantrop.

Edinburg Post No. 279, Edinburg.

Past Post Commander, C. M. Myers.

Wakefield Standley Post No. 282, Carrollton.

Past Post Commanders, John Creek, Thos. J. Whiteman.

Warren Post No. 287, Rockville.

Post Commander, A. A. Wood.

John S. Phelps Post No. 297, St. James.

Representative, Thos. Lyman.

Charles Demny Post No. 301, St. Louis.

Representative, Thos. J. Green.

John D. Rohye Post No. 314, Cedar Hill.

Post Commander, J. J. Fisher.

Evans Post No. 340, Economy.

Post Commander, H. F. Steward.

Past Post Commanders, J. B. Grady, Jos. Ward, R. M. Depew,

John McDaniel.

Representative, Jos. Yetter.

Jesse Owens Post No. 345, Bear Creek.
Representative, J. H. Brown.

Samuel Lewis Post No. 370, Sumner.
Representative, P. M. Linscott.

Robt. P. Carnes Post No. 374, Dunlap.
Post Commander, Isaac Elliott.
Past Post Commanders, C. D. Hoskins, S. A. Hartly.
Representative, Wm. B. Sherrow.

Capt. Tom Walker Post No. 379, Leora.
Representative, I. H. Crewes.

Marceline Post No. 387, Marceline.
Post Commander, D. D. Buch.
Past Post Commanders, M. M. Brantner, J. S. Bush, Aaron Roots.
Representative, W. E. Crane.

Capt. J. A. Bowers Post No. 393, Milford.
Post Commander, Lewis Bourghardt.

Downing Post No. 412, Newark.
Post Commander, G. G. Arehart.
Past Post Commander, S. G. Kaylor.
Representative, J. Price.

Fred. Roether Post No. 420, Montgomery City.
Post Commander, John C. Robison.

Columbia Post No. 432, Columbia.
Representative, Nat. Douglas.

Thos. Shelton Post No. 435, Howland.
Post Commander, N. S. Wycoff.
Representative, Louis P. Davis.

Gen. Madison Miller Post No. 444, St. Louis.
Post Commander, John M. Wherry.

E. E. Kimball Post No. 453, Middletown.
Post Commander, Lloyd Nutter.
Past Post Commanders, James A. James, A. M. Lafferty, A. F. Butler.
Representative, Wm. H. Graham.

Vandalia Post No. 466, Vandalia.
Representative, J. D. Prichett.

Major Leonard Post No. 468, Higbee.

Past Post Commanders, Elijah Ancell, John W. Floyed.
Representative, Jno. W. Addler.

Ethel Post No. 471, Ethel.

Representative, Griff E. Evans.

Dillard Bell Post No. 487, Elmer.

Past Post Commander, W. T. Boyd.

Major Ennis Post No. 489, Greentop.

Post Commander, Geo. W. Rolston
Past Post Commanders, F. J. Tice, G. B. Voorbies.
Representative, S. P. Roberts.

W. W. Leggett Post No. 490, Duncan's Bridge.

Post Commander, Jerry Crawford.
Past Post Commander, W. J. Skinner.
Representative, Robt. M. Hill.

Col. Meuman Post No. 496, St. Louis.

Post Commander, Fred. Flentje.
Representative, Wm. Braun.

John Tietjens Post No. 506, Indian Grove.

Past Post Commander, D. Longsdorff.

Whitesville Post No. 510, Whitesville.

Post Commander, Milton Crockett.

Harrison A. Gleim Post No. 512, Tipton.

Representative, J. B. Wolf.

Jesse Turnage Post No. 514, Rayville.

Representative, John McGaugh.

Parnell City Post No. 517, Parnell City.

Representative, T. A. Breashear.

Geo. W. Murphy Post No. 525, Cowgill.

Past Post Commander, A. F. McCray.

Ridgeway Post No. 545, Ridgeway.

Past Post Commander, G. W. Pryor.

Col. Jno. A. Davis Post No. 549, Windsor.

Representative, W. J. Colbow.

Gatzweiler Post No. 554, St. Charles.

Post Commander, H. G. C. Dammer.

Blue Springs Post No. 563, Blue Springs.

Representative, W. L. Butler.

James F. How Post No. 567, Moberly.

Post Commander, Wm. Maynard.

Past Post Commanders, E. H. Mix, S. S. Rich, M. A. Hays, H. A. Jaco.

Representative, August Ostman.

Everton Post No. 568, Everton.

Representative, V. B. Niles.

The next order of business being reports of officers, Senior Vice Department Commander Henry took the chair, and on motion the reading of all reports, except the Commander's Address, was dispensed with, and the printed reports were distributed in the Encampment.

Department Commander Peterson then read his annual address, as follows:

ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT MO. G. A. R. }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., MAY 1st, 1899. }

Comrades—When one year ago this month, at Carthage, you elected me as your Department Commander, I determined to do what I could to show my appreciation of this great compliment by devoting a greater part of my time to the duties of this high office. My sole thought has been the welfare of our noble organization; I have done the best I could, and now that I am about to turn over to my successor the office you have confided to my care, I wish to return to each Comrade of this Department my sincere thanks and well wishes for their future prosperity. While the demands upon my time have been great, I have felt it a pleasure to devote from one to three, and at times five to six, hours each day to the duties required of me. I have attended quite a number of old soldiers meetings in different parts of the State, and only wish I could have done so to a still greater extent. It has been to me a source of great pleasure to do what I conscientiously believed to be a benefit in building up our order, and to bring the Comrades more closely together, so their touch might be broadened and deepened. It now becomes my duty to report to you the condition of this Department, and if the report is not as favorable as you had a right to expect, I beg you to consider the conditions.

Financial depression has existed throughout our country to a very great extent for the past four years. While there has been an improvement over the previous year, a great many old Comrades are dropping by the way-side on account of growing infirmities and old age; as the years creep on the burdens seem harder to bear and the difficulties, from a financial standpoint, to them seem harder to overcome. So as time passes we ought to realize the necessity of a still greater friendship one toward another. It will only be a few years before the last survivor of the Civil War will have answered the last roll call.

MEMBERSHIP.

At the beginning of my term our membership was 13,612, and now at the close of my year it is 12,819, a loss of 793, the smallest loss of any year during the past five years. It was my ambition not merely to keep our membership intact, but to largely increase it from the large number of dropped and suspended members, and for this purpose I sent out a circular letter dated May 30th, 1898, addressed to all Post Commanders, asking them to send to the headquarters of the Department a list of all suspended and dropped members with their post-office addresses. For the information of the Comrades this letter is made part of my report, and is as follows:

ST. LOUIS, MO., May 30th, 1898.

My Dear Commander—The Department of Missouri has now on its suspended list over 5,600 Comrades, while over 3,000 names have been dropped from the rolls in the past three or four years. This is a condition of affairs much to be deplored, and one that ought to be remedied as soon as possible.

According to the returns on the books at the headquarters, it seems that quite a number of the above classes are from your Post. The Department Commander is very deeply interested in the success of your administration and the welfare of your Post, and for this reason he offers the following suggestions to you as Commander and hopes that you will at once arrange matters in your Post so that within the next ninety days each and every dropped and suspended member may again be restored to full membership in our order:

The Rules and Regulations clearly provide, that suspended members can *only* be restored to full membership upon the *payment of one year's dues*.

The Rules and Regulations further provide that a dropped member can be restored to full membership upon the payment of an amount not to exceed one year's dues. This plainly can be construed that you have the power to restore a dropped member upon the payment of one dollar, fifty cents, ten cents or even five cents, and it is most earnestly hoped that you will avail yourself of this liberal construction of the Rules and Regulations by at once dropping, in accordance with the laws, all suspended members, and then immediately at the request of said members, upon the payment of an amount agreed upon, restore them to good standing.

Would further suggest that you at once appoint a committee on dropped and suspended members, whose duty it shall be to call on all suspended and dropped members and urge them to at once resume their allegiance to our noble organization. The Department Commander wishes to help you all he can and for this purpose he wishes you to forward at once to Department headquarters a list of names and the post-office address of each and every Comrade who at one time belonged to your Post and is now on the list either as a suspended or dropped member. Upon the receipt of this list, the Department Commander will at once write to such Comrades, asking them to again "fall into line" with their old Post.

Trusting these suggestions meet with your hearty approval and will at once be acted upon, the Department Commander begs to assure you that he is ready at any time to help you in any manner to awaken a renewed interest in your Post, and if he can be of service to you you have only to command him.

Yours in F., C. and L.

A. G. PETERSON,

Department Commander.

I also ascertained from the records that the Department had on its rolls the names of 168 Posts that were either dropped or their charters annulled. I determined to open up correspondence with the last Commander of each of these Posts with a view of reviving their old commands; or if this could not be accomplished, then to get as many of the old Comrades of these defunct Posts into the ranks once again, and for this purpose I also prepared an autograph letter, asking them to give me their views upon the subject and also send in the

name and post-office address of each of the Comrades who at one time belonged to their Post. In response to these letters a great many answers were received, and yet not as many as I could have wished for, or the results as favorable as I had anticipated.

In response to both of the above appeals, over 3,300 names were sent in. As soon as received, these names were entered in a book kept for that purpose, and an autograph letter sent to each, asking them to again unite with our grand organization, a copy of this letter is also made a part of my report, and is as follows:

Dear Sir and Comrade—When your old Comrades elected me Department Commander, I fully determined to do what I could to have restored to our ranks all suspended and dropped members of our organization. Learning from the Commander of your old Post, that you are one of the above class, I make this personal appeal to you to again unite with our grand old organization.

Membership in the Grand Army of the Republic should be regarded as a privilege, and it is to supplement the past that you have helped to make honorable, that I appeal to you to return in a spirit of fraternity to touch elbows again with your old Comrades. You should be identified with us and your earlier patriotism. What lessons of loyalty our order has inculcated in their beautiful memorial services and public ceremonies no one can now fully appreciate, and in again uniting with us you can add to this patriotic work. Only a comparative few in our community are eligible to our order, and death with his sharp sickle is fast thinning our ranks, and it is for this reason also that you should fall in line and march in solid phalanx to the final camping-ground. Such is the disposition of your old Comrades that you can be reinstated into your old Post with comparatively no expense. I wish you would do it. Make application at once, and I am sure you will feel all the better for renewing your allegiance to our grand old organization. If you desire any information upon this subject I shall be glad to hear from you.

Yours fraternally,

A. G. PETERSON,

Department Commander.

After waiting until March 20th, I again took up the matter of these old Comrades, and then sent out over 3,000 circular letters again urging them to re-unite with their old Posts. This letter is also published, and is as follows:

ST. LOUIS, MO., March 20th, 1899.

Dear Comrade:—Some time ago I sent you a communication stating that I had ascertained from the officers of your old Post, that you had been either dropped or suspended from membership in your old Post. In that letter I also urged you to again renew your allegiance with our grand old organization and gave reasons why I thought you ought to pursue this course. I was in hopes to have received a favorable answer from you before this time; not hearing from you, I again take the liberty of asking you, I might say urging you, to rejoin your old Post; or, if from some cause this is not desirable on your part, then some other Post in your neighborhood. Did you ever think of it seriously? You are the loser by the course you are pursuing, much more so than the Comrades, by your non-attendance at Post

meetings. I am fully aware of the fact that the infirmities of old age are coming on and the comforts of home are more to be desired than a visit to the Post-room, especially in inclement weather. Perhaps your financial affairs are in such shape you feel that you can ill afford to pay the small yearly dues your Post exacts. Either case, my dear Comrade, ought to be no excuse for the severance of the ties that have bound you in the past to your Comrades. If you feel that you can not afford to pay the small amount of your Post's annual dues, let the officers of the Post know it in a manly way and I feel convinced they will most gladly remit your dues and re-instate you in good standing. If, on another hand, it is a matter of ill feeling on your part toward some old Comrade, who in the past has not agreed with you, then I beg you to lay aside this feeling of resentment and make up your mind at once to "come back into the fold," so that you can again say, I am a Comrade of the G. A. R. It would be a source of great pleasure for me to receive an answer that you will do this.

Yours in F. C. & L.,
A. G. PETERSON,
Department Commander.

The response to this last appeal was simply marvelous. During the latter part of March fully 20 to 30 letters a day reached headquarters from Comrades who promised to rejoin at once or in the near future, and from the returns received up to the date of this report I am satisfied that the loss of 703, heretofore mentioned, has been made good and a slight increase in membership shown. Yet, notwithstanding this, it is a most difficult matter to judge of the efficacy of the plan as followed. But to my mind it certainly has increased a renewed interest throughout our Department, and I further believe that if this plan is followed by my successor in office a great many more of the dropped Comrades will again fall into line and answer "Here" before the end of another year.

At the beginning of my administration the official report showed 339 Posts in good standing. During the year two Posts have been chartered, and eight Posts have surrendered their charters. And I am now pleased to state that all the Posts throughout the Department with a few exceptions are in a healthy condition. I believe it will greatly benefit the organization to have a consolidation of the weaker Posts with the stronger ones. I believe this could be done in the counties having two or more Posts, and have these Posts arrange the meeting nights alternating first at the place of meeting of one of the Posts and then the following meeting at the place of meeting of the other Post. Several Posts of the Department have tried this plan and they report favorable results.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The National Encampment at Cincinnati, Ohio, was without doubt a success; Missouri did well, as she always does, and carried off a large portion of the honors. Every effort was made for the entertainment and comfort of our Comrades, and I verily believe that every

Comrade who went to the metropolis of the Buckeye State came home well pleased. In my opinion good work has been done and always will be in National Encampments, and the result beneficial for ages to come.

Ransom Post No. 131 of which I have the honor of being a member, tendered to myself for the use of the Department as headquarters, Parlor "A" of the Burnet House. This room was handsomely decorated and was pronounced by all friends and visitors the most commodious and elegant headquarters in Cincinnati. As this room cost Ransom Post \$50.00 per day, and it was tendered to the Department free of charge, I would suggest that the thanks of this Department be tendered Ransom Post for its great liberality.

After my experience at the National Encampment at Cincinnati, I decided that the best interest of the Department would be subserved if I refrained from securing quarters at Philadelphia, leaving the same to be attended to by my successor, but the contingency arising, through the fact that I learned that all of the best places were rapidly being secured by other Departments, I, after consulting with Comrade F. M. Sterrett, member of the National Council of Administration from this Department, decided that I ought to go to Philadelphia and secure quarters. I therefore left St. Louis, Monday, April 10th, reaching Philadelphia the next day, the 11th, remaining there during the 12th and 13th, and have secured quarters for the Department at the Continental Hotel, where the National headquarters will be, and where at least two-thirds of the leading Departments will have their headquarters.

SONS OF VETERANS.

This loyal, growing and patriotic order of our sons, ought to receive all possible encouragement from the Grand Army of the Republic. It will only be a few more years and it will be truthfully said, "He is the last surviving member of the Grand Army," and then the question will present itself: "Who will decorate the old soldiers' graves on Memorial Day?" There can only be one answer: "The Sons of Veterans." We ought to look after their interests more in the future than we have in the past, so that we can feel we have left an influence behind us that will show the world that the nation's gratitude will be everlasting.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

Too much praise can not be given to the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps for their noble efforts in helping the destitute and worthy Comrades of our organization. This noble band of women is composed of 88 corps, with a membership of 1785. It has expended for charity the past year \$1513. Certainly a grand showing.

The zealous, careful and unselfish work of these ladies is undisputed evidence that they are banded together for a high purpose. They are entitled to our sincere thanks. And I know I but express the sentiment of each individual Comrade here present, when I say, they have our most hearty thanks and well wishes. God bless them!

THE LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

These ladies are also pursuing their good work of love and charity. We recognize them as having purposes and principles on the lines of the W. R. C., and we ought to encourage them in their good work. I remember some few years ago, while attending an encampment in the east, a speaker, in referring to the organizations of the Ladies of the G. A. R. and the W. R. C., said: "They ought to be consolidated under one management; as it is we are obliged to pay court to both societies, and, in the language of the speaker, I repeat,

"How happy I could be with either.
Were t'other dear charmer away."

MEMORIAL DAY.

Our last Memorial Day, May 30th, 1898, was very generally observed, and all exercises conducted in a manner that reflected credit upon the Comrades who participated. To the old soldiers this day is the most sacred one in the whole year. It does honor to our Comrades, and it teaches in a very impressive manner lessons of patriotism. The Department Chaplain in his report will lay before you all points covering this important subject.

LAW COVERING THE WEARING OF BADGES AND BUTTONS.

At the request of the Department Commander a bill has been prepared and introduced in the House of Representatives at Jefferson City, prohibiting the wearing of buttons, badges or other emblems by persons not authorized to do so. The bill is House Bill No. 212, introduced by Hon. Homer Hall, the son of Comrade Geo. Hall, Judge Advocate of the Department. As, under the Constitution of the State, no special legislation is allowed, this bill is made general and covers all societies, and is as follows:

"SECTION 1. Every person who shall willfully wear any button, badge, pin or other emblem of any secret society, lodge or organization, or shall wear or use the same for the purpose of obtaining money, aid, assistance or other valuable thing, within this State, unless he shall be entitled to use or wear the same under the constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations of the secret society, lodge or organization whose button, badge, pin or other emblem he uses or wears, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment."

SOLDIERS' HOME.

The Soldiers' Home at St. James, Mo., while not under the immediate care of our organization, comparatively speaking, it is, from the fact that the majority of its officers and board of directors are Comrades or the wives of Comrades, and on that account the institution is one that the old soldiers of Missouri have a direct interest in, and one that we as Comrades are justly proud of. It is beautifully situated at the foot of the knobs of the Ozark Mountains, six miles from the Meramec River. It contains sixty acres of land, comprising orchards and lawn. It has accommodations for about sixty people; but when I visited the Home on January 27th it had seventy-six inmates, old soldiers and their wives.

As the years roll by the wants of the institution will be felt more and more. The capacity for comfortably taking care of the old soldier and his wife ought to be looked after by the appointment of a strong committee from this Department, and all succeeding Department Encampments, for the purpose of lending aid and working jointly with the Board of Trustees of the Home on all matters pertaining to the general welfare of the institution, and especially that of State aid. The institution should be dear to every Comrade, and they should demand for it that generous support which it is entitled to.

After a careful consideration of the subject, I believe the usefulness of the old Soldiers' Home can be enhanced by a change in its organic law. Under the law as it is now governed, the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps have no special interest in the Home. Neither of these organizations has any voice in its management, nor are they consulted by the board of trustees as to its usefulness or welfare. This is all wrong. I believe the Woman's Relief Corps, through whose noble generosity the Home was established, and the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, whose interest and kindly feelings toward their old Comrades and their wives are greater than any State official, ought to have a voice in its management. I would therefore suggest that our Department Encampment now assembled in Kirksville pass resolutions to the effect that the interests of the Federal Soldiers' Home at St. James can best be subserved by having the Board of Directors composed of nine persons, three of these to be appointed by the Governor, the term of one of these to expire in one year, another in two years and the third in three years; three also to be appointed by the Department Commander of Missouri, whose terms shall expire in the same manner as described by those appointed by the Governor; three also to be appointed by the President of the W. R. C., whose terms would also expire in the same manner as those appointed by the Governor. By this means my successor would have the appointment of three of the Board of Directors, whose terms would expire respectively in one, two

and three years, and each succeeding Department Commander would have the appointment of one of the Board of Trustees. This would also be the case in the appointments made by the Governor of the State and the President of the W. R. C. By this means, while the entire Board of Trustees would be under the jurisdiction of the State authorities, the Comrades appointed by the Department Commander, and directly representing our organization, would be in a condition to render annual reports to each succeeding Department Encampment, and our organization, by its representatives on the board, be more closely identified with the Home.

PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS.

Some years ago, I attended a Department Encampment, at which time a motion prevailed to establish for a term of five years the headquarters of the Department at St. Louis. I understand, since that time, this same course has been pursued for another term of five years, and in accordance with your instruction the headquarters of the Department have been established at that point. Whether this limit of time has expired, I am not aware; but I wish to give my unqualified approval of such a move. The wisdom of having permanent headquarters is made more and more apparent each year, and if the time has expired as above indicated I would suggest that the same course be pursued for the next five years.

FINANCES.

It has been my aim to keep down the expenses of the Department to the very lowest sum consistent with a proper administration of its affairs, and with this idea in view I have only expended \$41.50 for traveling expenses for the entire year. This however, is due in a great measure to the liberality of Comrade C. G. Warner, Vice-President and General Manager of the Missouri Pacific Railroad and its extensive system of leased lines, who kindly furnished me with transportation over the entire system under his jurisdiction. Also to Mr. B. F. Yoakum, Vice-President and General Manager of the St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad; Mr. Joseph Ramsey, Jr., Vice President and General Manager of the Wabash system; Mr. E. B. Chappell, Vice President and General Manager of the Chicago & Alton Railroad; Mr. Wm. P. Deppe, Assistant General Passenger Agent of the Big Four Railroad; and to Comrade N. W. Taylor, General Freight Agent of the Vandalia Line, who also furnished transportation over their respective lines. To these gentlemen the Department of Missouri G. A. R. is under a debt of gratitude and the thanks of this Department ought to be extended to them. The Comrades of each section of the State visited by me have been exceedingly liberal in the payment of hotel bills and other

necessary expenses incurred by the Department Commander, and on this account the expenses have been kept at a minimum.

In the appointment of Comrade Jas. B. Wilde as Assistant Adjutant General of the Department, the Department is to be congratulated upon securing the services of so able a Comrade for this position. He is an expert accountant, painstaking, careful and conscientious in the performance of all duties pertaining to the office. To him I am greatly indebted; he has been faithful to every trust imposed upon him, and ceaseless in his efforts for the betterment of the Department. However, I feel a delicacy in specially mentioning Comrade Wilde, from the fact that all of the Department appointments—Comrade Thos. S. Maxwell, Assistant Quartermaster General Comrade George Hall, as Judge Advocate, Comrade Frank Buchanan, as Department Inspector, Comrade L. F. Klostermann, Mustering Officer, A. O. Engleman, as Chief of Staff, and Comrade M. M. Clark, as Chief Aide-de-Camp—have been so eminently satisfactory that I feel a sense of obligation that cannot be repaid in words. My sincere hope is that my successors will always have as good a set of staff officers. I have been exceedingly fortunate in the appointment of my Judge Advocate General; he has had, perhaps, more work placed upon his shoulders than any of my official appointments. This in one sense of the word is much to be regretted, from the fact that where there has been so much work of this character, there is sure to be strife of an unpleasant kind, but he has faithfully and loyally performed the work assigned him. For this he has my sincere thanks.

At the time of the appointment of the new Assistant Adjutant General, I determined to change the kind of bond heretofore furnished by the past Assistant Adjutant Generals, and suggested to Comrade Wilde that he furnish a bond given by a fidelity or trust company, which he very gladly acquiesced in. This was approved by the Council of Administration, and further ordered by them that the cost of the bond \$25.00, be paid by the Department. In this connection, I would suggest that this course be pursued in the future. This will obviate the necessity of this officer calling on his personal friends and Comrades to go on his bond. I would also suggest that power be given the Department Commander to employ an expert accountant annually, at a sum to be fixed by the Council of Administration, for the purpose of making a thorough examination of the Assistant Adjutant General's books and accounts. Heretofore it has been the practice of a committee of the Council of Administration to do this work on one of the days set for the Department Encampment. No committee can thoroughly investigate the books of any accountant in an hour, and make a report that would be satisfactory to any body of men. So I hope the Department will approve of the recommendation made.

The most embarrassing thing I have had to contend with during my administration was my lack of oratory. I never was nor pretended to be a public speaker, and to be called upon at times without any preparation has been to me a source of considerable feeling. No doubt some of the Comrades have been made painfully aware of this fact during the past year. As my term is now at a close I hope my successor will be one who can and will make up in this respect what I lacked. Comrades, again tendering you my most sincere thanks and well wishes, I subscribe myself,

Yours in F., C. and L.

A. G. PETERSON.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT MO. G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF SENIOR VICE DEPT' COMMANDER. }
 KANSAS CITY, April 5, 1899.

JAS. B. WILDE, Assistant Adjutant General:

Dear Sir and Comrade--I have the honor, in accordance with custom, to submit through you to the Department Commander and to the Department Encampment my report.

With an able and zealous Department Commander and a faithful and efficient Assistant Adjutant General the duties of the Senior Vice Department Commander are more honorary than active or arduous. Such have been the conditions during my term of office now just drawing to a close. I have at all times held myself in readiness to respond to any requests or commands of the Department Commander, but by reason of the generous and hearty co-operation of the Comrades with the Department Commander, and cheerful obedience to orders, my services have seldom been required by him.

It was my pleasure to visit with the Department Commander, Comrade Peterson, and Medical Director, Comrade Bronson, the Inter-State Reunion in August last at Nevada. There was a great gathering of Comrades with their families and friends. The Commander, Medical Director and myself were each and all received with marked enthusiasm and courtesy and in a very gratifying spirit of comradeship.

I also attended reunions at Austin, Humansville, Princeton, Ulrich and Green Ridge, delivering addresses and otherwise aiding in the success at each place.

I joined the official train with Department Headquarters at St. Louis and went to the National Encampment at Cincinnati, and contributed my humble part in the duties and pleasures of that eventful occasion, and was present at all the sessions of the National Encampment, taking part in its deliberations as a representative of the Department of Missouri. In the grand parade on that occasion the personnel and general appearance of the Department of Missouri was the peer of any Department in line, and it elicited the unstinted applause and commendation of the onlookers all along the line of march.

On the 27th of September it was my pleasure to attend, by formal invitation of Comrade D. W. Eastman, Commander of the Department of Kansas, the great reunion of that Department at Topeka, on which occasion I delivered an address and conducted a camp-fire. I was received and treated with great courtesy by the Officers and Comrades of the Department of Kansas as the representative of the Department of

Missouri, and was accorded the honors due to the office of your Senior Vice Department Commander. Also, on the 28th of January last, as the guest of the Department of Kansas and as the representative of the Department of Missouri, I visited, with Department Commander Eastman and two members of his official staff, the National Military Home near Leavenworth, and also Custer Post at Leavenworth City. These visits to the Comrades of Kansas and the courtesies extended by them to this Department have been occasions of much personal pleasure and gratification, and I believe have tended to strengthen the bonds of fraternity and comradeship that have so long existed between the Comrades of these two great Departments. I will say in passing that I have accepted an official invitation tendered me by Department Commander Eastman to attend the Department Encampment of Kansas to be held at Hutchinson, April 28th. I expect to be present on that occasion, and will convey the fraternal greetings of my Comrades in Missouri to the Comrades in Kansas.

I have visited a number of the Posts in my vicinity, and at all times tried to foster the spirit of comradeship, urging those who have never been members of our order to join us, and persuading those who have become suspended or dropped from the rolls to again touch elbows with their Comrades in the Post room. Last fall I attended an open meeting and supper given by Blue Springs Post No. 563, at Blue Springs. The attendance was large and the effect upon the community excellent. Afterward, in January, at request of the Department Commander, I visited this Post officially and installed its officers. On the 16th of February I attended the seventeenth anniversary of the organization of Mulligan Post No. 11, at Lexington. The occasion was a notable one, in that there were present five of the charter members of the Post. A generous supper was served by the Comrades assisted by their wives, and the occasion will long be remembered with pleasure.

I desire to thank my Comrades for the great honor which they conferred on me one year ago by electing me to the office of Senior Vice Department Commander, and to assure them that the badge of their confidence and of the high office which it symbolizes has been worn by me as a sacred trust, and will continue to be worn in grateful remembrance of their fraternal goodwill and esteem. It will ever be a stimulus to nobler deeds in the name of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

To the Department Commander and to his personal and official staff, and to all Officers and Comrades, I tender my most grateful acknowledgements and thanks for the fraternal courtesies which have ever been accorded to me by them. To Department Commander Peterson and to his very efficient and faithful Assistant Adjutant General, Comrade Wilde, I am under especial obligations. Everywhere and at all times I have been accorded the full honors due to my rank in the Grand Army of the Republic.

Another year has gone into the great eternity of the past, and we are all one year nearer the end of the journey. The fires of comradeship that were kindled in that great struggle of long ago grow brighter the longer they burn. Each year the number of the finally mustered out is greater than of the year preceding.

From our ranks the Great Commander
Calls us, Comrades, one by one.
Let us close upon the colors
Till life's battle shall be done;
Let our hopes be strong for future,
Keep the fires of friendship bright,
Touching elbows in life's battle,
Helping each to win the fight.
Hope and Memory, twain most blessed,
Gilding future and the past—
Memories by our lives made sacred,
Keep hope bright while life shall last.
Whether on life's highway marching,
Or within the camp we rest,
May our hopes end in fruition
And our last days be our best.

All of which is respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

W. F. HENRY,

Senior Vice Department Commander.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT MO. G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF JUNIOR VICE DEP'T COMMANDER. }
 CARTHAGE, MO., March 27, 1899. }

JAS. B. WILDE, A. A. G., G. A. R., St. Louis, Mo. :

Comrade—I have the honor to submit the following report: When the Comrades of Missouri honored me with the office of Junior Vice-Commander I had expected to devote some time to the interests of the Grand Army in Southwest Missouri, but owing to sickness and other causes I have been able to devote but little time to the work; however, owing to the very extensive personal correspondence of Department Commander Peterson, there has been very little left for me to do.

A renewed interest has been manifested in this part of the State by reason of the personal appeals of Commander Peterson. On account of age and infirmities of our members it becomes more and more difficult each year to keep up an interest in the smaller Posts, as many of the members live several miles away. Considering the increasing difficulties in maintaining an interest in the work, I wish to *heartily congratulate* the Department Commander and yourself on the increased interest and high standing of the Department of Missouri, especially the Posts of St. Louis. We are proud of our Comrades of St. Louis, as without them the Department of Missouri would hardly be known in the grand parades at all National Encampments.

With best wishes to all the Comrades of Missouri, and hoping to meet a goodly number of them at Kirksville, I am,

Yours in F., C. and L.,

THOS. B. TUTTLE,

Junior Vice Department Commander.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R. }
 308 TEMPLE BUILDING. }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., May 1, 1899. }

A. G. PETERSON, Esq., Department Commander.

Comrade: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit herewith the report of the business at these headquarters, and of the condition of the Department for the year ending December 31, 1898.

The total number of Posts reported December 31, 1897, was 424, of which 25 were reported as suspended, namely: 117, 212, 225, 227, 281, 318, 321, 323, 338, 351, 361, 364, 368, 394, 404, 410, 419, 422, 445, 467, 484, 527, 528, 535, 538. Eight Posts have surrendered their charters, viz.: 31, 227, 298, 317, 347, 421, 543, 562.

Two new Posts have been mustered, viz.: 566 and 567, making total number of Posts reported December 31, 1898, 418, with 24 reported suspended according to report above. Post 227 (suspended) surrendered its charter.

This number does not agree with the records as reported to National Headquarters.

The number reported to the Adjutant General in good standing is	388
To which add the suspended Posts	24

Would make	412
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A difference of 6 Posts. The same difference appearing in the report of December 31, 1897.

Of the 418 Posts reported above, the following have been delinquent for one or more years:

POSTS DELINQUENT FOR ONE OR MORE YEARS.

Consecutive No.	Post No.	NAME OF POST.	LOCATION.	DATE OF LAST REPORT.	NO OF MEMBERS.
1	61	Valentine Peters	Maitland	Dec., 1897	25
2	80	Rosseau	Ravanna	June, 1896	21
3	85	Lookout	Shelbina	Dec., 1896	12
4	154	Wm. T. Kays	Arbela	June, 1895	14
5	170	Fillmore	Fillmore	Dec., 1895	35
6	188	J. D. Mullins	Linneus	Dec., 1897	19
7	209	Edwd. Wray	Linn Creek	June, 1897	17
8	237	Farnsworth	Warsaw	Dec., 1897	19
9	242	Pattonburg	Pattonburg	Dec., 1896	23
10	249	Fordland	Fordland	Dec., 1896	16
11	261	Sergt.-Maj. McIntosh	Hermitage	June, 1896	58
12	280	A. J. Norton	Modena	June, 1895	29
13	283	Wakefield	Fair Play	June, 1897	20
14	288	T. S. Staples	Fairmont	Dec., 1895	12
15	302	Negley	Ottomer	Dec., 1897	10
16	313	Wm. F. Lane	Strafford	June, 1896	20
17	316	Jordon Wilson	Clarksville	Dec., 1896	16
18	324	Geo. V. Pitts	Stanton	June, 1897	15
19	328	S. Mason	Bakersfield	Dec., 1895	12
20	333	Genl. J. H. Hart	Piedmont	June, 1896	11
21	342	Sergt. L. J. Roach	Stoutland	June, 1896	31
22	356	Zincite	Zincite	Dec., 1895	9
23	359	Splitlog	Splitlog	Dec., 1897	15
24	373	Col. Putnam	Allendale	Dec., 1897	27
25	382	Commerce	Commerce	Dec., 1897	24
26	383	J. A. Dollins	Mountain View	Dec., 1897	15
27	385	Long Lane	Long Lane	Dec., 1897	16
28	414	David Hewitt	Louisburg	June, 1897	22
29	426	Hunnewell	Monroe City	June, 1897	58
30	439	C. M. Anderson	Advance	Dec., 1895	20
31	441	Alton	Alton	Dec., 1896	13
32	446	Obediah Gray	Moody	June, 1895	12
33	450	David Reeves	Smithville	Dec., 1893	11
34	452	Tipton	Tipton	Dec., 1895	10
35	454	Calhoun	Calhoun	June, 1895	14
36	455	McClain	Centretown	Dec., 1895	22
37	464	Capt. Mace	Ellington	June, 1896	20
38	469	Lieut. Brooks	Ashland	Dec., 1897	19
39	470	Genl. Geo. Crook	Slater	June, 1896	20
40	471	Ethel	Ethel	Dec., 1896	14
41	477	Sumner	New Cambria	Dec., 1895	17
42	480	Genl. Hampton	Protem	June, 1895	40
43	485	Geo. B. McClellan	Pacific	Dec., 1896	15
44	493	Freeland	Hardin	June, 1894	16
45	494	J. F. Fort	Greencastle	Dec., 1895	13
46	498	Maj. Montgomery	Ardeola	Dec., 1896	10
47	499	J. S. Miller	Guilford	Dec., 1897	12

Consecutive No.	Post No.	NAME OF POST.	LOCATION.	DATE OF LAST REPORT.	NO. OF MEMBERS.
48	505	Col. P. Cornyne	Chamois	Dec., 1897	15
49	509	Isaac Smith	Brunswick	Dec., 1895	23
50	524	Drexel	Drexel	June, 1896	25
51	529	Ben. Lewis	Glasgow	Dec., 1897	8
52	530	Adj. Pratt	Mexico	Dec., 1895	13
53	531	Belmont	Bolckow	June, 1896	17
54	532	Flag Springs	Flag Springs	June, 1896	15
55	534	Sergt. Welch	Ponce-de-Leon	June, 1896	35
56	536	Aldrich	Aldrich	June, 1897	25
57	558	Garretson	Poplar Bluff	Dec., 1897	32
Total					1127

Of the above, 10 Posts, viz.: 80, 154, 209, 261, 446, 450, 454, 464, 480 and 493, with 223 members, had been previously deducted from the reports made to National Headquarters, but are still on the Roster, and I can find no account of their having been suspended or their charters annulled.

Two new Posts have been mustered since January 1, 1899, No. 563 at Everton, with 18 members, and a new Post at Lowry City, with 22 members, to which was given the number of the old Post at that place, 233.

Since January 1, 1899, five Posts have surrendered their charters, viz.: 456, 459, 542, 552 and 555.

The following is an abstract of the consolidated reports made to National Headquarters for the year 1898:

FIRST TERM, SIX MONTHS, ENDING JUNE 30, 1898.

Number in good standing December 31, 1897.....		13,612
Gain by muster	255	
" transfer	106	
" reinstatement	263	624
		14,236
Loss by death	133	
" honorable discharge	25	
" transfer	86	
" suspension	630	
" surrender of charter	45	919
		13,317
Number in good standing June 30, 1898		13,317

SECOND TERM, ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.

Number in good standing June 30, 1898		13,317
Gain by muster	173	
" transfer	98	
" reinstatement	369	640
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		13,957
Loss by death	155	
" honorable discharge	37	
" transfer	99	
" suspension	790	
" surrender of charter	57	1,138
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		12,819

RECAPITULATION.

Number in good standing December 31, 1898		13,612
Gained by muster	428	
" transfer	204	
" reinstatement	632	1,264
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		14,876
Loss by death	288	
" honorable discharge	62	
" transfer	185	
" suspension	1,420	
" surrender of charter	102	2,057
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Number in good standing December 31, 1898		12,819
Number remaining suspended		4,994
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Total number on rolls December 31, 1898		17,813
Number of Comrades dropped during the year		561
Number of Comrades relieved during the year		234
Number of other persons relieved during the year		113
Amount expended for relief	\$	1,733.01
Cash balance in Post funds December 31, 1898		8,126.46
Cash invested in collaterals		15,416.38
Cash balance in relief funds December 31, 1898		1,697.69
Value of real estate belonging to Posts		10,955.00
Cash invested in furniture, flags, etc		19,449.37
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Total value of Post properties		\$55,644.90

While it is true that the suspension of Comrades has been greater by the Posts during 1898 than in the year previous, yet the reinstatements have also been greater, and if the report could be made to

include to May 1, 1899, it would undoubtedly show a much larger increase in reinstatements brought about by your energetic work in endeavoring to have dropped and suspended members reinstated. The reports from individual Posts since January 1 show a large increase in this respect. The loss by death, as reported, is 288, being 13 more than the year previous, and tells that each year in the future must show a marked increase in loss through this cause.

The net loss of membership in good standing, as reported, is 793, and reduces the number of delegates to the National Encampment allowed this Department from 15 to 14. One of the delegates should be elected at large.

Eleven general orders, eighteen special orders and ten dispensations have been issued from these headquarters. The Department Roster and Proceedings of the last Department Encampment have been sent to every Post in the Department, while the National Countersign has been sent to every Post making its returns.

Eight unfortunate soldiers dying in St. Louis, without friends or money, were buried at the National Cemetery, most of them with military honors, and through the kindness of the Commandants at Jefferson Barracks firing squads were provided, while Comrades from the city Posts read the burial service over their final resting place. Relief was extended one Comrade to reach his home.

Two thousand three hundred and seventeen letters on the ordinary business of the Department were mailed from these headquarters from July 18, 1898, when I was appointed, to April 1 of this year, while nearly 7,000 letters were mailed under your directions to suspended and dropped members of this Department. While this has caused a large amount of extra labor to be performed by me, it has been cheerfully borne, knowing that it has resulted in largely increasing an interest throughout the Department, and has been the means of bringing back into our ranks many Comrades who, for various reasons, suffered themselves to have been dropped.

Thirty-one Posts have failed to make their reports for last term, 1898, besides those who are delinquent for one or more years, as shown above. While this is true, I beg to state that it cannot be charged as your fault, Commander, for I know that no one could work more arduously than you have done to keep the Posts of the Department in line, while I have repeatedly written to the officers of the delinquent Posts.

In making the financial and statistical report I beg to say that, as the second term had been entered upon before I was appointed, I have decided that it is but right that the operations prior to my taking charge should be reported separately, and have therefore, in matters pertaining to finances, made both separate and consolidated reports. The reports are Exhibits "A" to "J," attached to and made part of this report.

Exhibit "A," receipts and expenditures from January 1, 1898, to July 18, 1898.

Exhibit "B," receipts and expenditures from July 18, 1898, to December 31, 1898.

Exhibit "C," consolidated report of receipts and expenditures.

Exhibit "D," supply account January 1 to July 18, 1898.

Exhibit "E," " " " " July 18 to December 31, 1898.

Exhibit "F," Department property.

Exhibit "G," " " " " assets.

Exhibit "H," account of Posts overpaid and in arrears.

Exhibit "I," membership of each Post, with gains and losses.

Exhibit "J," total list of Posts chartered.

The six Posts having the highest number of members are in the cities of St. Louis, Kansas City and Sedalia:

No. 1, Frank P. Blair Post, is first, with	-	550
No. 131, Ransom Post, is second, with	-	496
No. 13, Hassendeubel Post, is third, with	-	476
No. 8, Farragut-Thomas Post, is fourth, with	-	232
No. 5, A. Lincoln Post, is fifth, with	-	185
No. 53, Gen. Geo. R. Smith Post, is sixth, with	-	164

The six Posts having made the highest percentage of gain are as follows:

No. 287, at Rockville,	-	118 per cent.
No. 458, at Plew,	-	100 "
No. 210, at Springfield,	-	52½ "
No. 563, at Blue Springs,	-	50 "
No. 14, at Joplin,	-	47 "
No. 187, at Pierce City,	-	38 "

In conclusion, I beg to thank you, Commander, for your kind treatment of me, and to assure you that I feel, with the mass of the Comrades of the Department, that you have worked untiringly for the best interest and advancement of the Grand Army in this Department, and that these efforts have been crowned with success, that general interest is being manifested in all parts of the State.

To my fellow staff officers I return my thanks for their courteous and generous treatment tendered me upon all occasions.

Yours in F., C. & L.,

JAS. B. WILDE,

Assistant Adjutant General.

EXHIBIT "A."

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FROM JANUARY 1, 1898, TO JULY 18,
1898, DURING ADMINISTRATION OF THE LATE
ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

RECEIPTS.

Cash balance on hand January 1, 1898	\$ 121 59
Received from per capita tax	1,681 45
" " requisition	188 43
" " Phelps loan	2,650 57
" " Mesner loan	325 00
" " interest on Mesner loan	110 56
" " return premium Phelps loan	34 80
Total	\$5,112 40

EXPENDITURES.

Supplies:

Membership badges	\$ 70 00	
Buttoniers	36 00	
Rank straps	14 07	
Rituals	15 00	
Blanks, books, etc	41 25	\$176 32
Printing Encampment Proceedings	500 25	
Loan at German American Bank	823 00	
Printing and stationery	190 75	
Salary J. B. Pachall to May 1, 1898	600 00	
" " " May to Aug. 1, 1898	300 00	900 00
Incidentals		138 70
Postage		94 08
Rent of office		90 00
Relief (burial of old soldiers)		88 00
Department Encampment badges		33 00
Stenographer Dept. Encampment		45 95
Per capita tax National Headquarters		170 15
Traveling expenses:		
J. P. Platt	133 50	
Committee on Loans	54 70	
J. B. Pachall	36 25	224 45
Sundry expenses:		
Office expenses	34 61	
Engrossing commissions	17 50	
Paid Dept. Inspector	2 40	
Freight	14 40	
Moving safe	10 00	78 91
Bal. paid J. B. Wilde, A. A. G., July 19, 1898		1,558 84

EXHIBIT "B."

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES BY J. B. WILDE, ASSISTANT ADJUTANT
GENERAL, FROM JULY 19, 1898, TO DECEMBER 31, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

Received from J. B. Pachall, late A. A. G.....	\$1,558 84
“ “ per capita tax	663 90
“ “ requisitions	160 81
“ “ sale old boxes.....	1 20
“ “ rebate on tickets to National Encampment....	136 50
Total.....	<u>\$2,521 25</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Supplies:

Membership badges	\$33 25	
Buttoniers.....	24 00	
Rank straps	7 77	
Blanks, books, etc.....	8 01	\$ 73 03
Printing Dept. Encampment Proceedings...		110 00
Printing and stationery.....		146 40
Per capita tax National Headquarters.....		166 46
Salary Asst. Adj. Gen. Aug. 1 to Dec. 31, 1898		500 00
Rent of office		60 00
Postage		125 18
Rebate on tickets to National Encampment..		90 00
Returned to J. B. Pachall (credited twice by him)		14 60
Relief (burial of old soldiers).....		54 95
Expenses to National Encampment.....		75 07
Badges National Encampment.....		69 00
Traveling expenses:		
A. G. Peterson	41 50	
Jas. B. Wilde.....	7 85	
Council of Administration	8 25	57 60
Sundry expenses:		
Premium on bond Asst. Adj. Gen....	25 00	
Extra office help.....	12 00	
Office expense and incidentals.....	34 34	
Engrossing commissions	12 15	83 49
Total.....		<u>1,625 78</u>
Balance on hand December 31, 1898		<u>\$ 895 47</u>

EXHIBIT "C."

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1898.

RECEIPTS.

Cash balance from December 31, 1897	\$ 121 59
Received from per capita tax	2,345 35
" " requisitions	349 24
" " Phelps loan	2,650 57
" " Mesner loan	325 00
" " interest on Mesner loan	110 56
" " return of premium on Phelps loan	34 80
" " sale of old boxes	1 20
" " rebate on tickets to National Encampment.....	186 50
Total	\$6,074 81

Supplies:

EXPENDITURES.

Membership badges	\$103 25	
Buttoniers	60 00	
Rank straps	21 84	
Rituals	15 00	
Blanks, books, etc	40 26	\$ 249 35
Printing Dept. Encampment Proceedings		610 25
German American Bank loan		823 00
Printing and stationery		337 15
Per capita tax National Headquarters		336 61
Salaries:		
Asst. Adj. Gen. and Asst. Q. M. Gen. to May 1, 1898	600 00	
Asst. Adj. Gen. May 1 to Dec 31, 1898	800 00	1,400 00
Rent of office		150 00
Postage		219 26
Relief (burial of old soldiers)		142 95
Expenses National Encampment		75 07
Badges National Encampment		69 00
Department Encampment badges		33 00
Stenographer Department Encampment		45 95
Rebate on tickets to Nat. Encampment		90 00
Incidentals, J. B. Pachall, late Asst. A. G. Returned to J. B. Pachall (credited twice by him)		138 70
Travelling expenses:		
Jno. B. Platt	133 50	
A. G. Peterson	41 50	
Committee on Loans	54 70	
J. B. Pachall, late A. A. G.	36 25	
Jas. B. Wilde	7 85	
Council of Administration	8 25	282 05
Sundry expenses:		
Engrossing commissions	29 65	
Office expense and incidentals	68 95	
Extra help	12 00	
Department Inspector	2 40	
Premium on bond Asst. Adj. Gen. Freight	25 00	
Moving safe	14 40	
Total	10 00	162 40
Total		5,179 34
Balance on hand December 31, 1898		\$ 895 47

EXHIBIT "D."

SUPPLY ACCOUNT JANUARY 1 to JULY 18, 1898.

	On Hand Dec. 31, 1897.	Purchased.	Total.	Issued.	Bal. on Hand July 18, 1898,	Turned over to J. B. Wilde, A.A.B.	Supplies Over.	Supplies Short.
Membership badges	20	200	220	186	34	34		
Buttoniers	56	600	656	546	110	58		52
Rank straps	101	67	168	64	104	122	18	
Official ribbons		125	125	91	34	149	115	
Rules and regulations	21	250	271	60	211	185		26
Applications	243	500	743	400	343	296		47
Cash books	13		13	1	12	7		5
Quartermaster receipt books	1	25	26	19	7	9	2	
Quartermaster warrant books	2		2	8	—6	13	19	
Roll books	13		13	1	12	12		
Charters	8	8	16	1	15	5		10
Discharges		100	100	30	70	109	39	
Transfers	91	200	291	181	110	52		58
Odes	10	200	210	5	205	203		2
Service books	2	55	57	23	34	25		9
Rituals	3	30	33	15	18	25	7	
Blue books		9	9	5	4	4		
Department badges, plain	242		242		242	242		
Department badges, silver top	48		48		48	48		
Descriptive books	6	10	16	2	14	8		6
Minute books	8		8		8	21	13	
Leaves of absence	51		51	64	—13	12	25	
Certificates of membership	136		136		136	136		

EXHIBIT "E."

SUPPLY ACCOUNT JULY 18 TO DECEMBER 31, 1898.

	Receive from J. B. Pachall	Purchased.	Total.	Issued.	Bal. on Hand.	Value.
Membership badges	34	95	129	85	44	\$ 22 00
Buttoniers	58	400	458	379	79	7 90
Rank straps	122	37	159	31	128	44 80
Official ribbons	149		149	65	84	8 40
Rules and regulations	185		185	30	155	7 75
Applications	296		296	206	90	54
Cash books	7		7	2	5	3 75
Quartermaster's receipt books	9		9	6	3	2 25
Quartermaster's warrant books	13		13	3	10	7 75
Roll books	12		12	2	10	7 75
Charters	5	5	10	4	6	1 50
Discharges	109		109	42	67	3 35
Transfers	52	100	152	76	76	3 80
Odes	203		203	20	183	3 66
Service books	25		25	9	16	4 00
Rituals	25		25	4	21	15 75
Blue books	4	5	9	3	6	6 60
Department badges, plain	242		242	11	231	115 50
Department badges, silver tops	48		48		48	48 00
Descriptive books	8		8	2	6	4 50
Minute books	21		21	3	18	13 50
Leaves of absence	12	50	62	34	28	1 12
Certificates of membership	136		136	5	131	13 10
Total						\$347 27

EXHIBIT "F."

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY ON HAND.

Desks	2	Gavels	6
Chairs	7	Charter, framed	1
Tables	2	Map of Missouri	1
Book case	1	Adjutant General's report of	
Case for blanks	1	Illinois, volumes	8
Case for supplies	1	Roster Wisconsin Volunteers,	
Chest of drawers	1	volumes	2
Case for pigeon holes	1	Journals, National Encampment	2
Typewriter	1	Journals, Department of Mis-	
Letter press	1	souri	3
Official seal	1	History of G. A. R. (Beath) ...	1
Cuspidor	1	Portrait, Gen. Grant	1
Waste basket	1	Portrait, Past Departm't Com-	
Carpet	1	mander Kimball	1
Rugs	2	Portrait, Past Departm't Com-	
Sets of books	3	mander Phelps	1
Slide boxes	503	Portrait, Past Departm't Com-	
Letter boxes	2	mander Burton	1
Dating stamp	1	Portrait, Past Departm't Com-	
Die for Department badges	1	mander Grund	1
Ink stands	3	Portrait, Past Departm't Com-	
Department banner and case ...	2	mander Whitehead	1
Pair stirrups	1	Portrait, Past Commander-in-	
Packing trunk	1	Chief Warner	1
Flag	1	Other pictures	5
Letter scale	1	Safe	1
Letter files	24	Gas stove and hose	1
Sword belts	9		

EXHIBIT "G."

DEPARTMENT ASSETS.

Cash balance, December 31, 1893	\$ 895.47
Amount invested at Kansas City	1,000.00
Office furniture (estimated)	800.00
Supplies	347.27
Ledger balances	159.04
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	\$3,201.78

Liabilities—Nothing.

EXHIBIT "H."

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF SUCH POSTS AS HAVE OVERPAID, OR
WERE IN ARREARS DECEMBER 31, 1898.

No.	DR.	CR.	DUE.	OVER-PAID.	No.	DR.	CR.	DUE.	OVER-PAID.
2	\$34 43	\$27 20	\$ 7 23	.....	194	\$20 86	\$21 10	.....	\$0 24
14	30 20	28 90	1 30	.....	197	8 60	10 95	.....	2 35
23	9 20	8 90	30	.....	200	7 10	5 60	\$1 50	.....
29	12 50	10 40	2 10	.....	206	5 40	4 20	1 20	.....
33	8 20	7 90	30	.....	207	6 40	5 20	1 20	.....
38	8 60	4 00	.....	\$0 40	221	7 35	7 00	35	.....
39	6 30	5 50	80	.....	229	4 40	3 00	1 40	.....
45	7 00	2 90	4 10	.....	237	5 70	2 00	3 70	.....
49	2 80	3 20	.....	40	239	6 90	6 20	70	.....
51	10 85	11 68	.....	83	241	5 80	4 60	1 20	.....
57	12 75	12 55	20	.....	243	9 03	6 55	2 48	.....
59	4 80	5 09	.....	29	244	3 40	3 60	.....	20
63	9 15	6 90	2 25	.....	251	9 30	9 51	.....	21
65	15 07	14 75	32	.....	252	7 99	7 64	35	.....
67	6 20	6 40	.....	20	253	1 70	2 90	.....	1 20
69	16 90	16 50	40	.....	258	2 60	2 40	20	.....
72	13 10	12 30	80	.....	260	4 70	2 50	2 20	.....
75	15 55	13 70	1 85	.....	262	2 60	1 90	70	.....
76	12 05	11 50	55	.....	269	5 00	5 95	.....	95
82	3 85	3 60	25	.....	274	3 30	1 10	2 20	.....
84	2 60	1 60	1 00	.....	276	21 45	21 25	20	.....
86	11 21	11 00	21	.....	278	4 90	3 80	1 10	.....
96	8 20	7 40	80	.....	279	4 30	4 10	20	.....
97	7 10	7 98	.....	88	283	6 80	3 00	3 80	.....
104	9 00	5 60	3 40	.....	284	6 27	6 00	27	.....
106	7 20	5 30	1 90	.....	285	6 55	5 10	1 45	.....
107	43 40	42 00	1 40	.....	286	6 70	2 80	3 90	.....
109	8 50	5 70	2 80	.....	287	10 13	9 73	40	.....
111	31 75	12 10	19 65	.....	289	2 70	3 80	.....	1 10
119	7 55	7 35	20	.....	290	6 50	6 20	30	.....
130	5 93	4 55	1 38	.....	291	8 05	6 00	2 05	.....
134	6 50	6 00	50	.....	294	3 25	1 40	1 85	.....
141	6 12	6 60	.....	48	302	2 00	1 00	1 00	.....
149	3 55	3 30	25	.....	303	5 90	6 17	.....	27
152	7 96	7 30	66	.....	305	3 20	2 30	90	.....
158	8 80	8 40	40	.....	314	4 75	4 50	25	.....
160	4 80	5 30	.....	50	320	9 10	7 80	1 30	.....
161	9 80	8 60	1 20	.....	322	6 45	6 10	35	.....
166	5 20	4 10	1 10	.....	327	2 10	1 50	60	.....
179	16 80	16 10	70	.....	330	11 77	8 10	3 67	.....
182	4 60	3 10	1 50	.....	331	6 70	6 20	50	.....
184	3 80	3 30	50	.....	335	1 80	1 50	30	.....
185	14 25	13 25	1 00	.....	340	4 75	4 40	35	.....
188	5 70	2 90	2 80	.....	343	25 20	16 75	8 45	.....
189	10 00	10 20	.....	20	346	6 80	3 00	3 80	.....

No.	DR.	CR.	DUE.	OVER-PAID.	No.	DR.	CR.	DUE.	OVER-PAID.
359	\$ 4 55	\$ 1 50	\$3 05	.....	437	\$ 3 80	\$ 2 80	81 00	.....
360	3 10	2 30	80	.....	440	4 70	5 00	.....	\$0 30
365	3 90	4 20	.....	\$0 30	447	3 60	3 80	.....	20
367	3 60	3 80	.....	20	462	6 28	7 28	.....	1 00
375	4 38	3 90	48	.....	478	5 00	4 80	.....	20
377	5 80	5 60	20	.....	481	7 70	4 90	.....	2 80
379	3 10	3 55	.....	45	488	2 80	3 60	.....	80
384	10 65	5 90	4 75	.....	490	2 10	1 90	.....	20
385	2 60	3 25	.....	65	495	12 10	7 60	.....	4 50
386	7 05	7 43	.....	38	496	15 00	11 05	.....	3 95
387	12 15	9 30	2 85	.....	504	3 40	3 00	.....	40
390	8 90	8 40	50	.....	505	1 95	1 40	.....	55
391	7 70	7 20	50	.....	506	8 75	8 50	.....	25
392	3 00	3 30	.....	30	514	8 47	8 20	.....	27
397	3 90	4 30	.....	40	515	8 50	9 80	.....	1 30
398	3 00	2 60	40	.....	520	2 69	1 10	.....	1 59
402	7 20	4 00	3 20	.....	526	3 00	2 80	.....	20
407	6 85	6 40	45	.....	539	5 50	4 30	.....	1 20
411	5 30	4 40	90	.....	546	2 30	2 00	.....	30
424	4 88	4 20	68	.....	548	4 45	3 80	.....	65
426	5 70	3 60	2 10	.....	550	1 40	1 70	.....	30
429	4 60	4 80	.....	20	552	4 24	2 20	.....	2 04
433	6 43	5 70	73	.....	557	8 13	6 55	.....	1 58
436	4 98	4 20	78	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

NOTE.—This statement does not include the per capita tax for second term of 1898, except when it was paid prior to January 1, 1899. Posts not having reported for first term, 1898, or prior, and whose balances do not exceed fifteen cents, are not included.

EXHIBIT "I."

STATEMENT SHOWING MEMBERSHIP IN GOOD STANDING OF EACH POST, WITH GAINS AND LOSSES.

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1897	1898		
Frank P. Blair	1	St. Louis	588	550	.....	38
Gen. Lyon	2	St. Louis	128	128	.....	.....
McPherson	4	Kansas City	175	185	10	.....
A. Lincoln	5	Moberly	74	76	2	.....
James A. Garfield	6	Jefferson City	54	35	.....	19
Custer	7	St. Joseph	160	139	.....	21
Farragut-Thomas	8	Kansas City	237	232	.....	5
Gen. Canby	10	Rich Hill	57	57	.....	.....
Jas. A. Mulligan	11	Lexington	34	32	.....	2
Ellsworth	12	Grant City	55	46	.....	9
Col. Hassendeubel	13	St. Louis	483	476	.....	7
O. P. Morton	14	Joplin	68	100	32	.....
Stanton	16	Carthage	115	123	8	.....
Joe Hooker	17	Cameron	76	85	9	.....
Phil. Kearney	19	Laclede	50	49	.....	1
Maj. James Wilson	20	Louisiana	32	32	.....	.....
Sedgewick	21	Maryville	138	133	.....	5
Corporal Dix	22	Kirksville	132	141	9	.....
F. A. Jones	23	Macon	43	45	2	.....
David A. Roberts	25	Glenwood	13	13	.....	.....
Gen. Joe Bailey	26	Nevada	78	80	2	.....
Tindall	29	Chjllicothe	41	45	4	.....
*Capt. Wagoner	31	Independence	20	.....	.....	20
S. A. Hurlburt	32	Hamilton	30	31	1	.....
Ben. Loan	33	Kingston	43	26	.....	17
McCook	34	Lamar	34	39	5	.....
Paddy Shields	36	Clarence	24	27	3	.....
Col. Forbes	38	La Plata	23	17	.....	6
Roderick Rockwood	39	Xenia	26	15	.....	11
Peabody	41	Savannah	24	26	2	.....
Albert Chandler	42	Macon	35	30	.....	5
W. T. Sherman	43	Hannibal	103	107	4	.....
McCullough	44	Milan	30	39	9	.....
Christian Meyer	45	Oregon	29	31	2	.....
Perry V. Fletcher	46	De Soto	7	7	.....	.....
Capt. J. L. Clark	47	Green City	24	22	.....	2
Gen. Geo. G. Meade	48	Lebanon	64	70	6	.....
Capt. D. M. Birch	49	Edgerton	15	.....	.....	.....
Col. Fred. Schaefer	51	Concordia	51	.....	.....	.....
Gen. Geo. R. Smith	53	Sedalia	178	164	.....	14

*Charter surrendered.

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1897	1898		
Thos. G. Wade	54	Unionville	44	31	.....	13
Reynolds	56	Graham	21	21	.....	.....
O. H. Wood	57	Brookfield	62	51	.....	11
Bates County	58	Butler	86	78	.....	8
Geo. H. Blunt	59	Pollock	29	.....	.....	.....
Gen. Wadsworth	60	Dawn	25	17	.....	8
Valentine Peters	61	Maitland	25	.....	.....	.....
Winfield Scott	63	Holden	38	.....	.....	.....
Golden City	64	Golden City	23	21	.....	2
Capt. Wm. Wilkinson	65	Mound City	52	60	8	.....
Kirkpatrick	66	Winston	21	21	.....	.....
Tarkio	67	Tarkio	30	31	1	.....
Gen. E. D. Baker	68	Green Ridge	24	21	.....	3
Capt. John Mathews	69	Springfield	78	85	7	.....
B. B. King	70	Canton	24	24	.....	.....
Col. Jacob Smith	72	Trenton	80	56	.....	24
Johnson Downen	73	Sticklerville	12	11	.....	1
Greenfield	75	Greenfield	47	44	.....	3
Jno. A. Dix	76	Kidder	34	35	1	.....
Col. Grover	78	Warrensburg	100	101	1	.....
Capt. Stanley	79	Princeton	62	26	.....	36
Rosseau	80	Ravanna	21	.....	.....	.....
L. W. Cooper	81	Lathrop	29	26	.....	3
Yaeger-Sharp	82	Wellsville	36	34	.....	2
Curtis	84	Sarcoxie	16	16	.....	.....
Lookout	85	Shelbina	15	.....	.....	.....
King City	86	King City	54	55	1	.....
C. G. Harker	88	Meadville	33	29	.....	4
Capt. J. H. Paynter	90	Jericho .....	.....	20	.....	.....
T. H. Richardson	92	Lancaster	17	17	.....	.....
Capt. C. C. Harvey	96	Maysville	32	32	.....	.....
Gen. G. B. Boomer	97	Linn	28	33	5	.....
Franklin Shanks	100	Lutesville	21	.....	.....	.....
Shelbyville	102	Shelbyville	20	21	1	.....
Chilhowee	103	Chilhowee	8	.....	.....	.....
Nichols	104	Gallatin	28	24	.....	4
Arthur Crockett	106	Malta Bend	28	26	.....	2
Harry P. Harding	107	St. Louis	171	153	.....	18
Jeff. C. Davis	108	Versailles	35	35	.....	.....
B. K. Davis	109	Hopkins	29	.....	.....	.....
Wm. McKee	110	Kahoka	45	54	9	.....
Miles Carroll	111	Iberia .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cameron Garrett	115	Carl Junction	34	43	9	.....
Jewell	118	Mt. Vernon	28	28	.....	.....
Marion	119	Stanberry	66	55	.....	11
Maple Grove	120	Maple Grove	15	15	.....	.....
Virgil Rogers	122	Martinstown	23	14	.....	9
Lieut. T. D. Neal	124	Bethany	71	73	2	.....
Salem	128	Salem	32	26	.....	6
Capt. J. H. Little	129	Denver	13	10	.....	3

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1897	1898		
Fred Miller	130	Tina	19	19		
Ransom	131	St. Louis	478	496	18	
Gentry	134	Albany	30	23		7
Sergt. B. H. Porch	135	Olean	25	24		1
Gen. J. G. Foster	137	Neosho	40			
Marionville	141	Marionville	33	34	1	
Stephen Decatur	142	Medoc	29	29		
Samuel McClure	145	Eldon	59	58		1
Avalon	146	Avalon	26			
J. J. Gravely	149	Bolivar	41	36		5
Liberty	150	Spickards	86	88	2	
D. N. Keeler	152	Melrose	36	37	1	
Wm. T. Kays	154	Arbela	14			
Loyalty	155	Creighton	29	31	2	
Geo. Miller	158	Bethel	47	43		4
Col. Henry E. Gilbert	160	Wheeling	24	14		10
Gen. Frank Herron	161	Buffalo	32	19		13
Marshall	162	Elmo	21	22	1	
Col. Islam Keith	164	Breckenridge	27	28	1	
Menke	166	La Grange	21	20		1
Jesse H. Moore	168	Braymer	40	26		14
J. H. Whitehead	171	Victoria	20	23	3	
J. B. Steadman	172	Appleton City	42	50	8	
Justi	173	Cape Girardeau	53	51		2
Maj. Hiram Gavitt	174	Fredericktown	10	13	3	
Seneca	175	Seneca	33	40	7	
Indian Springs	176	Indian Springs	11			
W. H. L. Wallace	177	Moundville	13	12		1
Stephen Estle	178	De Witt	34	31		3
Murray	179	Memphis	80	82	2	
Stambaugh	180	Austin	41	36		5
Mansfield	181	Powersville	52	52		
Chester Harding	182	St. Joseph	45	46	1	
Erich Pape	184	Bollinger Mills	19			
Maj. Hunt	185	New London	30	33	3	
John A. Rawlins	187	Pierce City	18	25	7	
John D. Mullins	188	Linneus	19			
Gen. Henry Wilson	189	Rolla	24	28	4	
W. B. Goodrich	190	Webb City	27	20		7
Austin Hubbard	194	Stockton	55	50		5
Col. Morsey	197	Warrenton	50	42		8
Rogersville	200	Rogersville	28	28		
Bradshaw	201	Mt. Moriah	15	14		1
Geo. N. McGee	206	Camden	22	20		2
Col. Brooks	207	Hannibal	18	16		2
McCroskey	210	Springfield	40	61	21	
Isaac Clevenger	211	Excelsior Springs	15	16	1	
Jas. A. K. Dillon	213	Lindley	14			
Sergt. Ryan	214	Brashear	53	33		20
Picket	215	Farmington	68	40		28

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1897	1898		
Cainsville	216	Cainsville.....	39	37		2
Bennett Ford	217	Williamstown	10	11	1	
Jno. Williams.....	218	Fairport	15			
Republic	219	Republic	28	32	4	
Jamesport	220	Jamesport	12	12		
Norcross	221	Novelty	38	36		2
S. L. Turley.....	222	Bancroft.....	31	19		12
Reuben Dale.....	223	Eagleville	42	46	4	
Guy Ward.....	224	Hale	12			
*Col. Almstaedt.....	227	Fenton	12			12
Union	229	Laddonia	15	13		2
Lieut. S. A. M. George	232	Humansville	47	54	7	
Thos. J. Brouster	233	Clayton	46	45		1
Ash Grove	234	Ash Grove	34	28		6
Gen. Fred. D. Steele.....	235	Montrose	34	35	1	
U. S. Grant	236	Lincoln	9	12	3	
Farnsworth	237	Warsaw	19			
W. S. Hancock	239	Mexico	38	24		14
John A. Hayn	240	Boonville	47	48	1	
Galt	241	Galt	23	23		
Pattonsburg.....	242	Pattonsburg	23			
Andy Smith.....	243	Willow Springs	22	30	8	
Fred. Steele.....	244	Cole Camp	18	15		3
Jack Grant	245	Knox City	20	20		
John W. Rawlins	247	West Plains	29	24		5
Fordland	249	Fordland				
Ulysses	250	Mirabile	11	11		
Col. Leonard	251	Eldorado Springs.....	42	57	15	
Mt. McGregor.....	252	Metz	38	28		10
Mt. Pleasant	253	Belton	12			
J. N. Hilton.....	254	Forsythe	26	15		11
John Boon	257	Licking	51	52	1	
Mitchell	258	Gatewood	16			
Blanchard	260	S. Blanchard	10			
Sergt.-Maj. McIntosh.....	261	Hermitage				
Johnson	262	Centralia	13	13		
Cuba	263	Cuba	35	29		6
Morgan L. Smith.....	264	Deepwater	25	26	1	
Pinhart	268	Brunswick	46	42		4
Sergt. Plummer	269	Sparta	31	23		8
Baker	271	Pineville.....	15	10		5
Difani	273	Perryville.....	65	59		6
Norwood	274	Norwood	23	9		14
Henry Brown	276	Clarksburg.....	107	101		6
Jno. Kelsey	278	Cosby.....	14	15	1	
Edinburg	279	Edinburg	15	12		3
Wakefield Stanley	282	Carrollton	41	42	1	
Wakefield	283	Fair Play	20			
Geo. G. Bryan	284	Belgrade	30	30		
Jim Carnes.....	285	Rockport	23			

*Charter surrendered.

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1897	1898		
Chas. Sumner	286	Boonville	11	.....	.....	.....
Warren	287	Rockville	11	24	13	.....
Thos. S. Staples	288	Fairmont .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maj. Bartlett	289	Troy	14	13	.....	1
Fred Hecker	290	Pacific	29	29	.....	.....
Robert McElroy	291	Clarksville	30	.....	.....	.....
Geo. Gamble	293	Hemker	24	24	.....	.....
Col. Geiger	294	Highlandville	14	.....	.....	.....
Cap. Blandowsky	296	New Haven	17	.....	.....	.....
John S. Phelps	297	St. James	43	50	7	.....
*Stewartsville	298	Stewartsville	7	.....	.....	7
C. A. Arthur	299	Mansfield	50	55	5	.....
Chas. Demny	301	St. Louis	35	34	.....	1
Negley	302	Ottomer	10	.....	.....	.....
Bob. Ford	303	Coffeysburg	18	19	1	.....
Jno. A. Logan	304	St. Louis	40	43	3	.....
Ben Grigsby	305	Mandeville	12	.....	.....	.....
Geo. W. Tyler	311	Ford City	20	20	.....	.....
Dan McCook	312	Leesville	23	23	.....	.....
Wm. F. Lane	313	Strafford .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jno. D. Rohye	314	Cedar Hill	26	21	.....	5
Jordan Wilson	316	Clarksville .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gen. Hunter	317	Lamonte	11	.....	.....	.....
Capt. Manwaring	320	Hermann	40	30	.....	10
Capt. J. M. Baird	322	Verona	28	30	2	.....
Geo. V. Pitts	324	Stanton	15	.....	.....	.....
Capt. J. Felix St. James	326	Ste. Genevieve	54	47	.....	7
Adrian	327	Adrian	20	16	.....	4
Simpson Mason	328	Bakersfield	12	.....	.....	.....
Gordon Granger	329	Clinton	38	44	6	.....
Jonah W. Reser	330	Urbana	43	33	.....	10
Jno. P. McCluney	331	Higginsville	29	21	.....	8
James W. Owens	332	Washington	51	47	.....	4
Gen. Jas. H. Hart	333	Piedmont .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
H. G. Blake	335	Panacea	18	9	.....	9
James Ward	337	Jasper	32	33	1	.....
Houston	339	Houston	41	31	.....	10
Evans	340	Economy	21	22	1	.....
Sergt. L. J. Roach	342	Montreal .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Col. Shaw	343	St. Louis	71	70	.....	1
Franz Wilhelm	344	Union .....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jesse Owens	345	Bear Creek	29	29	.....	.....
Iron	346	Ironton	17	17	.....	.....
*Levi F. Pennington	347	Truxton	10	.....	.....	10
H. C. Beckett	348	Mineral Point	32	22	.....	10
Capt. Jas. Johnson	350	Arnsberg	19	18	.....	1
Pardee	352	Cabool	20	.....	.....	.....
Sergt. P. P. Mabrey	354	Chaonia	11	12	1	.....
Dixon	355	Dixon	18	14	.....	4
Zincite	356	Zincite .....	.....	.....	.....	.....

*Charter surrendered.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1897	1898		
R. L. Ferguson	358	Sweet Springs	40	37		3
Splitlog	359	Splitlog	15			
Daniel Miies	360	Iantha	21	22	1	
Sac River	362	Seybert	42	43	1	
Appleton	365	Appleton	18	21	3	
Upton	366	Sheridan	27	22		5
Roscoe	367	Roscoe	18			
Samuel Lewis	370	Cunningham	22	25	3	
Stella	371	Stella	24	23		1
Col. Putnam	373	Allendale				
R. P. Carnes	374	Dunlap	27	29	2	
Harwood	375	Harwood	29	29		
Capt. J. W. Robertson	377	Ozark	35	28		7
Capt. Tom. Walker	379	Leora	31	35	4	
Commerce	382	Commerce	23			
Jas. A. Dollans	383	Mountain View	14			
Dawn	384	Osceola	29	23		6
Long Lane	385	Long Lane				
Albert Harrison	386	Climax Springs	31	20		11
Marceline	387	Marceline	34	27		7
Jacob Yount	390	Yount	28	28		
Pike	391	Bowling Green	31	33	2	
Southwest City	392	Southwest City	20	17		3
Capt. J. A. Bowers	393	Milford	24	19		6
Brookline	397	Brookline	13	13		
Phil. Sheridan	398	Walnut Grove	13			
Capt. L. F. Bierwirth	402	Cape Girardeau	14	14		
Durbin A. Ward	405	Pickering	17	17		
Corporal Doke	406	Garrison	17	15		2
Conway	407	Conway	34	28		6
Col. Kregel	408	St. Peters	25	22		3
Jno. Shelton	409	Palace	12	13	1	
Capt. Kelso	411	Astoria	22			
Downing	412	Newark	19	19		
David Hewitt	414	Louisburg				
Tiff City	416	Tiff City	8	8		
Smithton	417	Smithton	11	11		
Sergt. Clay Shaw	418	Sedalia	20	20		
Fred. Roether	420	Montgomery City	29	30	1	
*Capt. Bradway	421	Crocker	19			19
Florence	423	Florence	17	14		3
Col. A. J. Webber	424	Wakenda	16	21	5	
Wm. Hawkins	425	Brumley	35	35		
Hunnewell	426	Monroe City				
Thos. Gordon	428	Polo	33	25		8
John V. Hoover	429	Elkland	50	21		29
Holt	430	Craig	20	17		3
Jos. S. Wray	431	Egypt Mills	13	13		
Columbia	432	Columbia	24	12		12
David D. Porter	433	Mountain Grove	29	23		6

*Charter surrendered.

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	Loss.
			1897	1898		
J. B. Wicker	434	Richland	26	28	2	
Thos. Shelton	435	Howland	23	23		
Jos. A. Mower	436	Hartville	21	21		
Gen. Simon Cameron	437	Cross Timbers	19	16		3
Gen. Hazen	440	Foster	14			
Alton	441	Alton				
Hume	442	Hume	12	12		
Gen. Madison Miller	444	St. Louis	38	38		
Obediah Gray	446	Moody				
Capt. Bauer	447	Berger	18	17		1
Fair Grove	449	Fair Grove	18			
David Rees	450	Smithville				
Tipton	452	Tipton				
E. E. Kimball	453	Middletown	28	25		3
Calhoun	454	Calhoun				
McClain	455	Centretown				
De Kalb	456	DeKalb	13			
Warren T. Stewart	457	Benton	19			
Col. J. P. Brownlow	458	Plew	12	24	12	
Jno. Whaling	459	St. Joseph	15			
Capt. J. S. Robb	461	Jenkins	13	12		1
Ephraim Gaither	462	Aurora	23	20		3
Louis Duemler	465	St. Clair	34	26		8
Vandalia	466	Vandalia	32	33	1	
Maj. Leonard	468	Higbee	31	25		6
Lieut. Brooks	469	Ashland	19			
Gen. Geo. D. Crook	470	Slater				
Ethel	471	Ethel				
Callaway	472	Fulton	15	11		4
L. W. Weatherman	473	Clyde	8	8		
New Union	478	Fair Dealing	25	23		2
T. R. Lane	479	Montreal	25			
Goulding	481	Buckhart	18	13		5
Jno. C. Fremont	482	Norris	12	9		3
Geo. B. McClellan	485	Washington				
Dillard Bell	487	Elmer	11	13	2	
L. Stevenson	488	Pocahontas	14	15	1	
Maj. Ennis	489	Greentop	20	17		3
W. W. Leggett	490	Duncan's Bridge	19			
Eagle	492	Monett	29	33	4	
Jas. H. Fort	494	Greencastle				
E. D. Brown	495	Lead Mine	46			
Col. Meumann	496	St. Louis	121	103		18
Maj. Montgomery	498	Ardeola				
Jno. S. Miller	499	Guilford				
Monroe Lee	504	Golden	15	14		1
Col. P. Cornyn	505	Chamois	14			
Jno. Tietzens	506	Indian Grove	49	37		12
Maj. Worthington	507	Shell Knob	22	21		1
Whitesville	510	Whitesville	19	20	1	

NAME OF POST.	No.	LOCATION.	In Good Standing Dec. 31.		GAIN.	LOSS.
			1897	1898		
Harrison A. Gleim.....	512	Tipton.....	46	46		
Jesse Turnage.....	514	Rayville.....	36	24		12
Liberal.....	515	Liberal.....	42	36		6
J. H. Crenshaw.....	516	Cartersville.....	37	39	2	
Parnell City.....	517	Parnell City.....	17	13		4
F. M. Slagle.....	520	Exeter.....	11			
Drexel.....	524	Drexel.....				
Geo. W. Murphy.....	525	Cowgill.....	38	38		
Geo. W. Walker.....	526	Darlington.....	14	15	1	
Ben. Lewis.....	529	Glasgow.....	15			
Aldrich.....	536	Aldrich.....				
Tecumseh.....	537	Ridge Prairie.....	26	26		
Tillman Tirrell.....	539	Moberly.....	10			
J. H. Weirich.....	540	Spring Bluff.....	22	18		4
W. H. Harrison.....	542	Bland.....	17			
*S. S. Bell.....	543	Festus.....	11			11
Gen. Jere. M. Rusk.....	544	St. Charles.....	11	14	3	
Ridgeway.....	545	Ridgeway.....	13	15	2	
T. L. Hampton.....	546	Newport.....	10	10		
Wm. A. Mills.....	548	Boyles' Mills.....	19	19		
Col. John A. Davis.....	549	Windsor.....	25	29	4	
Seligman.....	550	Seligman.....	18	14		4
Blythedale.....	551	Blythedale.....	29	28		1
Denver.....	552	Baxter.....	12			
Thos. Welch.....	553	Kirbyville.....	19			
Gatzweiler.....	554	St. Charles.....	30	24		6
Urich.....	555	Urich.....	17			
Capt. Chas. T. Ernst.....	556	Easton.....	17			
L. B. Hutchinson.....	557	McElhanev.....	19	9		10
Garretson.....	558	Poplar Bluff.....	32			
Gen. A. J. Smith.....	559	Alba.....	18			
James A. Hill.....	560	Ellsinore.....	16	17	1	
A. C. Marvin.....	561	Collins.....	17	23	3	
Col. Asa G. Smith.....	562	Walnut Shade.....	17			
Blue Springs.....	563	Blue Springs.....	18	27	9	
East Lynne.....	564	East Lynne.....	21	20		1
Gen. John McNeil.....	565	Queen City.....	22			
Burnside.....	566	Pleasant Hill.....		21	21	
Jas. F. How.....	567	Moberly.....		14	14	

*Charter surrendered.

EXHIBIT "J."

LIST OF POSTS IN DEPARTMENT IN GOOD STANDING, SUSPENDED,
CHARTER ANNULLED, SURRENDERED OR OTHERWISE LOST.

No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.	No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.
1	1					41	1				
2	1					42	1				
3					1	43	1				
4	1				Cons'd with Post 8	44	1				
5	1					45	1				
6	1					46	1				
7	1					47	1				
8	1					48	1				
9	Surrendered Charter 1885; reinstated in 1886; no other information.					49	1				
10	1					50				1	
11	1					51	1				
12	1					52				1	
13	1					53	1				
14	1					54	1				
15					1	55			1		
16	1					56	1				
17	1					57	1				
18					1	58	1				
19	1					59	1				
20	1					60	1				
21	1					61	1				
22	1					62			1		
23	1					63	1				
24					1	64	1				
25	1					65	1				
26	1					66	1				
27					1	67	1				
28					1	68	1				
29	1					69	1				
30					1	70	1				
31	1					71					No record.
32	1					72	1				
33	1					73	1				
34	1					74					No record.
35					1	75	1				
36	1					76	1				
37	Charter annulled 1888; reinstated in 1889; no further record.					77				1	
38	1					78	1				
39	1					79	1				
40					1	80			1		No record.

No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.		No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.	
81	1						128	1					
82	1						129	1					
83					1		130	1					
84	1						131	1					
85	1						132					1	
86	1						133					1	
87				1			134	1					
88	1						135	1					
89					1		136				1		
90	1						137	1					
91				1			138					1	
92	1						139				1		
93		1					140				1		
94					1		141	1					
95					1		142	1					
96	1						143				1		
97	1						144		1				
98					1		145	1					
99				1			146	1					
100	1						147		1				
101					1		148		1				
102	1						149	1					
103	1						150	1					
104	1						151				1		
105					1		152	1					
106	1						153				1		
107	1						154		1				No record.
108	1						155	1					
109	1						156				1		
110	1						157					1	
111	1						158	1					
112					1		159						No record.
113				1			160	1					
114				1			161	1					
115	1						162	1					
116				1			163		1				
117		1					164	1					
118	1						165				1		
119	1						166	1					
120	1						167				1		
121		1					168	1					
122	1						169		1				
123			1				170	1					
124	1						171	1					
125				1			172	1					
126				1			173	1					
127					1		174	1					

No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.		No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.	
175	1						222	1					
176	1						223	1					
177	1						224	1					
178	1						225			1			
179	1						226			1			
180	1						227					1	
181	1						228				1		
182	1						229	1					
183					1		230					1	
184	1						231						No record.
185	1						232	1					
186					1		233	1					
187	1						234	1					
188	1						235	1					
189	1						236	1					
190	1						237	1					
191				1			238				1		
192		1					239	1					
193					1		240	1					
194	1						241	1					
195					1		242	1					
196					1		243	1					
197	1						244	1					
198				1			245	1					
199					1		246					1	
200	1						247	1					
201	1						248			1			
202					1		249	1					
203					1		250	1					
204				1			251	1					
205					1		252	1					
206	1						253	1					
207	1						254	1					
208					1		255					1	
209		1				No record.	256						No record.
210	1						257	1					
211	1						258	1					
212			1				259				1		
213	1						260	1					
214	1						261		1				No record.
215	1						262	1					
216	1						263	1					
217	1						264	1					
218	1						265						Disbanded.
219	1						266					1	
220	1						267				1		
221	1						268	1					

No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.		No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.	
269	1						316	1					
270				1			317					1	
271	1						318			1			
272						No record.	319					1	
273	1						320	1					
274	1						321			1			
275			1				322	1					
276	1						323			1			
277			1				324	1					
278	1						325						No record.
279	1						326	1					
280	1						327	1					
281			1				328	1					
282	1						329	1					
283	1						330	1					
284	1						331	1					
285	1						332	1					
286	1						333	1					
287	1						334				1		
288	1						335	1					
289	1						336				1		
290	1						337	1					
291	1						338			1			
292					1		339	1					
293	1						340	1					
294	1						341				1		
295						No record.	342	1					
296	1						343	1					
297	1						344				1		
298					1		345	1					
299	1						346	1					
300			1				347				1		
301	1						348	1					
302	1						349				1		
303	1						350	1					
304	1						351			1			
305	1						352		1	1			No record.
306					1		353				1		
307					1		354	1					
308					1		355	1					
309			1				356	1					
310					1		357				1		
311	1						358	1					
312	1						359	1					
313	1						360	1					
314	1						361			1			
315					1		362	1					

No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.	No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.
363				1		410			1		
364			1			411	1				
365	1					412	1				
366	1					413					1
367	1					414	1				
368			1			415			1		
369					1	416	1				
370	1					417	1				
371	1					418	1				
372					1	419			1		
373	1					420	1				
374	1					421					1
375	1					422			1		
376					1	423	1				
377	1					424	1				
378					1	425	1				
379	1					426	1				
380					1	427					1
381					1	428	1				
382	1					429	1				
383	1					430	1				
384	1					431	1				
385	1					432	1				
386	1					433	1				
387	1					434	1				
388					1	435	1				
389					1	436	1				
390	1					437	1				
391	1					438					1
392	1					439	1				
393	1					440	1				
394			1			441	1				
395					1	442	1				
396					1	443					1
397	1					444	1				
398	1					445			1		
399					No record.	446		1			No record.
400					1	447	1				
401					1	448					1
402	1					449	1				
403					1	450		1			No record.
404			1			451					No record.
405	1					452	1				
406	1					453	1				
407	1					454		1			No record.
408	1					455	1				
409	1					456	1				

No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.		No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.	
457	1						503						No record.
458	1						504	1					
459	1						505	1					
460					1		506	1					
461	1						507	1					
462	1						508		1				
463					1		509	1					
464		1				No record.	510	1					
465	1						511		1				No record.
466	1						512	1					
467	1		1			Still carried on Rp't to A. G.	513						No record.
468	1						514	1					
469	1						515	1					
470	1						516	1					
471	1						517	1					
472	1						518					1	
473	1						519		1				No record.
474					1		520	1					
475					1		521		1				No record.
476			1				522					1	
477	1						523						No record.
478	1						524	1					
479	1						525	1					
480		1				No record.	526	1					
481	1						527			1			
482	1						528		1				
483					1		529	1					
484			1				530	1					
485	1						531	1					
486					1		532	1					
487	1						533					1	
488	1						534	1					
489	1						535		1				
490	1						536	1					
491					1		537	1					
492	1						538		1				
493		1				No record.	539	1					
494	1						540	1					
495	1						541					1	
496	1						542	1					
497							543					1	
498	1				1		544	1					
499	1						545	1					
500						No record.	546	1					
501					1		547					1	
502					1		548	1					
							549	1					

No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.	No. of Post.	In Good Standing on Nat. Report.	In Good Standing as per Roster.	Suspended.	Charter Annulled.	Charter Surrendered.
550	1					559	1				
551	1					560	1				
552	1					561	1				
553	1					562					1
554	1					563	1				
555	1					564	1				
556	1					565	1				
557	1					566	1				
558	1					567	1				
Totals						374					

In the list of Posts chartered there are reported as in good standing on sheets for compiling reports to Adjutant General .. 374
 Posts whose charters have been annulled 41
 Posts whose charters have been surrendered 79
 Posts standing suspended as far as I have been able to trace the records 43
 Posts reported as disbanded 1
 Posts on Roster but of which I have been unable to obtain record of their disbandment, surrender or annulment of charter, but are not on the report to Adjutant General 14
 Posts not on Adjutant General's report, but of which I can find no record of disbandment, annulment or surrender of charter... 16
568
 Deducting Post No. 467, which is reported as surrendered, but is carried on the Adjutant General's report 1
567
 Total number of Posts chartered 567
 If to those reported in good standing on the Adjutant General's sheet (from which consolidated reports are made) which is 374 is added those on the Roster, but not on Adjutant General's report (see above) 14
388
 Will give 388
 Which is the number of Posts reported by this Department to the Adjutant General as in good standing.

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MO., G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE. }
 TRENTON, MO., April 10, 1899. }

A. G. PETERSON, Department Commander, St. Louis, Mo. :

Dear Sir and Comrade—In accordance with the requirements of the laws of our order, I submit this my report as Judge Advocate for the year.

When called upon, I have rendered the following opinions :

OPINION No. 1.

June 30, 1898.

Your letter of the 28th inst., enclosing letter of J. B. Davis, Adjutant Post No. 4, was received, in which you request my opinion as to whether William C. Ebert is entitled to membership in our order. Comrade Davis in his letter says : " That in the latter part of July, 1862, he, Ebert, joined a military company at Hannibal, Missouri, for the protection of government stores, and while performing such duties under the direction of the provost-marshal at that point, and before he was mustered into the U. S. service, he, on the night of the 6th of August, 1862, received a gun-shot wound in the left arm, which necessitated its amputation the next day." From this letter, I infer that he never was mustered into the United States service.

While I would not, under any circumstances, exclude any person from our order who was entitled to its benefits and protection, I will have to say to you that, in my opinion, Mr. Eber is ineligible to membership in the order, as he was never mustered into the United States service. See Art. 4, Chap. 1, Rules and Regulations of 1888.

OPINION No. 2.

July 2, 1898.

I am in receipt of your letter of June 30th, enclosing letter of E. M. Mitchell, Commander of Post No. 282, Carrollton, Mo. Commander Mitchell says the the applicant was convicted in the U. S. Court at Kansas City of irregularity in connection with pension frauds as a notary public, 1894, but he does not state in what the irregularity consisted, or whether it was intentional or unintentional; but we are disposed to give him the benefit of the doubt, as the Post Commander says that the moral standing of the applicant is in all other respects good. We, therefore, do not think he is disqualified for membership in our order.

OPINION No. 3.

December 9, 1898.

Your letter of the 7th inst. is received, in which you state that Gen. John A. Logan Post No. 694 has for the past three or four years dispensed with the holding of its meetings during the summer months of May, June, July, August and September, and ask my opinion upon the legality of the action.

I have carefully examined our laws, both our printed Rules and Regulations of the year 1898 and the Grand Army Blue Book. So far as I am able to learn, there has been no decision rendered directly involving the point; but Section 1, Article 5, of Chapter 2, Rules and Regulations, is as follows: "Section 1. The stated meetings of each Post shall be held at least monthly." See also the Grand Army Blue Book of 1895, page 115. The language of this section of our laws is too plain to be misunderstood; and if the Post, either by its by-laws or a vote of the Post, dispenses with meeting for more than one month at a time, they do it in direct violation of the laws of our order. If they have a by-law authorizing the dispensing of regular meetings for more than one month, such by-law is illegal and void. If such violation is persisted in after proper and timely admonition, in my opinion, it would be the duty of the Department Commander, after having his attention called to the fact, to arrest the charter of such Post, however painful or unpleasant.

OPINION No. 4.

October 31, 1898.

Your letter of the 27th inst., containing record of court martial proceedings of Comrade Lamar Hood, of S. A. Hurlbut Post No. 32, received, in which you request my opinion as to the legality of the proceedings.

I have examined this record and our laws governing the case, and am clearly of the opinion that the proceedings are illegal and void, for the reasons:

1. That under Section 3, Article 6, Chapter 5, of Rules and Regulations, the court martial should have been ordered by the Post, and this record, as we understand it, shows that it was ordered by Special Order No. 1, issued by the Post Commander.

2. It is illegal and void for the further reason that the record fails to show that the accused was notified of the proceedings lodged against him. Section 4, Article 6, Chapter 5, of Rules and Regulations, requires the accused to be notified. The latter clause of the section is as follows: "That in the willful absence of the accused after due notice of the time and place of trial has been given to him or left at his usual place of abode, the court may proceed in all respects as if he were present and had pleaded not guilty." The record in this case shows

that the accused was not present, and fails to show that he had received the notice as required by law.

These are jurisdictional facts and must be shown by the face of the record, or the proceedings will be void. From the face of the record the Comrade knows nothing about any charges being preferred against him, and has been deprived of one of the most sacred rights guaranteed to American citizens, that is, the privilege of meeting his accusers face to face in open court, and allowed to make defence in person as well as by attorney.

See, also, Grand Army Blue Book, pages 253 and 254, and pages 287 and 288.

OPINION No. 5.

January 19, 1899.

When I first received your communication in regard to the appeal from Col. Leonard Post No. 251, I was of the opinion that the vote should be by ball ballot. I then based my opinion upon Opinion 142, page 220, of the Grand Army Blue Book, dated October 16th, 1882. I, on further examination, find that that opinion was based upon Section 4, Article 4, Chapter 5, of Rules and Regulations in force at that time, which provided that a dropped Comrade "can be reinstated only by the Post which dropped him, by a two-thirds vote by ballot of all the members present and voting at a stated meeting." This section was amended at the Twenty-eighth National Encampment, held at Pittsburg, to read as follows: "A Comrade may be reinstated in the Post from which he was dropped by making a written statement to that effect, and on receiving a majority vote of those present at any regular meeting, upon payment of one year's dues." See Journal of 1894, page 211.

This same section, as amended, was brought before the Committee on Rules, Regulations and Ritual at the National Encampment at Louisville, in 1895, which committee, in its report, state that the object of this amendment was to provide for reinstatement of dropped members with less formality. We see from the foregoing that the opinion referred to has no application whatever to this section as amended, and as the object and purpose of the amendment was to reinstate dropped members with less formality, we are clearly of the opinion that a vote by ball ballot, under this amended section, is unnecessary, and that a *viva voce* vote is all that is required.

OPINION No. 6.

January 14, 1899.

Yours of the 7th inst. received yesterday too, late to answer.

The question: Is J. A. Buckland, who enlisted September 1, 1862, as First Lieutenant Co. I, 17th Mo. E. M., but was never discharged, entitled to membership in the G.A.R. I have looked this question up with

some care, and find no decision or opinion directly in point. But according to my construction of Article 4, Chapter 1, of Rules and Regulations, I do not think he is eligible to membership in the order. He did not belong to the United States Army or Navy or Marine Corps that served between April 12, 1861, and April 9, 1865; was not honorably discharged therefrom after such service, and was not a member of a State regiment that was called into active service and subject to the orders of U. S. General Officers, which are prerequisites to membership in the order.

OPINION No. 7.

January 20, 1899.

I am in receipt of yours of January 16th, enclosing record of the court martial proceedings against Comrade O. F. Carpenter, of Geo. W. Murphy Post, No. 523.

In my opinion the whole proceedings are illegal and void. Neither of the charges or specifications upon which Comrade Carpenter was convicted states a cause of action against him. The second charge is for violation of the Rules and Regulations, or lawful orders of the G. A. R.

"Specification. In this, that the said Comrade did participate and vote in the convention at Cameron, Mo., of the G. A. R., and did respond to his name and act as a delegate from Post No. 514, a Post to which he did not belong. This was at the third Congressional District Reunion Convention at Cameron, in June, 1897."

It seems to me that we only need to state this charge and specification in order to show the illegality of the same. In the first place, our laws, Rules and Regulations nowhere provide for or authorize any such thing as a "Congressional District Reunion Convention." In the second place, the evidence does not show that the Comrade was not authorized by Post No. 514 to represent it at said convention. The fact that the Comrade belongs to Post No. 523 would not disqualify him to act as a delegate from Post No. 514, if Post No. 514 had authorized him so to act; and if Post No. 514 had not authorized him to speak for and represent it, that would be a private matter between that Post and the Comrade, and entirely foreign from the object and purposes of our order. I take it that a Post can appoint an agent or person who does not belong to the order at all to represent it in a public meeting not authorized by the rules of the order.

The first charge against the Comrade is, "With a violation of his pledge given at the time of his muster."

"Specification. In this that the said Comrade O. F. Carpenter did use his membership of the G. A. R. by pledging his word and honor as a gentleman and as a Comrade to Comrades J. M. Michael and C. P. Dalrymple to induce them to go on his note at the Farmers' Union

Bank of Cowgill for the sum of fifty dollars, all of which they had to pay, principal and interest."

Section 11, Article 6, Chapter 5, of Rules and Regulations, specify the offenses for which a Comrade may be court martialed. Under the most liberal and broad construction of this section, we do not see how it could be construed to embrace this first charge and specification. All that there is to this charge and specification is that the Comrade got two of his Comrades to sign a note with him as security to the bank which they afterwards had to pay.

Now, if we know anything about our order, it is not a collection agency, and never was intended as such. That is a matter that pertains to the civil court, of which our order has nothing to do. See Opinion 32, page 253, in G. A. R. Blue Book, also Opinion 1, page 278, G. A. R. Blue Book, in which it gives the following: "The National Encampment has already decided (Decision 32, page 252, Blue Book) that 'defrauding in money matters not connected with Grand Army affairs will not support the charge of conduct unbecoming a soldier and a gentleman in his relations to the G. A. R.'"

We cannot think that our order, based as it is upon Fraternity and Charity, one of the objects of which is "to assist such former Comrades in arms as need help and protection, and to extend needful aid to the widows and orphans of those who have fallen," would for a moment tolerate a law that would punish a Comrade by dishonorable discharge (and thus disgrace him for ever in the eyes of all honorable men) because he had entered into a contract, or made a promise, which, through sickness, misfortune, or disability that perhaps he had contracted in line of duty in the defence of his country, he is afterwards unable to fulfill.

OPINION No. 8.

February 11, 1899.

You asked me, in your letter of February 6th, if there is any law upon our statutes prohibiting the carrying of arms by bodies of men. We answer no, unless assembled for unlawful purposes, or in resistance of law and lawful authority.

OPINION No. 9.

February 11, 1899.

You asked my opinion as to the legality of auxiliary associations to Grand Army Posts, composed of persons not eligible to membership in our order. I have looked this matter up with some care, and find no law authorizing the same. In fact, Decision No. 2, page 17, of the Grand Army Blue Book holds that such an organization is unauthorized and illegal. While I think the organization you propose as outlined might be of great benefit to the order in many instances, I fear the action of the Department in that respect would be condemned with-

out some additional legislation. I think it would be well for our Department to request the National Encampment to amend the laws so as to authorize the same.

In conclusion, I thank you for the honor you conferred upon me by appointing me Judge Advocate, and for the many acts of kindness you have shown me during the year. I assure you I appreciate the same.

I likewise thank Comrades John W. Pachall and Jas. B. Wilde, A. A.-G.'s, for their kindness and assistance.

With the kindest regards and best wishes for every Comrade, I am

Ever yours, in F., C. & L.,

GEO. HALL,

Judge Advocate.

REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER, }
 CAPE GIRARDEAU, April 10, 1899. }

To A. G. PETERSON, Department Commander.

Comrade: I herewith submit to you my report of the Posts mustered during my term of office.

STATEMENT.

No.	Name.	Location.	Date.	Members.	By whom must'd.
567	Jas. F. How	Moberly.....	Sept. 3, '98	14	H. A. Yaco.
568	Everton.....	Everton.....	Jan. 6, '99	18	J. A. Davis.
238	Lowry City..	Lowry City..	Mch 15, '99	22	J. W. Titus.

Total number of new Posts mustered..... 3

Re-mustered 1

Total number of members 54

I desire to return my sincere thanks to the special mustering officers and other Comrades who kindly assisted in organizing these new Posts.

I regret that my report is not larger in number, yet under the circumstances of the advanced ages of the majority of the Comrades we cannot expect many new Posts. Yours in F., C. and L.,

LOUIS F. KLOSTERMANN,

Chief Mustering Officer.

DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R. }
 OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR. }
 NEW LONDON, April 8, 1899. }

To A. G. PETERSON, Department Commander.

Comrade: I have the honor to present the following summary of the consolidated report of the inspection of the Posts of this Department for the year ending November 1, 1898:

Total number of Posts.....	213
Total number of members in good standing.....	9,276
Number of Posts inspected.....	213
Number of Posts not inspected.....	.....
Attendance of officers and members at Post meetings.....	176
Number of Posts in which the Ritual is properly exemplified.....	193
Number of Posts where officers and guards are properly unformed and equipped.....	109
Number of Posts where members are fully unformed.....	109
Number of Posts whose records are complete and well kept.....	206
Number of Posts whose reports and per capita tax have been forwarded.....	208
Number of Posts having a relief fund.....	47
Aggregate of Post relief funds.....	\$10,808.03
Aggregate expenditure by Posts for relief.....	2,316.47
Aggregate of funds in hands of Post Quartermasters.....	11,416.23
Aggregate value of other property owned by Posts.....	25,950.99
Number of Posts with Women's Relief Corps attached.....	69
Number of Posts with Sons of Veterans attached.....	21

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

FRANK BUCHANAN,

Department Inspector.

No. of Post.	NAME OF POST.	Number of members in good standing.	Is the work in the Ritual properly exemplified?	Are the officers and guards properly uniformed and equipped?	Are the members uniformed?	Are the officers regular in their attendance?	Are the members regular in their attendance?	Are the records complete and well kept?	Are orders received regularly, and read to the Post and filed?
1	Frank P. Blair.....	579	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
4	McPherson.....	186	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
5	A. Lincoln.....	76	yes	partly	partly	yes	AV 30pc	yes	yes
6	Jas. A. Garfield.....	55	yes	yes	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
7	Custer.....	147	yes	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes
8	Farragut-Thomas.....	289	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
10	Gen. Canby.....	57	yes	no	no	fairly	fairly	yes	yes
11	James A. Mulligan.....	32	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
13	Col. Hassendeubel.....	491	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
14	O. P. Morton.....	100	yes	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes
16	Stanton.....	122	yes	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes
17	Jos. Hooker.....	83	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
19	Phil. Kearney.....	49	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
20	Maj. Jas. Wilson.....	39	yes	no	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
21	Sedgwick.....	137	yes	no	no	yes	½	yes	yes
22	Corporal Dix.....	134	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
23	F. R. Jones.....	45	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
25	David R. Roberts.....	13	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
26	Gen. Jos. Bailey.....	77	yes	no	partly	yes	partly	yes	yes
32	S. A. Hurlburt.....	31	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
33	Ben. Loan.....	36	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
34	A. D. McCook.....	34	yes	partly	partly	yes	fair	yes	yes
36	Paddy Shields.....	27	yes	yes	partly	no	no	yes	yes
41	Peabody.....	26	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
42	Albert Chandler.....	32	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
43	W. T. Sherman.....	106	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
47	Capt. J. L. Clark.....	20	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
53	Gen. Geo. R. Smith.....	167	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
54	Thos. G. Wade.....	45	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
57	O. H. Wood.....	51	yes	yes	half	yes	yes	yes	yes
58	Bates County.....	84	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
60	Gen. Wadsworth.....	17	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
64	Golden City.....	21	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
65	Col. W. Wilkinson.....	60	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
67	Tarkio.....	39	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
68	Gen. E. D. Baker.....	22	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
69	Capt. John Matthews.....	87	partly	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
70	B. E. King.....	24	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
75	Greenfield.....	42	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
76	John A. Dix.....	37	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
78	Col. Grover.....	105	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
82	Yeager-Sharp.....	36	yes	yes	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes
86	King City.....	56	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
88	C. G. Harker.....	30	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
92	T. H. Richardson.....	17	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
96	Capt. C. C. Harvey.....	32	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
97	Gen. G. B. Boomer.....	33	yes	partly	half	yes	yes	yes	yes
102	Shelbyville.....	21	yes	no	no	partly	partly	no	yes
103	Chilhowee.....	8	yes	no	no	no	no	no	yes
104	Nicholas.....	28	yes	no	partly	yes	good	yes	yes
106	Arthur Crockett.....	.....	fair	no	no	fairly	half	yes	yes
107	Henry P. Harding.....	151	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
108	Jeff. C. Davis.....	35	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
110	Wm. McKee.....	44	yes	no	no	yes	partly	yes	yes
115	Cameron Garrett.....	45	no	partly	partly	no	no	yes	yes
118	Jewell.....	28	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes

Have all reports and taxes been forwarded?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Total amount expended for relief.	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermaster.	Value of other property owned by the Post.	Is there a Corps of the W. R. C. connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans?	What are the prospects for the future?	No. of Post.
yes	yes	88 83 06	\$375 75	44 38	\$3,500 00	yes	no	excellent	1
yes	yes	153 92	98 00	12 37	347 94	yes	no	good	4
yes	no	171 75	151 75	171 56	75 00	yes	no	good	5
yes	yes	8 21	75 73	2,145 48	300 00	yes	yes	fair	6
yes	no		50 00			yes	no	good	7
yes	no			8 15	39 50	no	no	fair	8
yes	no		7 35	81 76	100 00	no	no	good	10
yes	yes	32 75	137 75	523 12	5,248 30	yes	yes	good	11
yes	yes					yes	no	good	13
yes	yes	117 80	80 30	194 23	50 00	yes	yes	good	14
yes	yes	25 80	6 57		145 00	yes	yes	good	16
yes	yes			21 58 56	72 00	no	yes	good	17
yes	no			21 18	40 00	no	no	dull	19
yes	yes	212 75	18 55	706 22	320 50	yes	no	fair	20
yes	no			2 50		yes	no	good	21
yes	no		3 08	80 94	50 00	yes	no	fair	22
yes	no		30 00			no	no	fair	23
yes	no		30 00	21 15	50 00	yes	no	good	25
yes	no			34 68	75 00	no	no	good	26
yes	no		40 00	15 00	150 00	yes	no	good	27
yes	no		5 00		230 00	no	no	fair	28
yes	no		4 00	6 85	40 00	no	no	fair	29
yes	no			75	30 00	no	no	fair	30
yes	no		60 00	80 00	75 00	yes	no	good	31
yes	no		5 00		965 00	yes	no	good	32
yes	no	11 28	76 40	15 98	30 00	no	no	good	33
yes	no		76 80	56 56	137 30	yes	yes	good	34
yes	no			11 00		no	no	good	35
yes	no		3 90	23 40	250 00	yes	no	good	36
yes	no			07	20 00	yes	no	good	37
yes	no		3 00		10 00	yes	no	poor	38
yes	no			40 60	10 00	yes	no	fair	39
yes	no			44 64	25 00	no	no	good	40
no	no		5 00		75 00	no	no	good	41
yes	no		15 00		25 00	yes	no	fair	42
yes	yes	23 90	26 15	43 50	404 55	yes	no	good	43
yes	no			30 60		no	no	fair	44
yes	no			2 34	52 80	no	no	good	45
yes	no				18 00	no	no	good	46
yes	no		54 25	46 05	1,200 00	yes	no	fair	47
yes	no			20	70 00	yes	no	no good	48
yes	yes		10 30	13 23	20 00	no	no	fair	49
yes	yes	15 10	3 85	29 37	41 00	no	no	good	50
yes	no			10 08	32 00	no	no	poor	51
yes	yes	11 00				no	no	medium	52
yes	no		5 50	10 32	100 00	no	yes	good	53
yes	no		6 00	7 22	25 00	no	no	fair	54
yes	no			4 59	3 00	no	no	fair	55
yes	no			4 65	75 00	no	no	fair	56
yes	no		28 00	14 00	25 00	no	no	good	57
yes	yes	501 80		1,629 64		yes	yes	good	58
yes	no			3 85	50 00	no	no	poor	59
yes	no		11 85	84 00	218 55	no	no	good	60
yes	no			20 50	10 00	yes	no	good	61
yes	yes					no	no	fair	62

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119	Marion	66	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
122	Virgil Rogers	14	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
124	Lieut. T. D. Neal	72	yes	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
128	Salem	32	yes	no	no	fair	no	yes	yes
129	Capt. J. H. Little	10	part	part	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
131	Ransom	491	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
134	Gentry	26	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
141	Marionville	32	fair	no	no	fair	fair	yes	yes
142	Stephen Decatur	23	yes	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
143	Samuel McClure	58	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
149	J. J. Gravely	32	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
150	Liberty	86	yes	part	part	yes	yes	yes	yes
152	D. N. Keeler	37	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes
158	Geo. Miller	42	yes	part	part	yes	yes	yes	yes
160	Col. H. C. Gilbert	14	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
161	Gen F. J. Heron	18	yes	no	part	part	part	yes	yes
164	Col. Islam Keith	28	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
166	Menke	20	yes	no	no	fair	yes	yes	yes
171	J. N. Whitehead	...	yes	part	part	yes	yes	yes	yes
172	Gen. J. B. Steadman	47	yes	part	part	yes	yes	yes	yes
173	Justl	52	yes	yes	part	yes	yes	yes	yes
174	Maj. Hiram Garitt	13	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
175	Seneca	37	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
177	W. H. L. Wallace	12	yes	part	no	yes	no	yes	yes
178	Stephen Estle	33	no	no	part	part	no	yes	yes
179	Capt. W. G. Murray	82	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
180	Stambaugh	38	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
181	Mansfield	52	yes	part	part	fair	fair	yes	yes
185	Maj. Hunt	32	yes	part	part	part	no	yes	yes
187	John A. Rawlins	25	yes	part	part	yes	yes	yes	yes
189	Gen. Henry Wilson	28	no	part	part	no	no	yes	yes
191	Austin Hubbard	39	no	no	part	yes	yes	yes	yes
197	Col. Morsey	44	fairly	no	part	yes	no	yes	yes
200	Rogersville	29	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
201	Bradshaw	15	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
206	Geo. H. McGee	20	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
210	McCroskey	61	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
213	Jas. A. K. Dillon	14	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
214	Sergt. Ryan	53	yes	part	part	yes	yes	yes	yes
215	Picket	67	yes	part	part	yes	no	yes	yes
217	Bennett Ford	11	no	no	no	no	part	yes	yes
219	Republic	31	no	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
220	Jamesport	12	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
221	Norcross	34	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
222	S. L. Turley	17	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
223	Reuben Dale	44	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
229	Union	15	yes	partly	partly	Partly	partly	yes	yes
232	Lieut. S. A. M. George	54	yes	partly	partly	yes	partly	yes	yes
233	T. J. Brouster	46	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
234	Ash Grove	28	yes	partly	no	yes	no	yes	yes
235	Gen. Fred. D. Steele	34	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
236	U. S. Grant	12	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
239	W. S. Hancock	24	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
240	John A. Hayn	50	yes	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes
243	Andy Smith	30	yes	no	no	yes	no	no	yes
247	John W. Rollins	25	yes	no	partly	yes	no	yes	yes

Have all reports and taxes been forwarded?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Total amount expended for Relief.	Amount of money and securities in hands of Quartermaster.	Value of other property owned by the Post.	Is there a corps of the W. R. C. connected with the Post?	Is there a Camp of the Sons of Veterans?	What are the prospects for the future?	No. of Post.
yes	no			\$41 86	\$119 60	no	no	good	119
yes	yes	\$12 00	\$4 00	23 98	10 00	no	no	fair	122
yes	yes	35 30		40 00	360 00	no	no	good	124
yes	no				150 00	no	no	improving	128
yes	no		4 50	4 45	5 00	no	no	gloomy	129
yes	yes	60 82	264 90	210 93	800 00	yes	no	excellent	131
yes	no			12 27	25 00	yes	no	medium	134
yes	no				700 00	yes	no	fair	141
yes	no		50 00	7 25	560 00	yes	no	fair	142
yes	yes			14 75	500 50	yes	yes	good	143
yes	no				50 00	yes	no	gloomy	149
yes	yes	103 61	15 00	534 65	75 00	no	no	good	150
yes	no		15 00	1 60	50 00	no	yes	good	152
yes	no		3 00	25 49	75 00	yes	yes	good	158
yes	no			4 90		no	no	fair	160
yes	no			05	28	no	no	fair	161
yes	no		5 00	7 00	50 00	no	no	good	164
yes	no			8 67		no	no	fair	166
yes	no			11 30	700 00	no	no	good	171
yes	yes	16 65		22 95	75 00	yes	no	good	172
yes	no			382 71		no	yes	good	173
yes	no				10 00	no	no	fair	174
yes	no		25 00	14 21	20 00	yes	no	fair	175
yes	no			6 20		no	no	fair	177
yes	no	47 74	5 00	47 74	441 05	no	no	fair	178
yes	yes	11 73		235 76	65 00	no	yes	fair	179
yes	no		67 22	48 79	525 00	no	yes	good	180
yes	no		4 00			no	no	fair	181
yes	yes	2 95		12 12	15 00	no	no	not good	185
yes	no	None	None	10 00	10 00	yes	no	good	187
no	no	16 30	35		25 00	no	no	poor	189
yes	no	None	None	11 16	8 00	no	no	good	194
yes	no	None	None	61 29	20 00	no	no	fair	197
yes	no	None	30 00	None	None	no	no	good	200
yes	yes	33 69	6 00	74 88	34 00	no	no	fair	201
yes	no			20 77	70 00	no	no	fair	206
yes	no		43 55	29 77	30 00	yes	no	good	210
yes	no	None	6 16	None	30 00	no	no	good	213
yes	no	None	2 40	13 19	100 00	no	no	fair	214
yes	no	None	None	2 80	66 95	no	no	not good	215
yes	no	None	None	2 35	One Flag	no	no	good	217
yes	no	None	None	None	25 00	no	no	not good	219
yes	yes	1 05	5 00	17 55	28 00	no	no	good	220
yes	yes	20 60	4 40	135 35	37 05	no	no	good	221
yes	no	None	None	None	40 00	yes	no	good	222
yes	no	None	25 00	32 00	35 00	no	no	fair	223
yes	None	None	None	None	None	yes	no	poor	229
yes	None	None	None	27 41	150 00	yes	no	fair	232
yes	None	None	None	50 58	92 00	no	no	not good	233
yes	None	None	None	25 00	None	no	no	not good	234
yes	None	None	50	10	8 00	no	no	fair	235
yes	None	None	None	7 73	10 00	no	no	good	236
yes	None	None	None	None	50 00	no	no	fair	239
yes	None	None	20 45	499 50	20 00	no	no	not good	240
no	no	None	None	d'ntkn'w	3 00	yes	no	fair	243
yes	yes	2 95	3 51	14 30	None	yes	no	fair	247

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251	Col. Leonard.....	42	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
252	Mt. McGregor.....	36	yes	partly	partly	no	yes	yes	yes
257	John Boon.....	51	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
262	Johnson.....	.....	yes	no	no	yes	.....	yes	yes
263	Cuba.....	28	yes	partly	partly	yes	.....	yes	yes
269	Sergt. Plummer.....	23	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
271	Baker.....	15	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
273	Difani.....	65	yes	partly	no	yes	no	yes	yes
276	Henry Brown.....	102	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
278	John Kelsey.....	13	yes	partly	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
282	Wakefield Stanley.....	42	yes	no	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
287	Warren.....	25	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
289	Maj. A. Bartlett.....	13	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no
290	Fred. Hecker.....	29	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
293	Geo. Gamble.....	24	yes	no	partly	no	no	yes	yes
299	C. A. Arthur.....	53	yes	no	partly	no	no	yes	yes
301	Chas. Denny.....	34	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
303	Bob Ford.....	20	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
304	John A. Logan.....	42	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
312	Dan. McCook.....	23	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
314	John D. Rohye.....	21	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
320	Capt. Manwaring.....	38	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
324	Capt. J. M. Baird.....	30	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
326	Capt. J. Felix St. James.....	53	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
329	Gordon Granger.....	44	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
331	John P. McCluney.....	25	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
332	Jas. W. Owens.....	47	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
337	Jas. Ward.....	30	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
339	Houston.....	31	yes	yes	partly	yes	partly	yes	yes
340	Evans.....	22	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
343	Col. Shaw.....	70	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
345	Jesse Owens.....	30	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
348	H. C. Beckett.....	22	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
350	Capt. Jas. Johnson.....	18	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
358	B. L. Ferguson.....	37	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
360	Daniel Miles.....	20	yes	no	partly	yes	no	no	yes
362	Sac River.....	43	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
365	Appleton.....	21	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
371	Stella.....	21	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
374	Robt. P. Carnes.....	29	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
375	Harwood.....	30	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
384	Dawn.....	30	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
386	Albert Harrison.....	35	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
387	Marcelline.....	27	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
390	Jacob Yount.....	28	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
391	Pike.....	32	yes	partly	no	yes	no	yes	yes
392	Southwest City.....	17	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
405	Darbin A. Ward.....	17	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
406	Cornoral Duke.....	17	no	no	no	no	medl'm	yes	yes
407	Conway.....	27	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
408	Col. Kregel.....	22	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
409	John Shelton.....	13	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
412	Downing.....	19	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
416	The City.....	8	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
418	Clay Shaw.....	20	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
420	Fred. Roether.....	30	yes	no	partly	no	no	yes	yes

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yes	no	None	None	0 00	00 00	yes	no	good	251
yes	yes	10 00	25 00	31 95	12 00	no	no	good	252
yes	no	None	0 00	None	365 50	no	no	good	257
yes	no	12 00	1 00	None	None	no	no	poor	262
yes	no	None	None	3 16	40 00	no	no	poor	263
yes	no	None	None	3 18	None	no	no	poor	266
yes	no	None	None	1 50	10 00	no	no	poor	271
yes	no	53 95	None	None	75 00	no	no	poor	273
yes	no	None	None	3 25	20 00	no	no	fair	276
yes	no	None	None	4 61	8 00	no	no	good	278
yes	no	None	None	None	50 00	no	no	poor	282
yes	no	None	None	None	5 00	yes	no	good	287
yes	no	None	None	3 60	10 00	no	no	poor	290
yes	no	None	10 00	100 00	50 00	no	no	fair	290
yes	no	None	None	35 00	20 00	no	yes	poor	293
yes	no	None	None	15 79	11 00	no	no	good	299
yes	no	None	2 75	116 75	188 75	no	no	good	301
yes	no	None	None	17 50	5 00	no	no	good	303
yes	yes	12 36	34 45	117 32	50 00	yes	no	good	304
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	fair	312
yes	yes	None	None	None	None	no	no	medium	314
yes	yes	48 40	13 15	78 20	40 00	no	no	good	320
yes	no	None	None	45 00	None	no	no	fair	322
yes	yes	24 05	22 20	214 00	None	no	no	fair	325
yes	yes	16 29	None	12 30	42 75	yes	no	fair	329
yes	yes	None	None	None	None	no	no	poor	331
yes	yes	74 90	3 30	142 75	40 00	no	no	fair	332
yes	no	None	None	None	50 00	yes	no	good	337
yes	no	None	None	13 82	85 00	no	no	good	339
yes	no	None	None	17 30	20 00	no	no	poor	340
yes	yes	None	None	215 76	100 00	yes	yes	good	343
yes	yes	9 00	1 50	21 45	5 00	no	no	fair	345
yes	no	None	None	None	40 00	no	no	poor	348
yes	no	None	None	30 27	20 15	no	no	good	350
yes	no	None	None	1 55	20 00	no	no	fair	358
yes	no	None	5 00	None	15 00	no	no	good	360
yes	no	None	None	8 89	14 61	no	no	good	362
yes	no	None	10 00	6 00	6 00	no	yes	fair	365
yes	no	None	2 00	8 50	60 00	no	no	fair	371
yes	no	None	2 00	4 69	550 00	no	no	good	374
yes	no	None	2 00	8 00	25 00	yes	no	good	375
yes	no	None	None	2 20	35 00	no	no	poor	384
yes	no	None	None	2 60	30 00	no	no	fair	386
yes	no	None	20 00	25 00	10 00	yes	no	not good	387
yes	no	None	3 00	4 82	50 00	no	no	fair	390
yes	no	None	None	1 75	50 00	no	no	poor	391
no	yes	6 00	4 50	9 00	10 00	no	no	good	392
yes	yes	25 00	5 00	32 18	137 18	no	no	good	405
yes	no	None	None	6 97	10 00	no	no	good	406
yes	no	None	2 00	8 50	5 00	no	no	good	408
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	fair	409
yes	no	None	50	9 10	15 00	no	no	good	412
yes	no	None	None	2 01	5 00	no	no	good	416
yes	no	None	5 00	2 30	12 00	yes	yes	good	418
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	not good	420

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424	A. J. Webber.....	21	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
425	Lieut. Wm. Hawkins..	35	partly	partly	partly	no	no	yes	yes
428	Thos. Gordon.....	28	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
430	Holt.....	20	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes
431	Joseph S. Wray.....	4							
433	David D. Porter.....	23	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
435	Thos. Shelton.....	23	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
437	Lieut. Simon Cameron	16	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
440	Gen. Hazen.....	13	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
444	Madlison Miller.....	38	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
447	Capt. Bauer.....	18	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
457	Warren T. Stewart....	19	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
458	Col. J. P. Brownlow..	12	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
461	Capt. J. S. Robb.....	11	yes	partly	partly	no	no	yes	yes
462	Lt. Ephriam Galther..	29	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	yes
465	Louis Duemler.....	26	yes	partly	partly	yes	no	yes	yes
466	Vandalla.....	33	yes	partly	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
468	Maj. Leonard.....	25	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
472	Callaway.....	12	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
478	New Union.....	23	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
488	L. Stevenson.....	14	yes	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
489	Maj. Ennis.....	17	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
492	Eagle.....	32	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes
496	Col. Meumann.....	103	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
506	John Tietjen.....	37	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
507	Maj. Worthington....	21	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
510	Whitesville.....	20	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no
514	Jesse Turnage.....	23	yes	no	no	no	yes	no	yes
515	Liberal.....	42	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
516	I. H. Crenshaw.....	39	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
525	Geo. W. Murphy.....	40	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
537	Tecumseh.....	26	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
540	J. H. Werrich.....	18	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
542	W. H. Harrison.....	17	yes	partly	partly	no	no	yes	yes
544	J. M. Rusk.....	14	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
545	Ridgeway.....	15	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
546	T. W. Hampton.....	10	yes	no	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes
548	W. A. Mills.....	19	yes	no	no	partly	no	yes	yes
550	Sellman.....	14	no	no	no	yes	partly	yes	yes
551	Blythedale.....	38	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
557	L. B. Hutchinson....	12	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes
561	A. C. Marlon.....	21	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
563	Blue Springs.....	27	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes
567	Jas. F. How.....	14	yes	partly	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
213		9276	193	109	109	176	134	206	209

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yes	no	None	\$5 00	\$10 60	\$ 32 75	no	no	fair	424
yes	no	None	None	1 75	300 00	no	no	fair	425
yes	no	None	3 75	15 00	50 00	no	no	fair	428
yes	yes	None	10 00	None	None	no	no	poor	430
yes	no	None	11 75	None	10 65	yes	no	fair	431
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	poor	435
yes	no	None	None	None	10 00	no	no	fair	437
yes	no	None	None	None	10 00	no	no	good	440
yes	no	None	None	9 95	325 03	yes	yes	good	444
yes	no	None	None	18 26	39 00	no	no	good	447
yes	no	None	5 00	None	7 00	no	no	poor	457
yes	no	None	None	7 87	30 00	no	yes	good	458
yes	no	None	None	36	10 00	no	no	poor	461
yes	no	\$15 20	19 80	17 27	None	yes	no	poor	462
yes	yes	None	1 00	6 35	25 00	no	no	fair	465
yes	no	None	None	32 57	25 00	no	no	good	466
yes	no	None	None	11 85	60 00	no	no	fair	468
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	poor	472
yes	no	None	None	13 33	15 00	no	no	fair	478
yes	yes	16 50	8 57	33 00	17 00	no	no	good	488
yes	no	None	8 00	2 50	None	no	no	poor	489
yes	no	None	None	12 72	None	yes	no	poor	492
yes	no	None	1 00	475 68	275 00	yes	no	fair	496
yes	yes	4 80	3 80	7 35	14 00	yes	no	good	506
yes	no	None	None	None	38 50	no	no	poor	507
yes	no	None	None	1 01	None	no	no	poor	510
yes	no	None	None	None	50 00	no	no	poor	514
yes	yes	10 50	4 15	8 90	74 00	yes	no	good	515
yes	no	None	None	52	70 00	yes	no	fair	516
yes	no	None	1 00	28 18	30 00	no	no	good	525
yes	no	None	None	None	6 91	no	no	fair	537
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	yes	fair	540
yes	no	None	50	3 75	10 00	no	yes	poor	542
yes	yes	50 27	24 96	86 06	41 00	yes	no	good	544
yes	no	None	1 50	3 00	25 00	no	no	poor	545
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	good	546
yes	no	None	1 00	21	6 00	no	no	poor	548
yes	no	None	None	None	None	no	no	fair	550
yes	no	None	2 00	18 19	170 00	no	no	good	551
yes	no	None	3 20	6 75	10 00	no	no	poor	557
yes	no	None	None	.....	.....	no	no	fair	561
yes	no	None	None	63 50	5 95	no	no	good	563
yes	no	None	None	None	None	yes	no	fair	567
208	47	\$10,808 03	\$2,316 47	\$11,416 23	\$25,950 99	69	21		213

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R. }
 OFFICE DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN. }
 TINA, MO., April 10, 1899. }

A. G. PETERSON, ESQ., Commander Department Missouri.

Comrade:—I herewith submit my report as Department Chaplain. I appreciate the honor conferred by you, Comrades, in electing me Chaplain of this Department. I owe the Grand Army a debt which words cannot express and service can never repay. During the year I have endeavored to secure a report from all the Posts in the Department. Am very sorry so many of the Chaplains have failed to report to these headquarters. The people of this great commonwealth have a right to know what the Posts are doing with the graves of our departed heroes, who gave their lives that this government, "of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth." Memorial Day is becoming more popular in this Department as the years come and go. It has always been a beautiful custom to decorate the graves of departed heroes. It is meet that it should be so; for a nation's best inheritance is the heroism of its fathers and its sons. In honoring our dead we increase our devotion to the living. On the 30th of May thousands of men, women and children enter the City of the Dead, and, with loving hearts and willing hands, strew the choicest of flowers on the graves of departed Comrades.

I herewith submit a detailed report as follows:

MEMORIAL SABBATH SERVICES.

Number of Posts attending services.....	160
Number of sermons preached by veterans.....	60
Number of sermons preached by Sons of Veterans	30
Number of sermons or addresses by others	70
Number of Comrades present at such services	3,708
Number of Corps of W. R. C. participating with Posts	50
Number of members of W. R. C. attending such services.....	820
Number of Camps of Sons of Veterans attending such services....	26
Number of Sons of Veterans attending such services.....	288

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES.

Number of Posts observing Memorial Day services	200
Number of Comrades in line Memorial Day services	10,745
Number of Corps W. R. C. participating in such services	60
Number of members W. R. C. participating in such services.....	1,121
Number of Camps of Sons of Veterans participating in services	26
Number of Sons of Veterans attending Memorial Day services....	288
Number of cemeteries in which graves were decorated	342
Number of soldiers' graves decorated	23,426
Number of soldiers' graves unmarked by proper headstones.....	15,476
Number of Posts owning lots in cemeteries.....	28
Number of soldiers buried in potters' field.....	70
Number of public schools engaged in Memorial Day services ...	70
Number of pupils participating in such services.....	7,000
Number of persons in attendance on Memorial Day.....	110,000

My Comrades:—Death is thinning our ranks. Some who met with us last year have crossed the line of worlds, “and pitched their tents on the other side.” May we so live the remainder of our days that the Captain and General of our Salvation will say to each of us when we walk through the valley and shadow of death, “Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.”

Yours in F., C. and L.,

T. J. FERRIL,

Department Chaplain.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

OFFICE OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR, }
 SEDALIA, MO., April 5, 1899. }

To the Officers and Members of the Department of Missouri G. A. R.:

Dear Comrades—Your Medical Director has the honor to present the following report:

No. of reports received from Post Surgeons, Commanders or Adjutants	167
No. of deaths during term.....	119
No. who presumably died of wounds received in the service.....	
No. of those who presumably died of disease contracted in the service.....	
No. of those who presumably died from other causes	
No. of ex-soldiers, sailors or marines treated free of charge.....	65
The reasonable money value of such service	\$298 00
No. of patients treated free of charge, who were members of the families of ex-soldiers, sailors or marines	60
The reasonable money value of such service	250 00
Money value of medicines and surgical appliances furnished by physicians, Posts or Relief Corps, or by other organizations or Comrades.....	400 00
Total money value of above-mentioned service and supplies	948 00
No. of deserving sick or maimed not receiving pensions.....	128

The following are names and locations of the State or National Soldiers' and Sailors' Homes for the care of ex-Union soldiers and sailors in this Department, including those for the orphan children of deceased soldiers and sailors: State Federal Soldiers' Home at St. James, Mo.

Number of inmates in Home, 73 last report.

The above Home is supported by appropriations of State and voluntary subscriptions.

Number of ex-soldiers or sailors in alms houses, 5.

Owing to the paucity of details, and the neglect of a great number of Posts in sending any report, it is impossible to give a full statement of the condition of the medical status in the Department.

The whole number of Post Surgeons reporting is 167; of these, 63 report deaths numbering 134, 104 reporting no deaths. Thirty-nine

Posts report having upon their rolls 128 Comrades not receiving pensions who are entitled to that aid on account of service and disabilities.

Eighteen Posts report having given free medical treatment to 65 indigent Comrades—value of such services, \$296.00. Fourteen Posts report having rendered free aid, in medical supplies and surgical appliances, to 65 members of indigent members' families, widows and orphans, to the value of \$400.00. And I regret to be compelled to say further that four Posts report that five of our Comrades are in the *Poor House*. (This should not be, so as long as a dollar remains in our treasuries.)

This report is necessarily meagre, which will obtain with all subsequent reports from the Medical Director's Department so long as Posts are allowed to be remiss in regard to sending full, detailed statements relative to the questions asked in Post Surgeons' blanks. You will note that hardly one-half of the Posts have sent in any report during the year; consequently not half of the Department can be represented by the Medical Director. Through this neglect of Post Surgeons a most valuable service is lost to many Comrades who are entitled to aid, morally and substantially, from the Department in their efforts to secure the just rewards due them.

And, again, the vital statistics, an important element to the records of the Department and the Grand Army at large, is practically lost. It is hoped that some legislation will be enacted at this Encampment that will in future secure full reports from every Post-Surgeon in the Department. In connection with this, your attention is called to the report of the Surgeon General for 1898.

Thanking you, my Comrades, for the many courtesies extended me during the past year, I am

Yours most sincerely, in F. C. & L.,

IRA T. BRONSON, M.D.,

Medical Director.

DEATH ROLL, DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, G. A. R., 1898.

No. Post.	D'ths	NAME.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
1	22	Fred Roepke	Surgeon		4th U. S. R. C.	
		A. Frankenthal	9d Lieut.	I	82d Pa. Inf't	
		Louis Biehle	sergeant	B	58th N. Y. Inf't	
		John Escott	Private	E	87th Ill. Inf't	
		C. W. Rosenthal	9d Lieut.	C	57th Ill. Inf't	
		Geo. Dewey	Private	A	149th Pa. Inf't	
		Wm. Newman	Private	B	41st Mo. Inf't	
		John Baier	Private	A	4th Mo. Cavl.	
		Henry Fladd	Colonel		1st Reg. Mo. Eng.	
		C. F. Weibel	Private	K	137th O. Inf't	
		T. L. Carnahan	Captain	I	13th O. Inf't	
		N. C. Meyer	Private	B	1st Mo. Inf't	
			Sergeant	M	1st Mo. Lt. Art.	
		S. M. Murray	Sergeant	G	4th Cal. Inf't	
		Nicholas Wilbert	Private	C	1st. Mo. Cavl.	
		Ferd. Rachel	Private	E-J	4th Mo. Cavl.	
		Wm. Hirt	9d Lieut.	C	3d U. S. R. C.	
			Captain	D	4th Mo. Cavl.	
		H. Schlottman	Private	E	4th U. S. R. C.	
			Private	D	4th Mo. Inf't	
		D. Mount	Musician	K	35th N. J. Inf't	
		B. F. Allen	Private	K	24th Ind. Inf't	
			Private	I	67th Ind. Inf't	
		Ferd. Rendelman	Musician		1st Neb. Cavl.	
		J. B. Monken	Private	E	4th U. S. R. C.	
		W. H. Scott	Private	F	88th Pa. Inf't	
4	1	Jas. Murray	Corporal	I	3d N. J. Inf't	Phthisis Pulmonitus.
5	1	J. W. Sweeney	Private	A	5th N. Y. Inf't	
		J. P. Mann	Private	D	2d Wis. Cavl.	
		R. Ashby	Private	G	49th Mo. Inf't	
		Solomon Robinson	Private			
		Thos. Kelly	Private	D	39th Mo. Inf't	
8	1	Francis W. Marsh	Private	D	2d Bat. Cavl. M. S. M.	
11	1	Wm. R. Thomas	Private	L	9th M. S. M.	
13	16	John Litschke	Private	D	9th Ill. Inf't	
		Henry Luft	Private	L	1st U. S. R. C.	
		Henry Springer	Private	A	M. S. M.	
		John G. Wolt	Sergeant	K	4th Mo. Inf't	
		Fred Wegner	Private	K	1st U. S. R. C.	
		Jos. A. Beck	Sergeant	G	41st Mo. Inf't	
		A. Schauenberg	Private	A	2d Mo. Inf't	
		Louis Will	Corporal	H	5th Mo. R. C.	
		H. J. Camman	Private	E	3d U. S. R. C.	
		Gy. Besse	Private	B	4th Mo. Inf't	
		G. Schumacher	Private	A	3d Mo. Inf't	
		Hy. Diehl	Private	A	2d U. S. R. C.	
		Lambert Hovelman	Private	H	2d Mo. Art.	
		I. Selfert	Private	F	4th Mo. Inf't	
		Ph. Koehler	Private	H	149th Ill. Inf't	
		Martin Stoher	Private	B	3d U. S. R. C.	
16	1	John Holt	Private	A	73d Ind. Inf't	
17	1	W. W. Bowen	Captain	F	68th O. Inf't	
22	2	Theodore Linn	Private	B	68th U. S. Col. Inf't.	
		John D. Markey	Private		Capt. Storey's H.G.	
26	4	Jacob Shatt	Private	L	28th Pa. Inf't	
		Martin Laudin	Private	E	17th Ill. Inf't	
		Bennett S. Thropp	Private	H	130th Ill. Inf't	
		Wm. White	Private	F	18th Ill. Inf't	
36	1	J. J. Crawford	Private	H	11th Mo. S. M. Cavl.	
42	2	Shad Fray	Private	H	18th U. S. Inf't	Bright's Disease.
43	3	W. L. Kelley	Private	G	8th Ill. Inf't	
		Wm. H. Berry	Private		Record lost	
		J. M. Humphry	Private	A	12th N. J. Inf't	
53	1	J. M. Huffman	Private	A	98th O. Inf't	
54	1	R. E. Chandler	Sergeant	I	36th Iowa Inf't	

DEATH ROLL—Continued.

No.	Post	Dths	NAME.	RANK.	Co	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
57	1		Henry Jenkins	1st Lieut		Not given	
57	1		W T Shore	Private	F	112th Ill. Inf.	
58			John W. Black	Private	F	43d O. Inf.	Dropsy
59			Lewis David	Private	G	94th Wis. Inf.	
76			E M Fox	Private	I	115th O. Inf.	Heart failure.
88			G. A. Daugherty	Private	I	155th Ill. Inf.	
92			John W. Woods	Private	B	30th Iowa Inf.	Paralysis.
95			No report				
106			No report				
107	9		Chas Wedig	Corporal	H	19th Pa. Cav.	Rheumatism.
107			Theodore Neasing	Private	A	10th Mo. Cav.	Killed—R.R. accident.
108	2		Wm Lemke	Not given.			
			Henderson Marple	Private	I	43d E. M. M.	Heart failure.
115	1		David Smith	Sergeant	D	46th Iowa Inf.	
121	13		E A. Becker	Sergt. Maj.		10th E. M. M.	
			A. Mansur	1st Lieut	H	19th Ill. Inf.	
			W H S. Hull	Sergeant	B	128 N. Y. Inf.	
			J. N. Coudry	1st Lieut		Merrill's Horse	
			J. C. McDonald	Captain	B	5th O. Inf.	
			S W Elliott	1st Lt. & Ajt		59d Ind. Inf.	
			H V Morris	1st Lieut.	G	8th Vet. R. C.	
			J W Graham	Private	B	52d Ill. Inf.	
			C J Helmer	Private	G	3d O. Inf.	
			C B. McLellan	Lieut. Col.	Ret'd	6th U. S. Cav.	
			C W. Hequembourg	Sergeant		U. S. Signal Service	
			H. G. Metcalf	Private	F	13th Mass. Inf.	
			W H Lawson	Private	E	105th Pa. Inf.	
125	1		G. B. Kingrey	Private	G	10th Mo. Cav.	
150	1		W. T. Chipps	Private	C	23d Mo. Inf.	
154	1		Amos Moore	Private	B	2d Prov. E. M. M.	General debility.
172	1		S. F. George	Private	B	134th O. Inf.	
173	1		John Brunkhorst	Artif	I	1st Mo. Engr.	Consumption.
173	2		Joshua Downing	Private	A	72d Ill. Inf.	
			John F. Crane	Corporal	G	67th Ind. Inf.	
180	1		Charles Hopkins	Private	H	27th Ky. Inf.	Suicide.
194	1		Not given.				
197	1		Fritz Ordeheide	Musician	F	8th Ind. Inf.	
210	2		B. F. Swift	Private	B	94th Mo. Inf.	
			C. Scargo	Private	D	13th Tenn. Cav.	
215	1		W R Davis	Private	E	75th Ind. Inf.	
216	2		Ralph Woodward	Private	E	3d M. S. M.	
			John Kinlan	Private	E	3d M. S. M.	
221	1		Wm E. Howeston	Private	D	50th Ill. Inf.	Lock-jaw.
222	1		Jos. McSapp	Private	D	44th Ill. Inf.	Bright's disease.
223	1		Not reported				
234	2		E. T. Huffington	1st Corp	G	14th M. S. M.	
			Jas Callison	Private	H	74th E. M. M.	
240	4		Andrew Henderson	Sergeant	C	5th Iowa Inf.	
			Thos. L. George	Captain	I	52d E. M. M.	
			Benj. Beha	Sergeant	L	3d Mo. Inf.	
			John Cochran	Sergeant	B	5th Mo. S. M.	
261	1		Peter L. Brown	Private	M	6th Mo. S. M. Cav.	
269	1		J. J. Bruton	Private	M	4th Mo. S. M.	
276	1		W J. Atkinson	Not given.			Stomach trouble.
290	2		A J. Litsinger	Private	F	5th Tenn. Inf.	Heart failure.
312	1		Robert Sheppard	Private	A	10th Mo. Inf.	
314	2		Frank Ahring	Private	H	5th W. R. C.	
			Aug Zimmermann	Private	G	80th E. M. M.	
326	3		Leon Boy	Lieut	K	47th Mo. Inf.	
			Jacob Martin	Private	B	6th N. Y. Cav.	
			Theo. Hurst	Private	A	21st Mo. Inf.	
343	4		Randall Bibbs	Not given.			
			I. Dezan	Not given.			
			Henry Cardan	Not given.			
			Jacob Burnet	Not given.			

DEATH ROLL—Continued.

No. Post.	Dths	NAME.	RANK.	Co.	REGIMENT.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
374	1	Philip Hill	1st Sergt. ...	H	6th M. S. M.	
375	2	Oliver J. Gee	Corporal. ...	M	2d Ill. Cavl.	Cancer.
387	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
398	1	Chas. Michel	Private	B	— M. S. M.	Rheumatism.
408	1	Hermann Evers	Corporal. ...	B	Kreckel's Batl. ...	Senility.
440	1	Peter Moore	Private	A	76th Mo. Inf't.	
496	1	William Badall	Private	B	27th Ill. Inf't.	
525	1	S. F. Gallaher	Private	D	170th O. Inf't.	Heart failure.
554	4	Conrad Gray	Private	D	1st M. S. M.	
		H. E. Machens	Q. M.	A	Kreckel's Batl.	
		John Schroder	Private	G	49th Mo. Inf't.	
		Chas. Bruer	Corporal. ...	B	Kreckel's Batl.	

Chaplain Hagerty, Post 131, in a few facetious remarks, presented Department Commander Peterson with a beautiful gold-headed cane.

Department Commander Peterson received the cane and made an appropriate response to the remarks of the Chaplain.

Comrade Leo Rassieur: Commander, I desire to move now that the Senior Vice Department Commander appoint a committee composed of the usual number, to whom shall be referred the address of the Department Commander; and the Department Commander shall appoint committees of the usual number on the other reports that have been offered to this Encampment, and shall appoint a committee of five on resolutions, to whom shall be referred all resolutions offered at this Encampment, without debate.

The motion was adopted.

Chaplain Hagerty: Department Commander, I move you, sir, that a special committee of five be appointed to consider our relationship to the terrible calamity that has fallen upon this city, and to see what measures can be instituted by us to aid the inhabitants of this town while we are here, if any.

The motion was carried, and the following committee was appointed:

Comrades T. H. Hagerty, Post 131; Chas. F. Vogel, Post 1; and W. T. Munson, Post 130.

Senior Vice Commander Henry announced the following as a committee on the Department Commander's address:

Past Department Commanders C. G. Burton, Geo. W. Martin and C. W. Whitehead.

The Department Commander resumed the Chair and announced the following committees:

COMMITTEES ON OFFICERS' REPORTS.

On Senior Vice Department Commander's report:

Geo. E. Smith, Post 131; J. S. Rogers, Post 17; A. H. Burkholder, Post 72.

On Junior Vice Department Commander's report:

Past Department Commander Louis Grund; J. W. Eldridge, Post 210; Arnold Beck, Post 1.

On Assistant Adjutant General's report:

Past Department Commander Leo Rassieur; W. H. Skinner, Post 124; R. D. Cramer, Post 179.

On Department Inspector's report:

W. B. Challacombe, Post 53; A. McKinney, Post 187; O. P. Smith, Post 8.

On Chaplain's report:

T. H. Hagerty, Post 131; W. D. Sigler, Post 22; Geo. Hall, Post 72.

On Medical Director's report:

J. W. Trader, Post 53; Jos. McAdoo, Post 69; J. L. Briggs, Post 14.

On Chief Mustering Officer's report:

W. R. Sanford, Post 185; J. W. Scott, Post 5; M. G. Netherton, Post 222.

On Judge Advocate's report:

Past Department Commander Louis Benecke; C. N. Clark, Post 4; C. A. Mosman, Post 7.

On resolutions:

Past Department Commanders C. G. Burton, Geo. W. Martin, Louis Benecke, C. W. Whitehead, Louis Grund.

On motion the Encampment adjourned until 2 o'clock P. M.

FIRST DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Encampment reconvened at 2 o'clock P. M.

The Department Commander called upon the Kansas City Quartette, who appeared and sang "The Banner of Beauty."

The Department Commander then called for the reports of Committees.

The Committee on report of the Department Inspector made the following report, which was, on motion, adopted:

KIRKSVILLE, Mo., May 10, 1899.

To A. G. PETERSON, Dept. Commander, Dept. Mo., G. A. R.:

We, your Committee on report of Department Inspector of this Department respectfully report that we have examined and approve the same.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. B. CHALLACOMBE,

O. P. SMITH,

A. MCKINNEY.

Committee.

On behalf of the special committee on expression of sympathy for the unfortunate Comrades and citizens of Kirksville, Comrade Hagerty made the following report:

COMMANDER PETERSON and Comrades of the Encampment:

Your committee, to whom was referred the expression of sympathy for the unfortunate Comrades and citizens of Kirksville who were smitten by the awful providential calamity of the 21st inst., desire to report that words are too feeble to properly portray the terrible nature of the affliction that befell this city in the loss of property, limb and life. We desire to express our admiration of the courage and patriotism of our Comrades and citizens who wired to the Commander after the storm: "Kirksville stands by her guns, cast down, but not dismayed. Come on, we will entertain you."

Resolved, That we will take a collection now for the purpose of aiding them financially, and hope that it can be made equal to at least one dollar per capita.

Resolved, That such Comrades who cannot give that amount here and now will forward that amount at least when they return home, to be added to the Encampment fund.

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the kind sympathy shown by Col. Hassendeubel Post, of St. Louis, that have already sent their check for \$25, and hope that other Posts throughout the Department may do likewise.

T. H. HAGERTY,

T. J. FERRIL,

W. T. MUNSON,

CHAS. F. VOGEL,

WM. HAHN.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted and a committee was appointed for the purpose of taking up a donation for the relief of the Comrades and citizens of Kirksville, which committee proceeded to discharge its duties by collecting the amount of \$182.53.

The Committee on the Report of the Junior Vice Department Commander reported as follows:

KIRKSVILLE, May 11, 1899.

A. G. PETERSON, Department Commander:

Your Committee on the report of the Junior Vice Department Commander recommend that the report be adopted.

Respectfully, LOUIS GRUND.

Chairman.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on the Senior Vice Department Commander's Report reported as follows:

KIRKSVILLE, MO., May 11, 1899.

Department Commander:

Your committee appointed to consider the report of Senior Vice Commander Henry respectfully report that we have carefully considered the same, and find that he has been a very active, zealous and efficient officer, manifesting great interest in the welfare of the Grand Army, and that he is entitled to the thanks of this Department for services rendered.

GEO. E. SMITH,

J. S. ROGERS,

A. H. BURKHOLDER.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Report of the Medical Director reported as follows:

KIRKSVILLE, MO., May 11, 1899.

Commander:

Your committee, to whom was referred the report of the Medical Director, beg leave to say that, in our opinion, the Medical Director has formulated the best report that it was possible to be made from the data furnished. We will take this occasion to say that some legislation should be enacted to bring out a more correct showing in regard to the vital statistics of the order. At present it appears that this branch of the service is very much neglected or, in other words, almost entirely overlooked. We would recommend that the Commanders be requested to see to it that the various reports from their respective Posts be properly filled out and forwarded to the Medical Director promptly, as required by the rules and regulations of the Department.

JNO. W. TRADER, *Chairman,*

J. McADOO,

J. L. BRIGGS.

The report was adopted.

On motion of Comrade A. H. Burkholder, Post 72, a committee of three was appointed to draft resolutions in memory of our late Commander-in-Chief, James A. Sexton.

The Department Commander announced the following as members of the committee:

Comrades A. H. Burkholder, John M. Williams and H. R. Parsons.

The Committee on Report of the Chief Mustering Officer reported as follows:

KIRKSVILLE, Mo., May 11, 1899.

A. G. PETERSON, Department Commander:

Comrade—We, the committee appointed on the report of Chief Mustering Officer, beg leave to report that we have carefully examined said report, and find it complete and the duties well performed.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

J. W. SCOTT,

M. G. NETHERTON,

Committee.

The report was adopted.

It being announced that a delegation from the Ladies of the G. A. R. were in waiting, the Department Commander appointed Past Department Commander Thomas B. Rodgers and Comrades J. W. Eldridge and E. W. Green a committee to receive and escort them to the platform, which was done amid applause. Mrs. Mary M. Stark, Mrs. Mary J. Harding and Mrs. Hayes were introduced to the Encampment by Comrade Rodgers.

Mrs. Stark and Mrs. Harding addressed the Encampment briefly and brought the greetings of their organization, and in patriotic and eloquent language set forth their objects and aims.

By request of the Department Commander, Chaplain Ferril responded suitably on behalf of the Encampment.

The ladies were then escorted from the hall and the regular order of business was resumed.

The Committee on Loans reported as follows:

To the Eighteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Mo., G. A. R.:

At our last Encampment, at Carthage, Mo., on the 19th and 20th days of May, 1898, a full report of loans was made, showing all loans settled except the Mesner loan, which had been reduced to \$1000, and said loan extended two years, at 8 per cent. interest per annum.

Since last Encampment the interest which fell due on April 7, 1898, has been collected and forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General, and he has acknowledged the receipt of same. Should the Department need the money, your committee will say the Mesner loan can now be realized on at any time. Respectfully submitted,

C. L. WHITEHEAD, *Chairman.*

J. L. BRIGGS,

NELSON COLE.

The report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on School Text-Books was then read by the Assistant Adjutant General, as follows:

A. G. PETERSON, Commander Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

Comrade—At the last Annual Encampment a memorial was presented by Harrison A. Gleim Post No. 512, regarding the use in the public schools of this State of "Shinn's History," the use of which book was severely condemned by said Post. This memorial was duly referred to the Committee on Resolutions, which reported "that in view of the importance of the subject-matter contained in the memorial," that it be referred to a special committee, to report at the next Annual Encampment. The report having been adopted, the appointment of the undersigned committee resulted.

In presenting this report, we regret to state that we have been unable to meet together for consultation, and have been compelled to confer by correspondence.

The importance of this matter cannot be overestimated. All educators agree that impressions received in the school room on the youthful mind are the most lasting and the most difficult to efface. It is, therefore, necessary, and even essential, that all matter purporting to be history taught to our children should be what it purports to be, "a truthful narrative of past events;" and we, as members of the Grand Army of the Republic, are particularly solicitous that that portion of the history of our State and Nation relating to the war of 1861-5, in which we participated, together with its causes and consequences, should be a truthful account of that momentous period. The Grand Army has never desired that the historian, in dealing with that portion of our history, should unduly glorify or enlarge upon the actions, exploits or victories of the Union Army, nor that the courage, daring, or the honesty even, of the Confederates should be called in question. What we do desire and demand is, that all statements made in our school histories relating to the war shall be truthful, and that the same shall not be colored to suit the *private opinions* or *prejudices* of the writer. The Grand Army is not willing that their children be taught in public school, or elsewhere, *even by inference*, that the cause of the Union, for which we fought, and which cause we believed then and believe now, with an intensity that cannot be uttered, *was not right*.

With these main ideas in view, your committee has endeavored to investigate the merits of that portion of the book relating to the war, so strongly condemned by the Comrades of Gleim Post in their Memorial.

In the closing hours of the Missouri Legislature in 1897, a law was enacted creating a "School Book Commission," which should select the books to be used in the public schools of Missouri (outside certain cities) "until otherwise provided by law." Of the manner in which this law was enacted, or of the *personnel* of the commission appointed under it, it is not necessary to speak. This commission adopted as text-books "Shinn's History of the American People," and also a "History of Missouri," by Perry S. Rader of Brunswick, Mo. We found it necessary, in order to comply with the instructions of the Encampment, to examine both of these books.

In an examination of "Shinn's History," beginning with Pierce's administration, page 312, to the close of General Grant's first term, page 389, your committee believe that no candid reader can come to any conclusion other than that the entire sympathy of the author was constantly with the South, and we consider the charge of unfairness and *partisanship* made against this portion of the book fully sustained. According to this history the war was wrong, because forced upon the *unwilling South by abolitionists*, who sought to take away the property of the South without cause; the Northern States violated the compromise measures of 1850 by passing Personal Liberty Bills, and revolutionary efforts were attempted by setting aside two departments of the Federal Government—Congress and the Supreme Court (pp. 312-313). *Secession by the Confederate States* is fully approved, as "they believed their rights under the Constitution were in peril" (p. 320). The failure to compromise was entirely the *fault of the North*. The action of Major Anderson in abandoning Fort Moultrie, which was weak and defenseless, and his occupancy of Fort Sumpter, "was looked upon by Southerners as a *breach of faith*," which view was evidently shared by the author. Without going into details, it is sufficient to say that nearly all the victories were won by Southern armies, under the "transcendent" skill of Southern generals, while in no battle were the Confederates defeated. At Gettysburg (p. 353) Lee was "forced to yield;" while at Nashville, Hood, after "again and again repulsing the Federals with great loss," was simply "compelled to yield," like Lee (p. 366). On page 367, the reader is told, "Grant then said that he would go round Lee, and moved off towards Spottsylvania court house, where, on the 12th, in the morning twilight, Hancock captured most of Johnson's Division. Here General Lee put himself at the head of a column to lead it to victory, but was forced back by the men, who cried, "General Lee, to the rear: we'll not fight till Uncle Robert goes to the rear." Lee went to the rear, when the men, with an uncontrollable frenzy, gave vent to the loudest yells and retook the lost ground."

This is intended as an account of the fierce struggle at the "Bloody Angle." Now, it is *not true* that the works captured by Hancock in the morning were retaken by the Confederates. A desperate effort was made, but it was not successful. For proof of this statement, see Official Records of the War Book 67. Report of Gen. Hancock, p. 358, also, Gen. L. A. Grant, p. 702, and also of Gen. R. S. Ewell (Con.), p. 1072-3.

These reports prove beyond question that the statement regarding the recapture of the works is untrue. As to whether or not the graphic account of Gen. Lee's being turned back by his soldiers, and their refusal to fight unless he did go back, is true or not, we have no means of knowing. No such incident is mentioned in the *Confederate reports*; but as the reports on both sides state that the morning was so dark and obscured by fog that it was almost impossible to distinguish friend from foe, we incline to the belief that the author was imposed upon, and that no such incident occurred. Another like incident, mentioned in a note on page 345, purporting to be a meeting between Gen. Lee and his son, in which the great man failed to recognize his offspring, has been repeatedly published in Southern journals; no two, however, agree as to the battlefield on which it occurred; this one locates it at Fredericksburg, which was a defensive battle on the part of the Confederates, and in which Gen. Lee did not "put in" his troops at all. We admit that the place is not material, and that the author's purpose was to show the Spartan bearing of this "transcendent" officer, who could forget the name and place even of his own child in the hour of battle.

We do not think it necessary to further criticize this book; its author's *bias* and *prejudice* appear very frequently; facts are misstated and *distorted* and throughout there appears an *unfair discrimination* in favor of the *South*.

As to Rader's History of Missouri, we will speak but briefly:

This book is worse than Shinn's, being more personal, and showing the narrowness and bias of the author more plainly.

Beginning with Chapter 10, he excuses the attempt at secession, because the Northern States were guilty of nullifying the Fugitive Slave Law, and, therefore, the people of the South thought they had a right to peaceably withdraw from the Union. Regarding the calling of the Constitutional Convention by the Jackson Legislature in 1861, the author gives it as his opinion, by inference at least, that because the object of calling the Convention was to take the State out of the Union, that its power was therefore limited to that one object, and that its subsequent work in managing the affairs was clearly beyond its power, and, consequently, revolutionary and tyrannical. The author does claim, however, that the members of this Convention were the ablest men in the State, doubtless because of the fact, as stated, that 53 out of the 99 members elected were natives of either Virginia or Kentucky, while only 13 were from "the North." The author is wholly

unable to give any reason why this body, of such distinguished nativity, which refused to secede, did not put an end to its own existence by an immediate adjournment. In Chapter 13, devoted to the Arsenal and Camp Jackson, the author is frank enough to admit that Gen. Frost, who commanded Camp Jackson, was under instructions from Gov. Jackson "to keep himself fully informed of all movements, and if he deemed it necessary, to seize the arsenal," in which were stored 40,000 stand of Government arms; that Gen. Frost had a friendly understanding with Major Bell, commander of the arsenal, that it would be surrendered whenever called upon; that Gen. Harney was deceived by Gen. Frost and the State officers as to their intentions. He fails to see anything wrong or treasonable in these intentions and acts of Gen. Frost or Gov. Jackson, and all would have gone well had it not been for the arrival upon the scene of Captain Nathaniel Lyon. The description given of Captain Lyon is not likely to attract the student, either towards his person or his actions. He was born in Connecticut; under medium height, slender and angular; abundant hair, of a sandy color; a coarse, reddish brown beard; features rough and homely. The attack upon and capture of Camp Jackson was, the author says (p 302), "a blunder." The author assures the children that one effect of this "blunder" was to enrage the Legislature, which immediately appropriated \$2,000,000 to arm and equip the militia, and so outraged was it that it would immediately have passed a secession ordinance if it had not already called a convention for that purpose, although he fails to state what power it had to pass such an ordinance.

No fact is better known to this Encampment than that the prompt, energetic action of Lyon, Blair and their compatriots on May 10, 1861, saved Missouri, and was of incalculable service to the cause of the Union. Sometime in 1898, Col. James O. Broadhead, whose reputation and standing cannot be questioned, in a communication to the *St. Louis Globe-Democrat*, reviewed this entire matter, and showed conclusively that a deep-laid conspiracy had been arranged by Jackson, Frost and others to seize these arms and other Government property, and drive Missouri into the Confederacy, and that the prompt action of Lyon overthrew this conspiracy and saved the State. But your Committee has neither time nor inclination to review this so-called "History" and point out its misstatements, *inconsistencies* and *partisanship*. Your committee is of the opinion that the memorial and protest of the Comrades of H. A. Gleim Post against the compulsory use of these text-books by our children is well founded, and the matter should receive the prompt attention of the Grand Army throughout the State and Nation.

Your committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1st. The Encampment of Missouri, G. A. R., protests against the use of Shinn's History of the American People and Rader's History of

Missouri as text-books in the public schools, for the reason that said books show *bias, partiality and partisanship* in those portions which treat of the Civil War, especially the war in Missouri.

2nd. A memorial should be sent to the Legislature, asking the repeal of the law compelling children to use these books.

3rd. Every effort should be made, by precept and example, by public addresses, by Memorial Day exercises, by the display of the flag upon every school house, to instill into the minds of our children a spirit of true loyalty towards our flag and our country.

Respectfully submitted, in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
 JOHN M. WILLIAMS,
 W. C. CALLAND,
 CALVIN A. DAY,
 A. N. SEABER,

Committee.

Comrade Jno. M. Williams moved the adoption of the resolutions recommended by the Committee.

Comrade R. D. Cramer: I wish to understand if the motion is intended to cover the resolutions and leave out the explanation made by the committee? I was disposed to amend that motion by a motion to adopt the resolutions only. I approve of the condemning of the literature therein spoken of, but I am opposed to going into a discussion of how it came about and in what it is wrong and what it ought to be. I do not think we can gain anything by argument in the case. We cannot make these books; all we can do is to condemn them, but to go on and state what was done by this division of the Army, or what one General did, or another General did, or as to what a certain order was, or as to whether it was right or wrong, or whether it was a mistake, or whether it was fulfilled or not—with that I think we have nothing to do. I hope the resolutions will be adopted, leaving out of the report all the argument and everything except the resolutions.

The Department Commander: Do I understand Comrade Williams' motion to be simply the adoption of the resolution?

Comrade Williams: The adoption of the recommendation; that is all. Just one word. I presume, sir, there are a number of Comrades in this Department who are present to-day, who were present with Lyon thirty-eight years ago on yesterday.

They are prepared to say by their votes to-day whether or not the action of Lyon and Blair was or was not, on that occasion, a blunder, as declared in that history of Missouri. If it was a blunder, say so now. If it was an unpatriotic action in destroying that nest of treason and traitors, then say so. If our children are to be taught that treason is honorable, and that the war was conducted on the part of the South as a righteous war, and that it was conducted by a General of such transcendent ability that he never was defeated, then say so. I do not want my children to be taught treason. I do not believe that the Comrades of this Department want it. When we wrote and signed that report it was with the intention to present it fairly and squarely before this Department as to whether or not they would petition the Legislature to annul the infamous law which forces this history upon our public schools, or whether they are willing to abide by it. That is all there is about it, and all I have to say.

Comrade Leo Rassieur: I want to thank the committee for the work they have performed. I want to thank them for placing on record what the points are upon which they condemn this history. To simply say that this history is full of falsehoods and misstatements means nothing unless you point out wherein it is false. And when a Department Encampment, representing nearly fourteen thousand old soldiers, undertakes to say what is true and what is not true, that is the strongest statement that can come from a human source. (Applause.) My Comrades, there is more meaning in that committee's report because of their pointing out these errors than there would be without it. They have not simply given their conclusions. I am sorry to differ with my friend and Comrade Cramer, but I feel that I am under a personal obligation to the committee for making its report in the way it was made: because I think, with that report before us, we can go before the public and explain the cause of our action. Simple conclusions will not do. If we go before the public with simple conclusions, they will say there is no foundation for them: and therefore I hope that this report, with all its recommendations, will be adopted. (Applause.)

Comrade Dobyns, Post No. 45: I want to thank the committee for having the positiveness of saying that Rader's History

of Missouri is a lie. (Applause.) I went with Frank Blair and the "damned Dutch" of St. Louis to help take Camp Jackson. (Laughter and applause.) I was one of those beer barrels; but, I tell you, sir, I have no apologies to offer, either to Mr. Rader or to any other man in the State of Missouri, for the taking of that camp on that occasion. I do not think it was a mistake; and I am sure every true Missourian thinks as I do about it. I presume you have not all read that part of the history that says it was a mistake that we went out to Springfield and Wilson's Creek. We were licked a little in the beginning, but we came out in pretty good shape towards the last; and I may say, thank God, that we kept the State of Missouri in the Union. (Applause.)

Past Department Commander Martin: Comrades, notwithstanding all that has been said in regard to this matter, I believe that Comrade Williams is right, when he says that the Grand Army of the Republic has got nothing to do, as an organization, with this controversy, and that if left alone it will take care of itself. I do not believe that we should engage in any controversy by the adoption of the argument of the report.

Comrade Church, Post 124: Department Commander, I have had some experience in public school work in the State of Missouri, not only as a teacher and superintendent of schools, but as the editor of a newspaper. It is not very long ago since the publisher of Rader's History sent me a copy of it and asked me to make some comments on it in my paper. I did so. The book got pretty well criticized. Now, I want to say that I agree with Comrade Rassieur in this matter, that we should adopt the entire report and let the people of Missouri know why it is that we condemn the work of this historian. I think its teachings are worse than those of Edward Atkinson. (Applause.)

Comrade Rassieur: I want to say, Comrades, if you will but reflect for a moment, you will agree with us in the motion that is before us. You will bear in mind that this book pretends to be a school book, and that it is distributed through the State, and placed in the hands of our children with all its harmful and incorrect statements, and it will be handed down to posterity as a true history of the transactions of those times. You owe it to

posterity, you owe it to yourselves, and you owe it to your State to condemn it in such unmistakable words that any other human being who looks in future years upon the books that were used in our schools, may understand that this was a book only fit for the out-house and not for the school-room. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: The motion is, if I understand it, merely upon the adoption of the recommendation of the committee. Is that correct, Comrade Williams?

Comrade Williams: That is correct.

Comrade W. B. Rogers, Post 72: I move to amend that motion by moving to adopt the report of the committee, with its recommendations.

Comrade Rassieur: I second the motion.

The motion was then put, as amended, and was carried.

The Committee on the Chaplain's Report, reported as follows:

Comrade PETERSON and Comrades of the Eighteenth Annual Encampment:

Beg leave to report, that we have examined the report of Chaplain T. J. Ferril, and we are glad to report a good collection of statistics, and heartily endorse the suggestions made. We are glad to see in the report evidence of a great desire upon the part of the Chaplain for the good of our order.

T. H. HAGERTY,
GEO. HALL,
W. D. SIGLER.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Assistant Adjutant General's Report, made the following report:

To the Department Commander and Encampment:

The undersigned, your committee on the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined and considered the same, and after recommending that a correction be made of said report by inserting the number and name of McPherson Post No. 4 of Kansas City as the fourth largest Post of the Department instead of A. Lincoln Post No. 5, which was erroneously inserted therein. We also recommend that the discrepancy existing between the actual condition of the number of Posts in the Department and the number of Posts reported to the National organization be corrected without further delay by the new Assistant Adjutant General, to be hereafter appointed, so as to make the report compare with the facts

in every particular, giving full power and authority to make entries of annullment of charters and other entries which will accomplish the purpose of correcting the records so as to make them conform to the actual facts, and further recommend that the report be approved in every other provision, and the thanks of the Encampment be extended to the Assistant Adjutant General for the thorough, painstaking, capable and honest labors performed by him as shown by the details of the report as submitted to us. Respectfully submitted,

LEO. RASSIEUR,
R. D. CRAMER,
W. H. SKINNER.

The report was adopted.

Comrade Rodgers, Post 1: I move that we now proceed to the nomination of candidates for Representatives to the National Encampment. I do this so that the Assistant Adjutant General may have the list printed, and thus facilitate their election. I move, also, that the thirteen receiving the highest number of votes on the first ballot be declared elected as Representatives, and that the thirteen receiving the next highest number of votes be declared elected as Alternates.

The motion was carried.

On motion of Comrade Leo Rassieur, Comrade T. H. Hagerty was elected Representative-at-Large, with Comrade T. J. Ferril as Alternate-at-large.

The following nominations were made:

CHAS. C. BURGE, Post 23, Macon City.
MARTIN SCHERER, Post 13, St. Louis.
E. C. BROTT, Post 57, Brookfield.
SOL BOEHM, Post 1, St. Louis.
J. S. ROGERS, Post 17, Cameron.
WM. NIEHAUS, Post 107, St. Louis.
A. MCKINNEY, Post 187, Pierce City.
ISAAC LEEPER, Post 146, Avalon.
E. W. CARTER, Post 131, St. Louis.
C. N. BROOKS, Post 8, Kansas City.
JOHN T. BIRDSEYE, Post 26, Nevada.
JOE MORGAN, Post 110, Kahoka.
JACOB FISHER, Post 314, Cedar Hill.
CHAS. E. KOKEN, Post 301, St. Louis.

C. D. HOSKINS, Post 374, Dunlap.
 O. C. SNYDER, Post 22, Kirksville.
 J. W. ELDRIDGE, Post 210, Springfield.
 JAS. McMILLEN, Post 240, Boonville.
 B. A. SUPPAN, Post 1, St. Louis.
 C. A. MOSMAN, Post 7, St. Joseph.
 M. G. NETHERTON, Post 222, Melbourne.
 D. W. POLLOCK, Post 181, Powersville.
 A. KEMPINSKY, Post 82, Wellsville.
 JAS. T. GRIFFIN, Post 96, Maysville.
 JAS. BUSH, Post 387, Marceline.
 JOHN A. ATLER, Post 468, Highbee.
 M. L. FRY, Post 58, Butler.
 JACOB B. HARPER, Post 54, Unionville.
 LOUIS BURKEHART, Post 393, Milford.
 W. T. MUNSON, Post 130, Tina.
 G. W. TRAVIS, Post 173, Cape Girardeau.
 C. W. PAINTER, Post 345, Bear Creek.
 JNO. SHAFFER, Post 38, La Plata.
 H. G. C. DAMMER, Post 554, St. Charles.
 JNO. W. TOPPASS, Post 29, Chillicothe.
 VICTOR AUBREY, Post 47, Green City.
 E. W. GREEN, Post 53, Sedalia.
 J. F. McDONALD, Post 42, Macon.
 W. F. HENRY, Post 8, Kansas City.

The Committee on Judge Advocate's Report made the following report, which was adopted:

Department Commander:

Your committee to whom was referred the report of the Judge Advocate, beg leave to report that they have considered the same and find that the opinions rendered are sustained by the laws governing our order.

We do not concur in the recommendations as to Associate Organizations, as contained in Opinion No. 9.

L. BENECKE,
 C. A. MOSSMAN,
 CHAS. W. CLARKE,

Committee.

On motion of Comrade Rassieur, the Encampment proceeded to select the place for holding the next Department Encampment.

Comrade McAdoo, Post 72: Commander and Comrades—In calling me an orator, they have slandered me. (Laughter.) I am glad to appear before so many good-looking Comrades, but I am sorry to say that I am out of order. You see by my voice that I can hardly speak. Under the circumstances in which I am placed, I will have to ask a little patience on your part, and I want you who have read fluent speeches and formulated nice sentences, that they all should be placed to my credit, because I have no power to repeat those things now. Allow me to say that I have the pleasure and the honor of presenting an invitation from Capt. John Matthews Post, No. 69, and McCroskey Post, No. 210, of Springfield, Missouri. I also have the pleasure of presenting the invitation of the Mayor of the City of Springfield and the City Council, and the citizens of Springfield, and most of the surrounding country, for you to hold your next Annual Encampment at Springfield. Now, Comrades, it is not necessary for me to dwell upon the glories and beauties of the City of Springfield, to which I invite you. You all know it by reputation. You all know it to be a beautiful city, located upon a plateau of the Ozark range, where we have beautiful fountains and clear spring water. There are beautiful springs situated near the city, the waters of which flow to the Osage River to the north and south to the Mississippi River. We have other springs flowing to the south past the town, as I say, which mingle with the great waters of the Mississippi, which furnish the inhabitants of that neighborhood with drinking water, and, besides, it is the most delightful growing city in the State of Missouri, without exception. We also have the finest streets and the handsomest and the brightest ladies in the State. While that is the fact, we have some of the ugliest men. (Renewed laughter.) Now, I see a great many good-looking men here, and I invite you all to come down to Springfield, and we will treat you well. We have hotel accommodations sufficient for everyone. We have six or eight No. 1 hotels, and some others not as good, and we have twenty-five or thirty first-class boarding-houses. We have accommodation sufficient for you all. We can take care of from

forty to fifty thousand people without any trouble whatever. We have a street car system as fine as there is in the United States, which runs to all parts of the city. I have here a resolution which I will read for your information:

Resolved, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Springfield, That a cordial and hearty invitation be and is hereby extended to the State Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic of Missouri to hold its next Annual Encampment, in the year 1900, in this city.

(Signed) WILLIAM A. HALL, Mayor.

I hope and believe that you will accept the invitation of our city, and that you will elect to hold the next Encampment in Springfield. I thank you for your attention. (Applause.)

There being no other nomination, the Assistant Adjutant General was instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Springfield, Missouri, as the place of the next annual meeting, and the vote of the Encampment was so recorded.

Senior Vice Department Commander Henry here took the Chair, and Past Department Commander Chas. G. Burton made the following report of the Committee on the Department Commander's address:

To the Commander and Comrades of the Department of Missouri, Grand Army of the Republic, in Encampment at Kirksville assembled:

Your committee to whom was referred the address of the Department Commander would respectfully report:

1st. We commend the efforts of the Department Commander to restore to the rolls the suspended and dropped members of the order, and we recommend that the methods inaugurated by him relating thereto be adopted by his successors.

2nd. We heartily approve of the sentiments expressed in the matter of the National Encampment at Cincinnati, Ohio, the Sons of Veterans, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Ladies of the G. A. R. and Memorial Day.

We also approve of the passage by the Legislature of Missouri of the proposed law concerning the wearing of badges and buttons, and the efforts of the Department Commander concerning the same are highly to be commended.

3rd. As to the suggested change in the organic law governing the Soldiers' Home at St. James, Mo., providing "that three of the directors shall be appointed by the Department Commander of Missouri and three by the President of the W. R. C.," we are unable to concur. The

promoters of that Home found it necessary to appeal to the State of Missouri for its support and maintenance, and the organic act enacted by the Legislature of the State was drawn by Comrade Rassieur, an experienced lawyer and a zealous friend of the Home. The Home is now and must remain an institution of the State. Under the constitution of the State the appointment of its directors must be made by the Governor of the State, and this power neither he nor the Legislature can delegate to the Department Commander, the President of the W. R. C., nor to anyone else. The law provides that three of such directors may be appointed from the ladies of the W. R. C. of the Department of Missouri, and that the others shall be ex-Federal soldiers of the war of 1861-5.

In this connection it is just to say that the Governor has appointed two ladies of the W. R. C. and seven ex-Union soldiers, six of whom are members of the G. A. R., and we doubt not that his successors, in making these appointments, will gladly receive and act upon the recommendations of the Department Commander and President of the W. R. C.

We are of the opinion, and so recommend, that permanent Headquarters be maintained at St. Louis, Mo.

We congratulate the Commander upon the economical administration of his office, and we move a vote of thanks to the representatives of and to the respective railroad companies named in the address.

And finally, we declare that it is the sentiment of the Encampment and of the Comrades of the Department that Commander A. G. Peterson has faithfully performed and strenuously discharged the duties of his office with lasting credit to himself and perpetual honor to the Department.

Well done, thou good and faithful servant, say we all.

Fraternally submitted,

C. G. BURTON,
GEO. W. MARTIN,
C. W. WHITEHEAD.

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted.

The Department Commander announced that he had re-appointed Past Department Commander C. W. Whitehead as a member of the Committee on Loans.

On motion of Comrade Rodgers, Post 1, the election of Officers and Delegates was made the special order for 10 o'clock A.M. to-morrow.

The Encampment then adjourned until 9 o'clock A.M. to-morrow.

SECOND DAY, MORNING SESSION, MAY 12, 1899.

The Department Commander in the Chair.

The Committee on the Death of the late Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Comrade James A. Sexton, made the following report, which was received and adopted by a rising vote, and a copy ordered to be sent to the family of the deceased:

Department Commander and Comrades:

The undersigned, a committee appointed to report resolutions on the Death of the Commander-in-Chief, the first one ever taken from us while holding that position, report the following:

Resolved, That the Department of Missouri learned with pain and sincere regret of the untimely death of our Comrade, James A. Sexton, while holding the high and honorable office of Commander-in-Chief, a position to which he was chosen by the National Encampment in September, 1898, and which office he held long enough to fully prove the wisdom of such choice.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Department are due President McKinley for his recognition of the Grand Army of the Republic by the appointment of its Commander-in-Chief as a member of the Committee on the Conduct of the War; that in his service, as a member of said committee, he demonstrated ability, honesty and integrity of a high order.

Resolved, That the heartfelt condolence of this Department is sincerely extended to the family of our deceased Commander-in-Chief.

A. H. BURKHOLDER,
H. R. PARSONS,
JOHN M. WILLIAMS,

May 11, 1899.

Committee.

Past Department Commander Burton, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, made the following report, which was, on motion, adopted:

To the Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Department of Missouri, in Encampment assembled:

Your Committee on Resolutions respectfully submit the following:

We congratulate the country upon the fraternal spirit that prevails throughout the land and upon the loyal devotion of the people of every section to the flag and the eternal principles of right, justice, liberty and union, of which it is the recognized symbol. To our Comrade, the President of the United States, we send greeting, and assure him of our loyal and undivided support in his patriotic and statesman-

like efforts to solve every problem, perform every duty and discharge every trust which the god of battles has cast upon the Nation in its onward march in the pathway of human liberty and the rights of man.

We salute the flag, and declare that it is the duty of every American citizen, without wavering, without doubt, without fear, to stand, speak and act for its upholding at Porto Rico, in Cuba, and over the Philippine Islands, until stable government shall have been established, and each and every individual therein shall enjoy security in the exercise of all his rights.

We hail the American soldiers and sailors of '98 and '99, and rejoice in their glorious victories on land and sea, and the imperishable honor they have won for themselves and the flag.

We again call the attention of the President and the people to the wrongs inflicted upon many of the soldiers and sailors of the Union in the administration of the pension laws, and we urge upon those in authority the prompt and speedy correction thereof.

To the people of Kirksville, we return our heartiest thanks for their royal welcome and generous hospitality. The draft we have drawn upon them has been honored, without discount or rebate, and we one and all shall carry with us the most pleasing and happy recollections of our visit to their beautiful city.

C. G. BURTON,
G. W. MARTIN,
LOUIS BENECKE,
C. W. WHITEHEAD,
LOUIS GRUND.

The Assistant Adjutant General read the following report of the Council of Administration:

KIRKSVILLE, MO., May 11, 1899.

To the Eighteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

Meeting of Council of Administration convened by order of Department Commander. Present—Department Commander A. G. Peterson, Senior Vice Commander W. F. Henry, Chaplain T. J. Ferril, Medical Director Ira T. Bronson, Assistant Adjutant General Jas. B. Wilde, and Committeemen Arnold Beck, Wm. Lowe and Francis P. Becker, elected members.

The Department Commander called the meeting to order. Minutes of previous meetings were read and approved.

The committee appointed to audit the books of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, made the following report:

KIRKSVILLE, MO., May 11, 1899.

To the Council of Administration, Department of Missouri, G. A. R.:

Your committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Assis-

ant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, respectfully report that we have performed that duty.

We find proper entries made for moneys received, and vouchers for all sums paid out; that the balance on hand December 31, 1898, was \$895.47.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS P. BECKER,
ARNOLD BECK,
T. J. FERRIL,

Committee.

Report of committee was adopted.

Senior Vice Commander W. F. Henry moved that the Council of Administration recommend that in the future the books of the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General be audited annually, to the date of the Department Encampment. The motion was duly seconded and carried.

No further business, on motion the Council of Administration adjourned.

JAS. B. WILDE,

Assistant Adjutant General and Recorder.

On motion the report was adopted.

Senior Vice Commander Henry presented the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted without reference:

Resolved, That the incoming Department Commander be instructed to appoint a committee of three, who shall consider and report to the next Department Encampment its recommendations with reference to the erection of a monument on the battle-field at Lone Jack, Missouri, to the memory of those who fell in that battle, and are there buried.

Comrade Rodgers, Post 1, offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions, and recommended by the committee for adoption:

WHEREAS, The last National Encampment adopted an amendment to the Rules and Regulations, Section 2, Article IV, Chapter 3, authorizing Departments to consolidate the offices of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General;

Resolved, That the offices of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General in this Department be consolidated.

On motion, the same was adopted.

A delegation of ladies from the Woman's Relief Corps was announced. The delegation was escorted to the platform and received with applause.

The delegation consisted of Mrs. Sparklin, Mrs. Bronson, and Mrs. Day. Brief and suitable addresses were made by the ladies, and Mrs. Sparklin, on behalf of the Woman's Relief Corps, presented the following report:

KIRKSVILLE, MO., May 12, 1899.

A. G. PETERSON, Department Commander Missouri G. A. R. :

Dear Sir—I have the honor to extend to you and through you to the Department of Missouri Grand Army of the Republic, greetings of the Woman's Relief Corps now in session, and submit to you the following report :

Number of Corps,	87
Number of Members,	1784
Amount of Relief Expended,	\$309.05
Estimated Relief other than money,	\$1025.15
Soldiers Assisted,	184
Number of Soldiers' Families Assisted,	567
Emergency Fund,	\$423.14
Emergency Fund Expended,	<u>\$348.12</u>
Amount Remaining,	\$75.02

Fraternally yours,

ALMA DAY,

Department President.

The report was received, and the thanks of the Department returned to the ladies for the same. The delegation then retired.

It being announced that a delegation of the Sons of Veterans was at the door, the Department Commander appointed a committee, consisting of Comrades Macklind, Post 1, McAdoo, Post 69, and Green, Post 53, to escort the delegation to the platform. Having performed that duty, the Sons of Veterans were greeted with applause, and after brief addresses by Rudolph Lobenstein and Manley Wren, on behalf of the Sons of Veterans, the delegation retired.

The following Comrades were appointed by Department Commander Peterson as Tellers to receive and count the ballots for Representatives and Alternates to the National Encampment:

Thos. B. Rodgers, Post 1; R. T. McCaskey, Post 5; W. R. Oder, Post 107; P. W. Corkran, Post 221; D. M. Berry, Post 241; G. Evans, Post 471.

A ballot was then taken for the election of Representatives and Alternates to the National Encampment, and the Tellers retired to count the votes.

The following were appointed a committee to visit Ladies of the G. A. R.: Comrades W. R. Oder, Post 107, J. L. Downing, Post 47, and M. Campbell, Post 39.

The following committee was appointed to visit the Sons of Veterans: Comrades J. L. Briggs, Post 14, Jas. Watson, Post 187, and M. Crockett, Post 510.

The Department Commander announced as the next order of business the election of Department Commander.

On motion the nominating speeches were limited to five minutes.

The Department Commander announced that nominations were in order for Department Commander.

Comrade Wormstead, Post 8: Department Commander and Comrades—I wish to place a gentleman in nomination as candidate for Department Commander who is true to us all, one that is well known to us all as having a splendid record as a soldier and as a Grand Army worker; one whose heart has always beat in sympathy with suffering connected with the interests of Grand Army men; one who is at present actively engaged in this grand work, and whom we know will continue to be so as long as his natural powers shall last; one whose warm heart is always ready with a word of counsel; one whose cheerful spirit always sheds a light upon every company of which he is a member. I allude to Senior Vice Department Commander, William F. Henry, of Kansas City. (Applause.)

Senior Vice Department Commander Henry: Some one whose name I do not recollect, but whose words will live, has said: "If we sit down at night and review the words spoken during the day, and find that we have said no word that jarred the heart of man, but all that we have said has brought sunshine to those that heard, we may account that day well spent." Three thousand years ago when Solomon wrote the proverb, "And the words are sweet as honey in the honeycomb," they are as true to-day as they were then. I thank my friend, Comrade Wormstead, for the kind words he has said in nominating me. What he has said was done without consulting me. If he had said anything to me about it, I should have requested him not to do it. I wish to say to Comrades whose names have been mentioned in this Department for the last few weeks as probable candidates before this Encampment, and to their friends, that I should not be a

candidate for any office at this Encampment, and certainly not that of Department Commander; but for the kind consideration you have given me, and for the kind words you have expressed in relation to me, I thank you, but I must respectfully decline to allow my name to be considered for the office of Department Commander.

The Department Commander: Comrade Henry withdraws his name.

Past Department Commander Rassieur: I desire to present to you to-day the name of a Comrade whom I had the pleasure of presenting to this Encampment a year ago. In presenting that name, I desire to say that I had the good fortune to present the name of one who manifests one grand quality which we ought highly to appreciate. When you expressed your wish for a Commander a year ago, my friend and Comrade, instead of hanging his head and feeling sore, took up the banner and carried it as before. He did not sulk in his tent. In other words, my friend, who is always a Grand Army man, is always ready to work. His best wish is, as is demonstrated by the record of the past, that the best one shall win. His past record is good. Thirty-eight years ago he entered the service of the United States in the worst war this government has ever seen. He served three whole years. In his regiment he served in the ranks, and I desire to say that we appreciate those who served in the ranks as much as those who served in the higher positions. I refer, Comrades, to Comrade John W. Scott. (Applause.) He has shown himself competent in every place that he has been put, and is always ready for duty. I simply call to your mind one fact. This Comrade has for twenty-one years held one of the most trusted and honorable positions in the gift of a large corporation, and if he did not deserve the trust and confidence of that corporation, and could not be trusted under all circumstances, that corporation would have sent him adrift long ago. I want to show you what he has done for the Post at Moberly during the year that he was Commander of that Post. He started in with seventy-six members in 1898, and after a loss of five by death and ten by transfer, to-day it has eighty-seven members in good standing. (Applause.) The Comrades of Lincoln Post No. 5,

will agree with me that most of the credit for the work done is due to Comrade John W. Scott. I ask of you, my Comrades, to stand by him to-day, and elect him to this office. I do not wish to detract from the qualities of any other Comrade who has been mentioned in this connection, who are competent to become Department Commanders, but it seems to me that Comrade John W. Scott is entitled to be placed in that position to-day, as a mark of recognition for past work done, and that the good work may go on which ought to go on. He was always a good worker and a good soldier. No one who knows him can say aught against him. I ask you to cast your votes for him.

Comrade W. A. Fast, Post 53: Department Commander and Comrades—At the request of Comrades in different portions of this Department, and especially of the Comrades of George R. Smith Post No. 53, I arise to place in nomination a Comrade of that Post, who is as good a man as any. He is a man who by nature and by experience in Grand Army work is enthusiastic, and a man who in every way is fitted for the position to which he aspires and to which his numerous Comrades throughout this Department hope to see him elevated. I am glad the present time to know that this Department has abundant material out of which it can make first-class Department Commanders. We have had plenty of evidence of that. North and Northwest Missouri has given us a Martin, a Platt, a Smith and a Benecke, and that aspiring city at the confluence of the Missouri and the Kaw Rivers has given us a Warner and a Whitehead, while the metropolis of the East has given us a Cole, a Rodgers, a Rassieur and a Grund, and our able Commander at present, Peterson, and I may say that the sunny South and Southwest has given us able men; it has given us a Kimball and a Phelps, and it has given us a Burton. And Central Missouri! What is the matter with Central Missouri? It has sixty Grand Army Posts, and in point of numbers and good Grand Army work it is second to no other portion of the State. What is the matter, I say, with Central Missouri, that she has had no Department Commander up to date? It is not on account of her material, for she has abundant material for that position. I want to say here, Comrades, that George R. Smith Post, of Central Missouri,

wants to place in nomination, and asks the suffrages of this Department for its well-trying and well-beloved Commander, Ira T. Bronson. When Comrade Bronson first attempted to enter the Army of the United States, on account of his age and on account of being small in stature, he was rejected; but he got to the front as a bugler in 1861. In 1863, in the Army of the Potomac, he was promoted to the position of a private to carry a musket. (Laughter.) In 1864, attracting the attention of officers immediately above him, he was promoted to a lieutenantancy. Being a lieutenant, and the best man for the place in the regiment, he was made the Quartermaster of his regiment, and as such he served to the end of the war. The Grand Army loves to honor and place in positions of preferment men who early in the conflict sprang into the work, unmindful of the dangers and toil and the sufferings of a soldier's life, and who stayed with the Army until the surrender at Appomattox. Such a man as this, George R. Smith Post No. 53 presents to you for the position of Commander and asks your suffrages. (Applause.)

Comrade A. H. Burkholder, Post 72: It affords me genuine pleasure to add another to the list of names for Department Commander. In doing so, I do not propose to deliver any prepared speech, or to use any metaphors of an unusual character, but I shall content myself with very briefly and in a limited time to speak a few words in favor of my candidate for Department Commander. In the name and on behalf of the Post I represent, I will present a candidate whose name is certainly familiar to all of you present. I have known him since he became a citizen of the State of Missouri. Thirty-two years ago he opened a law office in Trenton, Mo., in the town where I then lived and still live, and he came forward to the front and found his way up to a position at the bar. A few years afterwards I became a partner of his in the practice of the law, and I remained with him until he was elected prosecuting attorney of that county, when we dissolved partnership. I can say that I am personally acquainted with him; I am better acquainted with our candidate than any other man in the State of Missouri. He is a charter member of Col. Jacob Smith Post No. 72 and Past

Commander of my Post. He has attended State and National Encampments as a Delegate, and he is now present. I can assure you that he is well qualified for the position he seeks. He is a Hoosier; he was born in the great State of Indiana and educated there. When he was twenty years of age he was attending one of the best schools in that State. When he heard of the shot fired on Fort Sumpter—the shot that was heard around the world—he laid down his books and joined the Nineteenth Indiana Regiment. He served in two different regiments four years. You ask me, where does he come from and what has he done? I answer, it embraced one year's service in the East, and in 1862 he was engaged in the battle of Perryville; in the same year he was engaged in the battle of Stone River; in 1863 he was at the battle of Lookout Mountain and at Chickamauga and Missionary Ridge; in 1864 he was a member of the Army of the Cumberland, and was with Sherman in his great campaign—in the greatest campaign in all history, and which lasted over one hundred days. He comes to us from the battlefields of Kingston, Resaca, Kennesaw Mountain and Peach Tree Creek, and the battles in front of Atlanta. He followed his regiment from Alabama and Georgia to Tennessee, and was engaged in the brief but terrific conflict at Franklin, in November, 1864. Still later, he was in the battle of Nashville. He remained in the service until the surrender of Lee. He was discharged at Nashville, Tenn., and sent home, and, I dare say, there is no man present who can present a better war record than he. He participated in more than twenty battles and was present at more than thirty skirmishes. I refer to Comrade George Hall, whom I now nominate and ask you to support. (Applause.)

Comrade R. D. Cramer, Post 179: Comrades and Members of the Grand Army of the Republic—I am truly glad indeed to be permitted to arise to second the nomination of one of our worthy Comrades, who has been nominated as our standard bearer for the next year, and I assure you in doing so I am not here to find fault nor to laud unduly the man whom I shall second the nomination of as better than all others. I claim that this Department has material out of which we can make a standard bearer—yes, four hundred of them for that matter. I say

to you that I am here for the purpose of seconding the nomination of a man of whom it has been well said, was a distinguished citizen of Indiana, and who left school to go into the army. Afterwards he returned to the capital of that State and being admitted to the bar went to practicing law, and in that way became a man of mature years and thought. Concluding that Missouri was one of the great States of this Union, he came to Missouri. He came to Missouri because Missouri was his choice, and he has been an active worker in the Grand Army of the Republic from its organization down to the present time. His heart is with us; his zeal and energy are for us, and I predict, if elected Department Commander, he will have no superior in that capacity. I have the honor, and I am glad to represent the interests of my friend, George Hall of Trenton. (Applause.)

Comrade Betts, Post 5: Commander and Comrades—It is not my purpose and intention to even talk a short time in seconding the nomination of John W. Scott. You all know him, and he is well known throughout the Department, and it is not my purpose to go over his record as a soldier. We will admit that Comrades Bronson and Hall were good soldiers, but I ask you to vote for John W. Scott for Department Commander, and I will say that it is the desire of Post No. 5 that you do so. (Applause.)

Past Department Commander Warner: Department Commander and Comrades—I wish to express my pleasure at this opportunity of seconding the choice of this Encampment for one of three good men. I can say what I want to say here in a word. It has already been said here by Comrade Cramer, that there are three good men before this Encampment for this position, and that each will receive, and are entitled to receive, a hearty endorsement, and that each is worthy of being Department Commander of this great Department. If I were asked from whence comes this endorsement of the candidate I arise to second the nomination of, I would say that it comes from the loyal heart of every Grand Army worker in the State of Missouri. I second the nomination of John W. Scott. (Applause.)

Past Department Commander Burton: Department Commander and Comrades, I cordially approve the sentiments of

Comrade Warner expressed here, when he says that each of these three Comrades is worthy to be your Department Commander. Every man who knows John W. Scott loves him, and no one names him but to praise. The Almighty has written upon the lineaments of Ira Bronson the symbol of comradeship and patriotism. So far as I am individually concerned I know whereof I speak. So far as these three Comrades are concerned, whichever one you choose, you will, I am sure, have no reason to regret your choice. Comrade Hall and I served in a number of campaigns together, and I said then if ever the time comes when I can stand by him I will do it. We served together at Stone River and Nashville, and though I am not here to say one word against either of the other two Comrades who have been nominated for this position, I take pleasure in seconding the nomination of Comrade Hall. (Applause.)

Comrade O. P. Smith, Post 8, seconded the nomination of Ira T. Bronson.

The nomination of John W. Scott was also seconded by Comrades J. R. Milner, Post 69; Henry Fairback, Post 107; John Schaeffer, Post 38; H. F. Glahn, Post 36; Joe Morgan, Post 110; Past Department Commander Louis Benecke; Geo. Englehart, Post 76.

The nomination of George Hall was also seconded by H. H. McElhaney, Post 102; S. A. Hartley, Post 374.

The Encampment then proceeded to ballot for Department Commander, and the Tellers retired to count the votes.

Nominations for Senior Vice Department Commander being in order, the following nominations were made:

Comrade Whitehead placed in nomination Comrade J. G. Zimmerer, of Col. Hassendeubel Post No. 13.

Comrade Rassieur placed in nomination Comrade William H. Skinner, of T. D. Neal Post No. 124.

Comrade Church, of Lieutenant T. D. Neal Post No. 124, at the request of Comrade Skinner, and with the consent of his friends, withdrew his name from nomination, and on the motion of Comrade Milner, there being but one nomination for the office of Senior Vice Department Commander, the Assistant Adjutant

General was instructed to cast the vote of the Department for Comrade J. G. Zimmerer, which was accordingly done and he was declared elected.

Nominations for Junior Vice Department Commander being in order, Comrade Cramer said: Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of Missouri—While it is true that it has been our custom, from the time of which the memory of man runneth not to the contrary, that the locality in which the Encampment is held shall furnish the man for Junior Vice Commander of this Department, I want to say that, in this case, Corporal Dix Post, of Kirksville, has duly considered the matter, and has suggested the name of a Comrade that I am personally known to, a man who will do the greatest amount of good, and a man of energy and progress. I have been intimately connected with him, and I say, in this particular case, while it has been our custom, irrespective of other things, to take a man from the locality in which the Encampment is held, I want to say to this Department that when we take the man suggested by Corporal Dix Post, we will not take one that is not in full sympathy and in complete harmony with the Grand Army of the Republic. I name our honorable and worthy Comrade, William D. Sigler, of Kirksville, as Junior Vice Commander for the ensuing year. (Applause.)

On motion the rules were suspended and Comrade Sigler was elected Junior Vice Commander by acclamation.

Nominations for Medical Director being in order, Comrade Rassieur nominated Comrade Jos. McAdoo, of Post 69, for the position of Medical Director.

No other nominations being made, the rules were suspended and Comrade McAdoo was duly elected to that position.

Comrade Carter, of Custer Post No. 7, nominated Comrade T. J. Ferril as Department Chaplain for the ensuing year.

No other nominations being made, the rules were suspended and Comrade Ferril was duly elected to that position.

The result of the ballot for Department Commander was announced by the Department Commander, as follows:

Total number of votes cast, 403; necessary to a choice, 202;

of which Comrade John W. Scott received 217, Comrade George Hall 155, Comrade Ira T. Bronson 31 votes.

Comrade Scott having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Department Commander for the ensuing year.

On motion of Comrade Hall, seconded by Comrade Bronson, the election of Comrade Scott was made unanimous.

On motion, Comrades Hall and Bronson were appointed a committee to escort Comrade Scott to the platform, where he shortly afterwards appeared and was greeted with applause.

The Department Commander: Comrades, it is my pleasure to introduce to you your newly-elected Department Commander, Comrade John W. Scott. (Applause.)

Department Commander Scott: Commander and Comrades— I first wish to say that my ability to entertain you as a speaker has been quite limited in the past, as you all know, and I hardly expect any improvement along that line at this late day. Like many of my Comrades, I left the school-room and a pleasant home to enter the ranks of Uncle Sam, and follow the destiny of "Old Glory," at a time when one should be preparing for the peaceful pursuits of the future, instead of engaging in a long and cruel war for the grandest government on the earth. I am aware it is customary and proper when one receives a compliment or a favor, that the same receive acknowledgment in some manner befitting the occasion; but there are times and exceptions, and this is one to me, when I am unable to find words sufficiently expressive of the kind thoughts and thanks for the choice honor you have just bestowed upon me. (Applause.)

In the last few moments, thoughts have coursed through my mind, causing me to realize and appreciate more fully the great honor of being eligible and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. But a few moments ago, you might say, I was fulfilling the duties of a high private in the rear rank, and in that short space of time you have seen fit to place within my grasp the highest compliment within the Department. Comrades, incidents often occur that make us feel prouder of our Order than ever before and that we are American citizens. I meet with

Comrades here to-day that I touched elbows with from 1861 to 1865, and though much older they retain the same mettle and determination as of old, for when disaster surrounded our Kirksville Comrades and our Department Commander asked, do you wish the Encampment location changed, that peerless messenger went back, "Kirksville stands by her guns, bowed down, but not dismayed;" and that is a sentiment I feel proud of, and I am not surprised that this beautiful town and its good people sent out such a message to my Comrades. Your time is quite limited with much important work on hand, and I will take no more of it than to say, I shall endeavor to fulfill the duties involved impartially and to the best of my ability. Comrades, I thank you from the bottom of my heart, and whenever I can be of service to you, count on me, and I will expect your assistance in return. Again I thank you. (Applause.)

Comrade Hall, being loudly called for, addressed the Encampment as follows:

Department Commander and Comrades: It is rarely that a man is called upon to preach his own funeral, but I want to tell you, Comrades, that you have got the liveliest corpse here there is in the State of Missouri. (Laughter.) There are no sore spots around me, or on my body. (Applause.) I want to tell you that there is no Comrade in this Department that will give Department Commander Scott more loyal support than I will during his term. (Applause.) I am sorry that I cannot make a speech. I had another different speech prepared for you (laughter), but you have knocked it all to pieces (renewed laughter). I think you did about the right thing, Comrades, for I want to tell you something: the truth is, I have been for Comrade Scott for pretty nearly a whole half minute. (Cheers and laughter.) What I have lost in the past, I hope to make up during the coming year. I thank you. (Applause.)

Comrade Bronson, being called for, spoke as follows:

Department Commander and Comrades: I could not make a speech if I should attempt it. I want to say that I was the first man to congratulate Comrade Scott on the fine majority that he got from this Department, and for the honor conferred upon him. I thank God that we are Comrades; that we all belong to

that noble body of men, that when we go down in defeat we never complain about it, and as Comrade Hall says, we have no bruises and keep no knives up our sleeves. (Applause.) Comrades, let us stand by the Grand Army of the Republic above everything else. We love it; we love the land of our fathers. We love the Grand Army of the Republic. Comrades, let us keep the ranks closed up, and see to it that the elbow touch is more in evidence each succeeding year, and thereby keep our great organization compactly filled and cemented by a fraternal feeling. Our ranks are growing thinner; we are growing older, and our Comrades are dropping off year by year. I stand before you as a Comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic, and I will be with you in upholding the hands of our Department Commander during the next year, and I hope that its prosperity and harmony will be the greatest of any year in the history of our Department. (Applause.)

The Department Commander: The next order of business will be the election of five members of the Council of Administration.

The following Comrades were nominated: Comrade N. W. Taylor, Post 131; Comrade Francis P. Becker, Post 13; Comrade E. D. Cornish, Post 17; Comrade Arnold Beck, Post 1; Comrade Ira T. Bronson, Post 53.

There being no other nominations, the rules were suspended and the Comrades named were elected by acclamation

The Encampment adjourned until 1:15 P. M.

SECOND DAY, AFTERNOON SESSION.

Department Commander Peterson called the Encampment to order at 1:15 o'clock P. M.

The delegates not being all in their seats, Comrade William Warner of Kansas City was called for, and he came upon the platform and said:

Department Commander and Comrades:—Owing to circumstances over which I have no control, when I got out my Grand Army uniform last evening I found that the trousers would not

button around the waist and the coat was too small, so that I had to appear in this undress uniform, of which I am heartily ashamed.

Chaplain Hagerty: If I may interrupt the Comrade, I will state that he told that same story last year. (Laughter.)

Comrade Warner (resuming): I hope the reputation of the new Department Chaplain for truth and veracity is better than that. (Laughter.) I feel that this is no time to make a speech. I can only thank you from the bottom of my heart for the compliment you have paid me to-day in inviting me to say a word. I do not know how it is with others, but I feel the ties of comradeship between the men of 1861 and myself are stronger to-day than they have been at any time since Lee surrendered to Grant at old Appomattox. I feel that we are more respected by the nation to-day than we have been for years. The last year's experience of this nation at Santiago, Porto Rico and the Philippines has again made this nation appreciate the men who placed their bodies as a living wall between Old Glory and those who would tear it down. (Applause.) Notwithstanding all this, I do not believe that the men who fought the battles of this country, the men who were faithful among the faithless, the men who left home and family for the defence of their country, have received that consideration at the hands of the government to which they are entitled. (Applause.) But, Department Commander and Comrades, I shall not attempt to talk further at this time, as I suppose you wish to proceed to business. (Cries of "Go on. Go on.") One of the pleasant things of this Encampment is that we have three such gallant and noble Comrades as Scott, Bronson and Hall who are qualified for the position of Department Commander of our State; and I congratulate you on the feeling that prevailed during this contest and after it was over. I think I may say that I but reflect the sentiments of every Comrade here when I tender the outgoing officers of this Department, from Department Commander Peterson down to the lowest officer, our heartfelt thanks for the manner in which they have discharged the duties of their offices. I thank you. (Applause.)

The Tellers reported the result of the ballot for Representa-

tives and Alternates to the National Encampment, and the following were declared elected:

REPRESENTATIVES.

O. C. SNYDER	Post 22	249
CHAS. C. BURGE	Post 23	212
W. F. HENRY	Post 8	209
J. W. ELDRIDGE	Post 210	199
J. F. McDONALD	Post 42	104
E. C. BROTT	Post 57	185
MARTIN SCHERER	Post 13	184
J. S. ROGERS	Post 17	183
C. A. MOSMAN	Post 7	160
C. N. BROOKS	Post 8	156
WM. NIEHAUS	Post 107	149
A. MCKINNEY	Post 187	149
ISAAC LEEPER	Post 146	142

ALTERNATES.

SOL. BOEHM	Post 1	139
JNO. T. BIRDSEYE	Post 26	122
JOS. MORGAN	Post 110	119
JACOB B. HARPER	Post 54	119
D. W. POLLOCK	Post 181	118
E. W. CARTER	Post 131	111
JNO. W. TOPPASS	Post 29	101
E. W. GREEN	Post 53	98
JAS. McMILLEN	Post 240	93
M. G. NETHERTON	Post 222	88
G. W. TRAVIS	Post 173	86
JACOB FISHER	Post 314	84
A. KEMPINSKY	Post 82	78

On motion, the Encampment proceeded to the installation of officers.

The newly elected officers were then installed by Past Department Commander Martin.

After a prayer by Chaplain Ferril, and the singing of a song beginning "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," by the Kansas City Quartette, the Encampment, on motion, adjourned *sine die*.

Unofficial Proceedings.

At 3 p. m., on Thursday, the Woman's Relief Corps Delegates were given a ride through the city by the citizens, and at night the ladies of the local Woman's Relief Corps gave a reception to the visitors in the Court House.

At 8 p. m. there was a reception at the Court House by the Citizens' Committee, and camp fires at the Opera House, Memorial Hall of Still's College, and the Columbian School. They were all crowded and many were turned away.

At Still's Infirmary, Comrade B. F. Heiny presided. Dr. Still made the welcoming address, followed by Dr. T. H. Hagerty and Department Chaplain Comrade Ferril. S. V. Commander Henry gave a number of recitations, and the Kansas City Quartette rendered a number of selections. S. V. National Commander-in-Chief, W. C. Johnson, gave a very pleasant talk.

The camp fire at Columbian School was in charge of Comrade J. M. McCall. Exercises were opened by the Columbian School band. The audience was called to order and united in singing "America." Dr. Ward, president of the school, made a short address of welcome, and Comrade C. G. Burton talked for an hour in his usual happy strain, and was followed by songs and short talks.

At the Opera House, was presided over by Comrade A. N. Seaber, who introduced Mayor Noonan, complimenting the Mayor for his untiring work in caring for dead, wounded and unfortunate sufferers of the tornado. The Mayor's address was full of pathos in speaking of the terrible affliction that had recently befallen the city, thanking the members of the Encampment for their generous kindness in visiting the stricken city, and for their liberal donation of nearly two hundred dollars toward their relief fund. He then gave a glowing tribute to "Old Glory" and tendered the town to the "old boys."

Miss Eldridge, of Springfield, Daughter of the Department, sang sweetly, as she always does.

Comrade Leo Rassieur made the principal address of the evening; it was full of eloquence, abounding in patriotic sentiments and was frequently punctured by applause.

The Kansas City Quartette also visited this entertainment and rendered a number of choice selections.

At 2 P. M. Friday the parade started, under the command of J. H. Kinnear as Chief Marshal; the procession was headed by the Kirksville Drum Corps, and was followed by a number of ex-Confederates and a few Veterans of the Mexican War, who acted as an escort to the "boys." On reaching the Opera House the Department Commander and Staff swung out to the reviewing stand, the procession marching through packed lines of students of the American School of Osteopathy. After the parade the members of the Encampment were treated by the Commercial Club to a carriage ride through the city, passing through the tornado district to the large schools of Osteopathy, the State Normal School, and other objects of interest. The ride was restful and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

At night there was a grand Camp Fire of the Blue and Gray at the Normal School; a magnificent audience, fully 1500 people were present. The meeting was in charge of Prof. Norton, a Union Veteran. The meeting opened by the audience singing "America." Eloquent addresses were made by Comrades Wm. Warner, Ferril, and Burton, and Miss Eldridge gave recitations and sang a number of selections. The Kansas City Quartette spread themselves. One of the principal addresses was made by Col. G. M. McGuire, who said, among other happy observations, that the soldiers of both sides had full confidence in the wisdom of the Government in the settlement of all questions; and in touching words told of the days when his flag was furled forever, and of the hearty support given Old Glory by the "boys" in gray.

GENERAL ORDERS,

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
ROOM 303 TEMPLE BLDG., BROADWAY AND WALNUT ST.
ST. LOUIS, MO., May 30, 1898.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 1. }

I. Appreciating to the very fullest extent the great complement the Comrades of this Department have paid me in electing me to the very responsible position of Department Commander. at the Seventeenth Annual Encampment, held at Carthage, Mo., May 19 and 20, I accept the position in the firm belief that I shall have the hearty good will and cordial support of every Comrade in the Department for the ensuing year.

My sincere thanks are due to the Comrades for their confidence and esteem, and I pledge myself to use every effort to advance the best interests of our grand organization.

II. The following-named Comrades were elected to the offices designated for the ensuing year.

A. G. Peterson, Post 131, St. Louis, Department Commander.

Wilbur F. Henry, Post 8, Kansas City, Senior Vice Department Commander.

Thos. B. Tuttle, Post 16, Carthage, Junior Vice Department Commander.

Ira T. Bronson, Post 53, Sedalia, Medical Director.

Rev. T. J. Ferril, Post 7, (Res.) Tina, Chaplain.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

N. W. Taylor, Post 131, St. Louis.

Arnold Beck, Post 1, St. Louis.

Francis P. Becker, Post 13, St. Louis.

Wm. Lowe, Post 78, Warrensburg.

J. W. Carmack, Post 362, Seybert.

The following-named Comrades were elected Representatives and Alternates to the Thirty-second National Encampment.

Representative-at-Large, Jno. W. Scott, Moberly.

Alternate-at-Large, T. D. Smith, Rolla.

F. F. Snow, Kansas City.

C. C. Bell, Boonville.

W. B. Rogers, Trenton.

W. J. Dale, St. Louis.

H. P. Kramer, St. Louis.

C. F. Neidringhaus, St. Louis.

W. E. Evans, Carl Junction.

P. W. Bahl, Springfield.

A. McKenney, Pierce City.

J. H. Smith, Warrensburg.

H. H. Harding, Carthage.

J. S. Rogers, Cameron.

C. W. Ruby, Lebanon.

L. F. Klostermann, Cape Girardeau.

ALTERNATES.

J. A. Davis, Greenfield.	A. L. McBride, Butler.
J. W. Beach, St. Joseph.	D. W. Pollock, Powersville.
Wm. Niehaus, St. Louis.	W. H. Morse, Warrenton.
J. J. Fisher, Grubville.	E. L. Hamlin, St. Louis.
J. T. Birdseye, Nevada.	H. C. Heckathorne, Carthage.
Isaac Leeper, Avalon.	Jno. R. York, Joplin.
H. E. Robinson, Maryville.	Anthony Roeslein, St. Louis.

III. The following appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

John B. Pachall, Post 1, St. Louis, Acting Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.

Geo. Hall, Post 72, Trenton, Judge Advocate.

Frank Buchanan, Post 185, New London, Inspector.

L. F. Klostermann, Post 173, Cape Girardeau.

They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

IV. All official communications should be addressed to John B. Pachall, Acting Assistant Adjutant General, Room 303 Temple Building, Broadway and Walnut Street, St. Louis, Mo.

Communications of a personal nature to the Department Commander should be addressed to Nos. 406 and 408 North Broadway, St. Louis, Mo.

V. Officers elected and appointed will at once secure their Official Badges and Rank Straps. Past officers will wear their Badges in accordance with the Rules and Regulations.

It would be exceedingly gratifying if the Comrades would all wear their G. A. R. Buttonier. There is no badge in this country that wins respect like our G. A. R. Button, and every Comrade ought to be proud in wearing one. They can be secured of the Post Quartermaster at the price of 10 cents each.

VI. Officers elected and appointed are expected to use their best endeavors to promote a renewed interest in the affairs of this Department, so that at the end of our official year this Department will rank second to none in the United States in point of dropped and suspended members restored to good standing. Comrades throughout the Department are also most cordially invited to second the efforts of their officers in this direction.

VII. Post Commanders are urgently requested to name some Comrade for appointment on the Staff of the Department Commander, one whose zeal in the good work of our order will lead to renewed interests in the Post from which the appointment is made.

VIII. Duplicate blanks, consolidated form "A" and "B," for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's Reports for the six months ending June 30, 1898, are herewith enclosed. These reports should be made out and signed by the Post Commander at the last meeting in June,

and immediately forwarded with the per capita tax in one envelope to the Assistant Adjutant General. The per capita tax for the six months ending June 30, is ten cents for each member in good standing.

IX. Blanks for Post Chaplain's Report are also enclosed. These should be made out at once and forwarded through the Assistant Adjutant General's office. As these reports are to be made the basis for a history of the work of the Grand Army on Memorial Day, it is essential that they be correct.

X. The Department Encampment at Carthage directed that henceforth all reports of Post Officers be forwarded through the Assistant Adjutant General's office, and that the countersign be withheld until these reports had been received.

XI. The next National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Cincinnati, Ohio, beginning September 5th, and the Department Commander is extremely anxious that Missouri should be represented in a manner that will reflect credit upon the Department. The Department Commander wishes every Comrade to consider himself specially invited to attend this Encampment.

The Western and Central Passenger Associations have so far agreed upon a rate of one cent per mile each way from St. Louis and return. It is, however, hoped to have this rate still further reduced.

XII. Ransom Post No. 131 has tendered to the Department Commander for use as Headquarters during Encampment week. Parlor "A" of the Burnet House, Cincinnati same has been accepted with many thanks, and will be occupied as Headquarters of the Department of Missouri during the Encampment week. This room is the finest hotel parlor in Cincinnati, and the Department is to be congratulated upon having such a fine Headquarters without any expense to the Department.

XIII. The Wm. Barr Dry Goods Company of this city have presented to the Department two United States Flags; Old Glory will be displayed each day from the windows of the Headquarters.

A. G. PETERSON,

Department Commander.

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No. 2.

ST. LOUIS, June 22, 1898.

I. The following Comrades are hereby appointed on the Staff of the Department Commander, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

PERSONAL STAFF.

A. O. Engleman, Post 1, Chief of Staff.
 C. W. Thomas, Post 6, Jefferson City, Ordnance Officer.
 Thomas W. Evans, Post 7, St. Joseph, Commissary of Subsistence.
 John B. Cotty, Post 5, Moberly, Color Bearer.
 Adam Thels, Post 43, Hannibal, Provost-Marshal.
 John B. Schneider, Post 13, St. Louis, Chief Bugler.

II. The following Comrades are hereby appointed Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander, and will at once enter upon their duties:

E. R. Clough, Post 48.	W. B. Mullins, Post 178.
H. A. Blake, Post 63.	Jno. S. Haley, Post 22 .
J. B. McQuile, Post 82.	H. C. Montgomery, Post 150.
Wm. Owen, Post 110.	Max Fritz, Post 13.
D. M. Stafford, Post 16.	A. J. Ragsdale, Post 141.
Wick Morgan, Post 362.	

It is fully expected Comrades holding above offices will take an active interest in the welfare of our order in their respective localities. They will at once familiarize themselves with the Rules and Regulations, visit the Posts near their home towns, and in every way possible aid the Department Commander in infusing new life into our organization.

III. Comrades throughout the Department are requested to report to these Headquarters the names of parties who, in violation of the Rules and Regulations, persist in wearing our G. A. R. Button or Badge. Members dropped from the rolls or dishonorably discharged, or who have withdrawn from membership and have not affiliated with the order for over twelve months, are considered non-members, and must not wear the insignia of our association.

IV. The Department Commander is exceedingly anxious to have a report of all suspended and dropped members now residing in our State, and for this purpose has requested the Post Commanders throughout the Department to send in such a list as are known to reside near the location of their respective Posts. Would suggest that these names be sent in as early as possible.

V. The following Comrades are hereby appointed Committee on School Histories, in accordance with instructions given at the Department Encampment at Carthage:

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL HISTORIES.

Jno. M. Williams, Post 276, California.	C. A. Day, Post 4, Kansas City.
A. V. Seaber, Post 22, Kirksville.	F. C. Woodruff, Post 131, St. Louis.
W. C. Calland, Post 69, Springfield.	

VI. The Department Commander would again urge Post Commanders who have not done so to at once send in the name of some

worthy Comrade for appointment as Aide-de-Camp upon the Staff of the Department Commander.

VII. Department Officers and Official Staff desirous of accommodation at Headquarters in Cincinnati during Encampment week, beginning Sept. 5th, 1898, should at once notify these Headquarters, so that arrangements can be made at once for their accommodation. A satisfactory rate per day has been made at the Burnet House, and all who apply early can rely upon being well taken care of.

VIII. The Department Commander has accepted an invitation to be present at the Soldiers' Reunion to be held in Nevada, August 8th to 13th inclusive, and it is sincerely hoped a large gathering of the old soldiers will be present. A similar invitation has also been accepted from the Ozark Battalion, who will hold their Reunion August 24th, 25th and 26th at Salem, Mo.

Comrades visiting St. Louis are most cordially invited to call at Headquarters, Room 303, Temple Building, corner Broadway and Walnut Street.

"The latch string hangs out."

By command of

A. G. PETERSON,

Department Commander.

J. B. PACHALI,

A. A. Adjt. Gen'l.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

ROOM 303 TEMPLE BUILDING, BROADWAY AND WALNUT ST.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 3.

ST. LOUIS, MO., July 18, 1898.

I. The following Comrades have been appointed to the offices designated, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

James B. Wilde, Post No. 131, Assistant Adjutant General.

Thomas S. Maxwell, Post No. 1, Assistant Quartermaster General.

All official communications should be addressed to Comrade Jas. B. Wilde, Assistant Adjutant General.

The following Comrades are hereby appointed Aides-de-Camp upon the Staff of the Department Commander, and will at once enter upon their duties:

M. M. Clark, Post 131, Sr. A. D. C.	R. H. Strother, Post 262.
Wm. Davis, Post 343.	Jno. T. Warburton, Post 7.
E. D. Cornish, Post 17.	Geo. W. Bowers, Post 158.
Bernhard Bick, Post 301.	R. W. Williams, Post 176.
Sol. Umpholbough, Post 29.	John W. Floyd, Post 468.
H. E. Robinson, Post 21.	Chas. W. Cleaver, Post 553.
G. W. Cooley, Post 229.	J. C. Wood, Post 358.

W. O. Adams, Post 120.

Wm. H. Bulla, Post 86.

W. R. Sanford, Post 183.

D. B. Watts, Post 235.

Jerry Slider, Post 557.

A. C. Post, Post 16.

Chas. Emory, Post 64.

F. L. Withaupt, Post 243.

Elmer S. Battin, Post 69.

Geo. P. Hall, Post 14.

Ell R. Fox, Post 76.

J. W. Temple, Post 145.

J. A. Kerr, Post 219.

A. P. Welsh, Post 19.

Hiram S. Tipton, Post 4.

Ira G. Kinney, Post 22.

James H. Reading, Post 384.

Commanders of Posts will promptly notify Comrades who have been appointed Aides-de-Camp upon the Staff of the Department Commander to at once signify their acceptance of the office, so that the Commissions of these Comrades can be sent them without delay.

II. The Department Commander desires to call the attention of Post Chaplains to the urgent necessity of complying at once with the Rules and Regulations calling upon them for their reports upon Memorial Day exercises. These reports must be made at once to Rev. T. J. Ferril, Tina, Carroll Co., Missouri.

III. Adjutants and Quartermasters of Posts who have not yet complied with General Orders, and have not sent in their Semi-Annual Reports ending June 30th, are urged to do so at once, so that this Department will be able to make its report to the Commander-in-Chief in time for his report, which will be submitted to the National Encampment to be held at Cincinnati, September 5th, 1898.

IV. The new Roster of the Department will be enclosed for distribution to the various Posts throughout the State. Additional copies can be had upon application to these Headquarters.

V. The Proceedings of the Department Encampment, held at Carthage, Missouri, May 19-20th, are now in the hands of the printer, and will be ready for distribution shortly. One copy will be mailed to each Post.

VI. The Department Commander is exceedingly anxious that this year should witness an increase in the membership of our order, and for this purpose he would again call the attention of all Post Commanders, who have not done so, to the necessity of at once complying with the request made, to send in the names of all dropped or suspended members to these Headquarters.

VII. The Department Commander has accepted an invitation to attend the Soldiers' Reunion to be held at Austin, Missouri, August 17th and 18th, and it is sincerely hoped a large number of the Comrades will be in attendance.

VIII. In less than sixty days the Thirty-second National Encampment of our organization will be held at Cincinnati, Ohio. The Comrades of the truly great and loyal State of Ohio are exerting themselves to the utmost to have each Comrade who will be in attendance

at Cincinnati have a royal time upon that occasion; so it is hoped Missouri will be largely represented. "Cincinnati is jealous of the reputation she has earned for openhanded hospitality, and her people, determined that her record in this shall not suffer on this occasion, have entered into the preparation for this event with a vim and vigor that presage the most successful reunion in the history of the Grand Army of the Republic."

For the benefit of Comrades who expect to attend the National Encampment at Cincinnati the following information concerning the sale of railroad tickets, limit of time, etc., is hereby given:

DATES OF SALE.

From Mississippi River points, and stations east thereof, tickets will be sold September 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th; from stations west of Mississippi River, September 3d, 4th and 5th.

LIMITS.

Tickets will be good for continuous passage in each direction—going passage to commence date of sale and return passage leaving Cincinnati not earlier than September 6th nor later than September 13th, 1898, except that extension of return limit will be granted as below.

EXTENSION OF LIMIT.

By depositing tickets with Mr. R. G. Stevenson, Joint Ticket Agent of Terminal Lines at Cincinnati, not earlier than September 5th nor later than September 9th, 1898, and payment at time of deposit of twenty-five cents to cover joint agency charges, an extension of return limit may be secured, to leave Cincinnati to and including October 2d, 1898. Tickets so deposited will be executed by the Joint Agent when withdrawn from the Agency, and will be honored for continuous return passage, leaving Cincinnati only upon date of execution.

SIDE TRIPS.

During the Encampment the Queen and Crescent Route will sell excursion tickets to Chattanooga (for Chickamauga National Park) at rate of \$5.00 for tickets limited to four days from date of sale, and \$7.25 for those limited to ten days from date of sale. Dates of sale, September 8th, 9th and 10th.

Arrangements have also been made by all Ohio railroads whereby persons attending the Encampment may visit their former homes, relatives and friends at any point in Ohio at greatly reduced rates.

The hotels at Cincinnati, mentioned below, are under contract to charge not more than their regular rates. Rooms will not be overcrowded, and comfortable accommodations will be provided for all.

The principal hotels are as follows: Burnet House, Grand Hotel, Gibson House, Hotel Alms, St. Clair, \$3.00 to \$5.00 per day; Dennison House, \$2.00 to \$3.50; Palace Hotel, Gerdes Hotel, Galt House, Indi-

ana House, \$2.00 to \$3.00 per day; St. Nicholas (European), \$1.50 to \$3.00 per day; Munro's (European), \$1.50 to \$3.00 per day; Emery (European), \$1.00 to \$3.00 per day; Stag Hotel (European), \$1.00 to \$2.00 per day.

There are fifty smaller hotels where parties may secure good accommodations at rates of from 50 cts. to \$1.00 for lodging, and from \$1.50 to \$2.00 for board and lodging. When no meals are desired, except breakfast, the same may be had at an advance of from 25 cts. to 40 cts. over the rate of lodging.

The parade will start at 9 A. M., on Wednesday, September 7th, and the line of march has been planned to be over the clean and shaded asphalted streets of the central part of the city, and will be curtailed in length so as not to exceed two miles. Every provision will be made by guards and barriers to keep the crowd of witnessing friends and citizens from encroaching upon the streets, thereby giving opportunities for full formation and display of the several Posts. It is to be hoped that Missouri will be well represented in line in this parade, and assist in making it one of the grandest that has ever been witnessed, not even being surpassed by that seen in Washington in 1892.

HORSES.

Department Staff Officers or Aldes who desire horses and equipments for the parade must make their wants known early, and not later than July 31st, to the Assistant Adjutant General. They will be furnished suitable steeds for the occasion at an agreed rate of not more than \$3.00 per horse, and for equipment \$2.75.

IX. Comrades throughout the Department are most cordially invited to offer to the Department Commander suggestions that in their opinion will have tendency to increase our membership, restore to the ranks all dropped and suspended members, and otherwise create a renewed interest in Posts throughout the Department. These suggestions will be most kindly received and fully appreciated.

By command of

JAMES B. WILDE,
Ass't Adjutant General.

A. G. PETERSON,
Dept. Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

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GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 4. }

ST. LOUIS, MO., August 6, 1898.

The following additional Aides-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced, and they will enter upon their duties at once:

H. M. Peeples, Post 337.	W. B. Wolcott, Post 516.
John M. Wherry, Post 444.	L. C. Shackelford, Post 537.
J. W. Lisbenby, Post 69.	W. R. Sanford, Post 185.
I. Wesley Ilse, Post 506.	W. S. Betts, Post 5.

Comrade Chas. H. Davis, Post 131, of St. Louis, is hereby appointed Special Aide-de-Camp to the Department Commander, and detailed for duty at the Headquarters of the Department at Cincinnati, as Chairman of the Reception Committee.

I. As this will be the last General Order issued before the National Encampment meets at Cincinnati, Ohio, beginning Sept. 5th, the Department Commander desires to call the attention of Post Commanders and Comrades throughout the Department to the following:

Headquarters of the Department will be closed in St. Louis from the evening of Sept. 3d to the morning of Sept. 12th, during which time the Headquarters of the Department will be in Parlor A, Burnet House, Cincinnati, Ohio, where all Comrades, not merely from Missouri, but from all sections of the United States, will be welcomed and given a Comrade's greeting. Parlor A will also be the Headquarters of Ransom Post, No. 131, and the well-known hospitality of this Post will assure to every visiting Comrade a reception well worthy of the name and fame of Ransom Post.

II. While the Burnet House has the reputation of being the highest priced and best kept hotel in Cincinnati, their rates being from \$3.00 to \$5.00 per day, arrangements have been made for all belonging to this Department at the rate of \$3.00 per day, including meals. Comrades desiring arrangements made for them on this basis will at once notify these Headquarters.

III. The arrangements at Cincinnati for the entertainment of the Comrades has been perfected to such a degree that all visiting Comrades will find no lack of enjoyment. Excursions, camp fires, concerts, and theatres will be free to every member in good standing in his own Post. Books of coupon tickets, entitling the holder to these places of entertainment, will be distributed from the Headquarters at the Burnet House.

IV. The official route of the Department of Missouri will be the Vandalla Line from St. Louis to Cincinnati.

A special Headquarters train will leave St. Louis Union Station, corner 18th and Market Sts., on Monday morning, Sept. 5th, at 8 o'clock sharp, arriving in Cincinnati on the same day at 5 o'clock P.M. This train will carry Ransom Post, the Department Commander, Department Officers and Staff; and it is most earnestly urged that all Comrades throughout the Department outside of St. Louis who can conveniently do so will join the Department Officers and go on this train.

The officers, delegates, and members of the Woman's Relief Corps are most cordially invited to accompany the Department Officers on their pilgrimage to Cincinnati on the special *Headquarters Train*.

A most cordial invitation is likewise extended to the Sons of Veterans of our State, and it is hoped they will go in large numbers. Comrades throughout the Department are specially impressed with the fact that railroad rates over the Vandalia Line from St. Louis to Cincinnati are as low as the lowest, equipment of the highest order, and in every way will the comfort, pleasure and convenience of the Comrades, their wives and friends, be looked after, so that the trip will be one of extreme pleasure and enjoyment. Comrades in the interior of the State will please see that their tickets to Cincinnati read from St. Louis via the Vandalia Line.

V. Past Department Commanders, and such other officers as are entitled to vote in the Encampment, are hereby called at Headquarters at the Burnet House on Tuesday evening, at 8:00 P.M. sharp. Comrades will report to A. O. Engleman, Chief of Staff. It is hoped that every member will be present.

VI. Wednesday, Sept. 7th, has been designated for the Grand Parade. Hour and place of rendezvous has not been designated, but official notice of same will be given from the rooms of the Headquarters on the evening of Tuesday, September 6th, 7:30 o'clock, where Commanders of Posts or Adjutants will report for instructions. Badges of the Department can be had upon application at same time. Comrade M. M. Clark, Senior Aide-de-Camp, will have charge of Badges.

The Department of Missouri will take its position in the parade in accordance with orders as issued by the Commander-in-Chief.

Blair Post No. 1, Department of Missouri, will have the right of column of the Missouri Division. By special request of the officers of Ransom Post, No. 181, this Post will have the left of column in the Missouri Division. Other Posts will follow Blair Post, No. 1, according to seniority.

The Department Commander, Officers of the Department, Personal Staff and Aides-de-Camp, will lead the Missouri column.

VII. It is earnestly urged that Comrades who attend this Encampment do so in full G. A. R. uniform, including white gloves and slouch hats. A neat and serviceable G. A. R. uniform can be purchased at prices from \$7.50 to \$10 for entire suit.

VIII. Comrades will bear in mind, the less baggage they take to the Cincinnati Encampment the more convenient it will be for them. Take only such baggage as can conveniently be carried in the hand. Past experience teaches us that *trunks* checked by the railroads are not always sure to arrive at their destination during Encampment week.

It is most sincerely hoped Missouri will be largely represented, and will, as in the past, carry off the honors by its large attendance, handsome appearance and soldierly bearing of its Comrades.

IX. All Comrades throughout the Department desiring information concerning the National Encampment, or on matters concerning our own Department or the welfare of their own Post, or even of a personal nature in connection with our organization, need have no hesitation in commanding the services of the Department Commander or his Assistant Adjutant General.

X. The Harrison County Soldiers' Reunion will be held at Eagleville, Mo., August 31st, September 1st and 2nd. Able speakers will be in attendance, and a most enjoyable time guaranteed to all who attend.

The proceedings of the National Encampment, held at Buffalo, New York, last August, are now published, and in book form. Comrades throughout the Department desiring copies can have same mailed to them by making application to these Headquarters.

By command of

A. G. PETERSON,

JAS. B. WILDE,

Asst. Adjutant General.

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 ROOM 308 TEMPLE BLDG., BROADWAY AND WALNUT ST.
 ST. LOUIS, MO., Sept. 20, 1898.

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No. 5. }

I. The Department Commander takes great pleasure in congratulating the Comrades of this Department upon the good showing made by them at the National Encampment held at Cincinnati, September 5th to 10th.

The soldierly bearing and handsome appearance, and the general good conduct of the Comrades of this Department, made it truthfully said: "The Missouri column is second to none in the G. A. R." The Department Commander takes this occasion to return to the Comrades his heartfelt thanks, and the sincere wish that they may live to attend many Encampments and always make as fine a record. Thanks are due and are hereby tendered to Comrade M. M. Clark, Post No. 131, Agent of the U. S. and Pacific Express Companies for favors extended the Department in expressing to Cincinnati and return to St. Louis free of charge all headquarters effects for use at National Encampment.

The Department is also to be congratulated upon the re-election of Comrade F. M. Sterrett, Post No. 1, as a member of the National Council of Administration. For his efficient services as a member of that organization the Department of Missouri is justly indebted for many favors.

II. The following additional Aide-de-Camp is hereby appointed, and he will enter upon his duties at once: H. D. Winslow, Post 898, Milford, Mo.

III. The Department Commander is exceedingly anxious to have a large number of Aides-de-Camp upon his Staff. Post Commanders who have not yet done so, are again urgently requested to send in at once the name of some Comrade for appointment as such.

A most decided effort will be made this fall and winter to again get back into full membership all worthy suspended and dropped members, and for this purpose a large force of energetic, enthusiastic, hard-working Comrades are wanted as Aides-de-Camp, and if successful in accomplishing the great object we have in view they will receive the plaudits of their fellow Comrades in having accomplished good work.

In a short time a personal letter will be sent each Aide-de-Camp throughout the Department, asking his cordial co-operation in the advancement and building up of our order.

IV. With extreme pleasure the Department Commander notices a revival of interest throughout the Department. Posts that have had their charters annulled have signified their intention of having the same restored. Comrades who have been dropped or suspended are making an effort to again touch elbows with their Comrades as of old.

Dropped Post No. 99, Richmond, Mo., has signified its intention of being restored to full membership, with 80 Comrades on the list.

Post No. 110, Kahoka, Mo., reinstated seven dropped Comrades at one of its late meetings, and the Commander writes that they have five more to reinstate at their next meeting. These reports are extremely gratifying, and it is earnestly hoped the good work thus begun will go forward with undiminished vigor.

Aaron Brokaw Post 208, Neva, Mo., has signified its intention of having its charter restored.

V. While the Department Commander most thoroughly believes in a consolidation of the weaker Posts of the Department into stronger ones, and also that great care should be used in the chartering of new Posts, he has thought it to be the best interests of the Department to grant a charter to the James F. How Post No. 567, at Moberly, Mo., which starts with a membership of 20 Comrades. By special orders from these Headquarters, Comrade H. A. Jaco, Past Post Commander of Abe Lincoln Post No. 5, of Moberly, was appointed Mustering Officer, and performed the duties pertaining to that office in a most satisfactory manner.

VI. Application of L. W. Cooper Post No. 81, Lathrop, Mo., to issue circular asking contributions for relief on behalf of Comrade Hezekiah Hayes of that Post, on account of Comrade Hayes having lost his home and contents by fire, was approved, and authority granted L. W. Cooper Post to issue appeal for the purpose named.

Application of Thomas Welch Post No. 254, Kirbyville, Mo., to issue circular asking contributions for the purpose of employing an attorney to assist in the prosecution of one James Parnell, who foully murdered Comrade Wesley Cotrall of said Post. Application approved and authority granted Thomas Welch Post No. 254 to issue appeal as requested.

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VIII. Old Soldiers' Reunions will be held as follows:

Edina, Mo., September 20, 21, 22; Unionville, Mo., September 27, 28, 29, 30; Middletown, Mo., September 28, 29; Cassville, September 27, 28, 29; Wellsville, Mo., September 21, 22, 23, 24.

IX. Commanders of Posts throughout the Department who have not yet done so, are again urged to send in a list of dropped or suspended members and their post-office address to these Headquarters. This is very important.

The following Posts are still delinquent, having failed up to the present time to send in their per capita tax and reports for the first term of 1898, ending June 30th: 49, 61, 64, 142, 176, 182, 188, 218, 222, 237, 239, 283, 294, 302, 327, 359, 382, 383, 385, 409, 436, 440, 449, 457, 469, 482, 504, 505, 517, 529, 543, 556, 558. These reports must be sent in at once.

October 12th and 13th, 1898, the President of the United States, Comrade Wm. McKinley, will visit Omaha, Neb., to take part in the Peace Jubilee, to be held under the auspices of the Trans-Mississippi and International Exposition, now being held in that city. A very cordial invitation to the Comrades of this Department to be present upon that occasion has been received from Past Commander-in-Chief Comrade T. S. Clarkson, General Manager; and it is sincerely hoped a large number of Comrades will accept the invitation.

The sentence of dishonorable discharge in the case of Wm. Marshall, a member of Post No. 242, and which sentence was imposed by Post court-martial in 1894, has been by the Commander-in-Chief remitted, and said Wm. Marshall is hereby restored to full membership in our Order.

Application of Post No. 398, Walnut Grove, Mo., to remove Headquarters from Walnut Grove to Gulf, Mo., is hereby approved, and authority granted said Post to move as requested.

By command of

A. G. PETERSON,

Dept. Commander.

JAS. B. WILDE,

Ass't Adjutant General.

**HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
ROOM 308 TEMPLE BLDG., BROADWAY AND WALNUT ST.
ST. LOUIS, MO., Nov. 10, 1898.**

**GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 6.**

I. The following additional Aldeas-de-Camp upon the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced, and they will at once enter upon their duties:

Daniel F. Pippenger, Post 36.
Geo. W. Palmer, Post 39.
D. W. Sheideler, Post 63.
A. H. Burkholder, Post 73.
E. E. Kirkpatrick, Post 92.
Jas. H. Simpson, Post 96.
Henry Sheets, Post 160.
B. C. Morehouse, Post 164.
B. B. Caboon, Post 174.
Geo. Withrell, Post 175.

W. L. Ten Brook, Post 180.
J. W. Delventhal, Post 197.
Wm. Comeygs, Post 234.
Wm. H. Menge, Post 276.
H. G. Walrath, Post 377.
T. M. Johnson, Post 430.
Hiram Richardson, Post 488.
David L. Green, Post 514.
J. P. Small, Post 548.
Oliver P. Stidger, Post 567.

II. Post Commanders who have not yet done so, are again urged to send in the name of some Comrade from their Post for appointment as Alde-de-Camp on the Staff of the Department Commander. It is deemed of the utmost importance to have at least one Comrade so appointed from each county in the State. It is the purpose of the Department Commander to wage a most vigorous campaign this winter for the purpose of infusing new life into the Posts throughout the Department, and awaken a renewed interest among the Comrades, so that all Post meetings may be more largely attended, all worthy dropped and suspended members be restored to our ranks, and a general strengthening and up-building of our organization be had, so that when our Annual Encampment be next held a most favorable showing can be made.

III. Post Commanders who have not yet done so, are again requested to send in the names and post office address of all worthy dropped and suspended members of their Posts.

IV. The annual election of officers of the Posts of this Department will be held at the first regular meeting in December of this year.

At the same meeting, as provided by the Rules and Regulations, Posts will elect Representatives to the Department Encampment. Each Post is entitled to one Representative and one Alternate for every fifty members in good standing, and one additional Representative and Alternate for a fraction of more than twenty-five. Posts having less than fifty members are entitled to one Representative and one Alternate. Post Commanders and Past Post Commanders, being ex-officio members of the Encampment, should not be elected as Representatives.

The basis of representation is the number of members in good standing, as shown by the Adjutant's report for the term ending June 30th, 1898. *Posts in arrears for reports or dues are not entitled to representation in the Department Encampment.*

V. In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, the annual inspection of Posts will be made at a regular meeting prior to December 31, 1898.

A new form for such inspection is herewith enclosed, together with an envelope addressed to Comrade Frank Buchanan, Department Inspector, New London, Mo., to whom the Assistant Inspectors should forward reports, properly filled, immediately upon the completion of their duty.

The Senior Past Post Commander present will act as Assistant Inspector. Should no Past Post Commander be present, the Post Commander will detail a suitable Comrade as Assistant Inspector.

VI. Duplicate blanks for Adjutant and Quartermaster's reports for the second term, 1898, are transmitted herewith. The reports for the Department Encampment are compiled from these reports, and as it necessitates a large amount of labor, it is essential that they be filled out and returned to the Assistant Adjutant General at as early a date as possible.

With the blanks are enclosed special instructions. These instructions are not needed by a majority of the Posts, yet there are some Post Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters who appear to be very careless about making their reports, not only on time but in the manner of doing so. Please see that they are sent in as soon after the last meeting in December as it is possible, and not later than January 15th, 1899.

The representation of the Department to the National Encampment is based upon the reports for this term, and it is hoped that they will be as full and complete as possible, and that no Post may be kept from the Department Encampment by reason of not having made their report. It is not sufficient to send in the per capita tax alone; the reports are necessary.

The National Countersign will be sent to each Post Commander upon receipt of the reports due from Adjutant, Quartermaster and Inspector, with the per capita tax due from his Post.

Blanks for newly elected Officers and Delegates to the Department Encampment are also enclosed. These should be filled out as soon as the election is held, and forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General at once. Please remember that unless the list of officers and delegates elected, with names of Past Post Commanders, are received by these Headquarters, such Post can have no representation in the Department Encampment.

Too much care cannot be taken in selecting the officers. The welfare and success of the Post depends largely upon their character

and fitness. Especially is this true of the Commander, Adjutant and Quartermaster; and it is recommended, that when the last two are capable and efficient, that they be retained.

Blanks for Post Surgeon's reports are also enclosed, which should be made out and forwarded to Dr. Ira T. Bronson, Medical Director, Sedalia, Mo., in the envelope herewith for that purpose. Care should be taken to report all deaths since January 1st, 1898, giving their names, age, rank and regiment, or vessel.

VII. The installation of the Post officers will take place at the first regular meeting in January, 1899, and will be conducted by the Senior Past Post Commander present, or such other Comrade as may be detailed by the Department Commander upon the request of the Post Commander.

Under the Rules and Regulations no installation of Post officers can be had until the Post has forwarded all reports, paid its per capita tax, and has been inspected for the previous year.

The Installing Officer will make inquiry, and if he ascertains that all reports, with the per capita tax, have not been forwarded and the Post not inspected, he will defer installation until he has received these reports.

Where it is possible to do so, the Department Commander recommends that public installation be had; and where there is a Woman's Relief Corps or Sons of Veterans, invite them to be present, have interesting exercises and a Camp Fire. This will tend to increase the interest at regular meetings, and will help to bring back those who have lost interest in the Order.

VIII. There seems to be an impression among a great number of Comrades, that dropped members, who desire to be reinstated in their own Post, must make application on the form provided for new members.

The National Encampment at Louisville made liberal provision for reinstating such. All that is necessary for the dropped member to do, is to pay such an amount as may be required by the Post (not to exceed one year's dues), make application, either verbal or written, and be voted upon, viva-voce. If elected by a majority vote, he becomes a member in good standing.

If the dropped member desires to join another Post than the one from which he has been dropped, he must then make application in due form, so that his military record may be on file in the Post which he joins. The admittance fee is not to exceed one year's dues, and to be paid to the Post from which he was dropped.

IX. Friday, October 14th, 1898, the President of the United States, our Comrade Wm. McKinley, visited St. Louis. Upon this occasion the Posts of the city having tendered their services to act as escort to the President, and same being accepted, nine out of the ten Posts of the City of St. Louis were in line in full G. A. R. uniform,

including white gloves and white ties. To these Posts the Department Commander desires to return his sincere thanks, and congratulates them most heartily upon their magnificent appearance and soldierly bearing. Thursday evening, October 27th, 1898, will long be remembered by the Comrades of the Posts of this city. Upon this occasion, Blair, Lyon, Hassendeubel, Harding, Ransom, Miller, Demny, Meuman and Shaw Posts had a reunion at the Coliseum in the Exposition Building. It was the largest turn-out of the Comrades of the Posts of St. Louis ever known in the history of the organization. Past Commander-in-Chief Wm. Warner was the principal orator, and his speech was an effort that will pleasantly dwell in the memory of the Comrades who participated.

X. Richland Post, No. 413, of Ozark, Mo., has surrendered its Charter. This Post has been delinquent since 1895, but not heretofore reported as suspended.

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By command,

JAMES B. WILDE,

Ass't Adjutant General.

A. G. PETERSON,

Dept. Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

ROOM 303 TEMPLE BUILDING, BROADWAY AND WALNUT ST.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 7. }

ST. LOUIS, MO., Jan. 1, 1899.

I. The Department Commander sends to each and every Comrade of the Department of Missouri his compliments, and wishes them "A Happy New Year;" and, in the language of Rip Van Winkle, "long may they live and prosper." Taps have often sounded during the year just past, and many a dear Comrade whom we loved to take by the hand has answered the call of the Great Commander.

The bugle call of "Lights Out" will be more frequently heard during the coming year, and will to a greater extent reduce our numbers; knowing this, let us during this year close up our ranks, doing at all times what we can to encourage a renewed interest in this our noble organization. Let none fall by the way; but, bearing in mind the principles of our order—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty—let every Comrade have that fraternity which shall bind our hearts in closer unity as the days go by; that Charity which shall cause us to look upon the failings of our Comrades as something to which all humanity is liable; and, having that other phase of charity, let it be our privilege to do what we can to relieve the distressed and bring comfort to our more unfortunate Comrades.

That loyalty to "Old Glory," which, in the words of our Comrade, President Wm. McKinley, "never went down in defeat; was never raised in dishonor; which means to-day more than it ever meant in all our history. It floats to-day where it never floated before. Glorious Old Banner! The same our grandfather's lifted up; the same our father's bore. In many a battle it shed the crimson rain, and what God has woven in his loom no man can break in twain." That loyalty which shall inspire us with such love to every one that followed "Old Glory" from '61 to '65; that our greatest pleasure shall be the society, welfare and prosperity of our Comrades and our Post.

Let us again renew our allegiance to the Grand Army, and firmly resolve to make this our most prosperous year.

Let us increase the number of Camp-Fires; let them burn brightly in the heart of every Comrade, and encourage each other by a faithful attendance at our Post meetings.

Let the Officers meet together frequently to discuss ways and means to make the Post meetings entertaining. Let every Comrade consider himself detailed for "Picket Duty," to guard against the enemies—discord, apathy and discontent—and the Department of Missouri will have a most glorious record for the year 1899.

II. The Department Commander would suggest that every Post appoint at once a permanent committee on dropped and suspended members, to serve during the year, and see that this committee visits every dropped and suspended member, urging them to return to the Post. Make the fee for the return of dropped members as light as possible, bearing in mind that the National Encampment at Louisville amended the Rules and Regulations so that a dropped member can be reinstated by making application and not paying more than one year's dues (see Sec. 4, Article IV., Chapter 5, Rules and Regulations), and to be voted upon *vice voce*. If elected by a majority vote of those present at the meeting, he becomes a member in good standing. This liberal provision allows a Post to charge as small an amount as they may deem best.

III. It is exceedingly gratifying to note that a large number of Posts have shown increased interest; one small Post reports that they have reinstated eight old Comrades and mustered in four new members within the past two months. A new Post has been formed at Everton, Dade Co., under very favorable auspices. This is but an indication of what is being done.

To further increase an interest in our order throughout the department, the Department Commander offers a suggestion that he believes will be beneficial to a great many Posts. Each Post to form an auxiliary association, to be known as Post No. ———, Associates, and to be composed of citizens who are in sympathy with the Veterans in their work of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, and who desire to promote with their influence and support the welfare of the Veterans

of the war; upon the payment of a small fee they to become associate members, participating in all camp-fires, social meetings and anniversaries. To explain more fully the objects of said association, herewith are enclosed documents and blank forms as samples, which it is hoped will aid the Comrades in more fully comprehending the suggestions made.

IV. With this order is inclosed the National Countersign to all Post Commanders whose Posts have sent in reports and per capita tax due.

V. The following additional Aides-de-Camp are hereby appointed and will at once enter upon their duties:

Jas. L. Martin, Post 232.

Frank Hill, Post 16.

H. O. Owens, Post 25.

W. S. Wybark, Post 192.

Edward Murphy, Post 304.

E. V. LaFoon, Post 362.

VI. It is with exceeding deep sorrow that the Department Commander announces the death of Comrade E. J. Smith, of Geo. R. Smith Post, No. 53, Sedalia, Mo., who died December 5th, 1898, at 7:05 A.M. As Adjutant and Post Commander of his own Post, as Junlor and Senior Vice Department Commander, and as Judge Advocate of the Department, and by his zeal and fidelity as a Comrade of our organization, he has won for himself an enviable reputation. His genial presence will be missed in his own Post and all future Department Encampments, and his death will be sincerely mourned by his friends and Comrades.

Permission has been granted S. L. Turley Post, No. 22, to move its headquarters from Bancroft to Melbourne.

VII. Permission has been granted Isaac Clevenger Post, No. 211, to move its headquarters from Excelsior Springs to a point about four miles in the country near there.

VIII. Stewart L. Bell Post, No. 543, of Festus, Mo., has surrendered its charter.

IX. A new charter has been granted to Austin Hubbard Post, No. 194, to replace original, destroyed by fire.

X. Authority has been granted John S. Phelps Post, No. 277, of St. James, Mo., to circulate throughout the Department an appeal to the Comrades for the purpose of raising money to pay a balance due from a few Comrades of said Post as final payment due on the Soldiers' Home at St. James, Mo.

XI. *The National Tribune*, of Washington, D. C., desires the names and addresses of the secretaries of the different regimental associations of the State, for the purpose of compiling a roster of survivors of the different Missouri commands.

XII. The Department Commander has learned with regret that one of the Posts of this Department has, in violation of the Rules and Regulations, dispensed with the holding of the meetings of the Post during certain months of the year. For the purpose of bringing this

matter officially before the Posts of this department, so that in the future there shall be no recurrence, the following decision of the Judge Advocate of the Department is hereby published for their guidance:

TRENTON, MO., December 9th, 1898.

MR. A. G. PETERSON, Department Commander G. A. R.,
St. Louis, Missouri:

Dear Commander--Your letter of the 7th inst. is received, in which you state the General John A. Logan Post, No. 304, has for the past three or four years dispensed with the holding of its meetings during the summer months of May, June, July, August and September, and ask my opinion upon the legality of its action.

I have carefully examined our laws, both our printed Rules and Regulations of the year 1898 and the Grand Army Blue Book. So far as I have been able to learn, there has been no decision rendered directly involving the point, but section 1, article 5, of chapter 2, Rules and Regulations, is as follows: "Section 1. The stated meetings of each Post shall be held at least monthly." See also the Grand Army Blue Book of 1895, page 115. The language of this section of our laws is too plain to be misunderstood, and if the Post, either by its By-Laws or a vote of the Post, dispenses with meeting for more than one month at a time, they do it in direct violation of the laws of our order. If they have a By-Law authorizing the dispensing of regular meetings for more than one month, such By-Law is illegal and void. If such violation is persisted in after proper and timely admonition, in my opinion it would be the duty of the Department Commander, after having his attention called to the fact, to arrest the charter of such Post, however painful or unpleasant.

Yours in F., C. and L.,
GEO. HALL, Judge Advocate.

XIII. The Legislature of this State, which will meet in biennial session beginning January 2d. will be asked to pass a law making it a criminal offense for any person to wear the Grand Army badge or button who is not entitled to same by being a member of our organization. As soon as this measure is introduced it is hoped that each Post throughout the Department will at once take up the matter, pass resolutions at their Post meetings indorsing same, and send them to the members of the Legislature of their respective localities. For the past sixty days the Department Commander has been gathering statistics in relation to this matter. Out of the forty-five departments throughout the United States, fully forty departments have such a law on their statute books, and the Commanders of these departments are enthusiastic in its praises.

XIV. It is desired to know, at as early a date as possible, how many indigent old soldiers who, with or without wives, are now living in this Department, would, if they could, be admitted into the Soldiers' Home at St. James. It is, therefore, requested that each Post Commander will ascertain how many of this class are living in their locality, and send a list of them to these headquarters.

It is very important that we should have this information at once,

for use before the Committee on Soldiers' Homes in the coming Legislature, and it is hoped that every Post Commander will consider it his duty to attend to it.

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By Command,

JAMES B. WILDE,

Ass't Adjutant General.

A. G. PETERSON,

Dept. Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,

308 TEMPLE BUILDING, BROADWAY AND WALNUT ST.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 8. }

ST. LOUIS, MO., Feb. 18, 1899.

The Eighteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Missouri will be held in the beautiful city of Kirksville on the 11th and 12th days of May, 1899.

The city of Kirksville is situated on the great divide between the Father of Waters and the Mighty Missouri, equi-distant from each. It is the seat of the State Normal School of North Missouri, and the great Osteopathic Colleges. It has 1,500 students who come from all parts of the country. It is situated upon historic grounds, being the site of the noted battles of the State, where McNeil broke the power of the Confederacy in North Missouri. The people of Kirksville will treat the members of the Grand Army as their honored guests, and while they are there they will certainly know that they are not in an enemy's country; that the people are loyal, being Grand Army people, and will do all in their power to make the visit of our Comrades, their wives and friends, a most memorable event.

II. The Officers of the Department and the Council of Administration will meet on the 10th inst., at 10 o'clock A.M., at Central Hotel.

The Department Commander, accompanied by the Assistant Adjutant General and Comrade Wm. Lowe, of Warrensburg, paid a visit to Kirksville on Saturday, February 4th, and completed all arrangements.

III. The Headquarters of the Department will be at the Central Hotel, where also rooms have been engaged for headquarters of the W. R. C.

IV. Parties throughout the Department desiring to secure rooms in advance should at once address their communications to T. J. Dockery, Chairman of Committee of Arrangements; also Mayor of Kirksville.

V. HOTEL RATES—*Per Day*—Willard, \$2.00; Central, \$1.50; Sill, \$2.00; Oxford, \$1.00; Occidental, \$1.00; New Florence, \$1.00; Glasgow, \$1.00; Llewellyn, \$1.00.

Good boarding houses in all parts of the town, and private houses will be open to all.

VI. Railroad rates have been agreed upon, and will be one fare for the round trip.

VII. The Encampment will be held in the Opera House.

VIII. The following additional Aides have been appointed and will enter upon their duties at once:

Thos. H. Logan, Post 12. E. B. Taylor, Post 75.
 Jas. M. Pate, Post 386. Fred. R. Smith, Post 546.

IX. Everton Post, No. 568, of Everton, was mustered on January 6th last, with 18 members, by Comrade John A. Davis, Aide-de-Camp.

X. New charters have been granted to H. C. Gilbert Post, No. 160, and Warren Post, No. 287, the originals having been destroyed by fire.

XI. DeKalb Post, No. 456, and John Whalen Post, No. 459, of St. Joseph, have surrendered their charters.

XII. Quite an increased interest has been shown throughout the Department of late. Several Posts have increased their memberships by reinstating dropped and suspended members. McKee Post, No. 110, with 54 members, has gained 10; Salem Post, No. 128, has reinstated quite a number, and the same can be said of quite a number of other Posts in the Department—for instance:

Col. Forbes	Post, No. 38,	La Plata,	with 17 members,	reinstated	6
Christian Meyer	" " 45,	Oregon,	" 29	" "	7
Jacob Smith	" " 72,	Trenton,	" 43	" "	13
Wm. McKee	" " 110,	Kahoka,	" 44	" "	8
Seneca	" " 175,	Seneca,	" 37	" "	8
U. S. Grant	" " 236,	Lincoln,	" 9	" "	6
Col. Lennard	" " 251,	El DoradoSp	" 43	" "	13
Warren	" " 287,	Rockville,	" 16	" "	7
Sergt. Mabrey	" " 354,	Chaonia,	" 6	" "	5
Capt. T. Walker	" " 379,	Leora,	" 31	" "	4
Col. Brownlow	" " 458,	Plew,	" 12	" "	5

Corporal Dix Post, No. 22, of Kirksville, has so much work of late that they are holding meetings each week, and are mustering in at nearly every meeting.

XIII. The Department Commander is glad to inform the Comrades that a bill has been introduced in the House of Representatives at Jefferson City, prohibiting the wearing of buttons, badges or other emblems by persons not authorized to do so. The bill is House Bill No. 212, introduced by Hon. Homer Hall, the son of Comrade Geo. Hall, Judge Advocate of the Department. As, under the Constitution of the State, no special legislation is allowed, this bill is made general, and covers all societies, and is as follows:

"SECTION 1. Every person who shall willfully wear any button, badge, pin or other emblem of any secret society, lodge or organization, or shall wear or use the same for the purpose of obtaining money, aid, assistance or other valuable thing, within this State, unless he

shall be entitled to use or wear the same under the constitution, by-laws, rules and regulations of the secret society, lodge or organization whose button, badge, pin or other emblem he uses or wears, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding thirty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment."

Every Comrade of the Department is requested to use all the influence he can in advancing the passage of this bill. Write to your Representative and Senator, and try to get your friends of other organizations to do likewise.

XIV. Comrades and their friends who went to the National Encampment at Cincinnati on the official train, and have not yet received the rebate on their railroad fare as promised, are requested to communicate with these Headquarters at once to secure same.

XV. A large number of the Posts have not yet sent in their reports for the last term of 1898. It is necessary that they should be sent in at once, that the Department may make its returns to the National Headquarters. Delinquent Posts will find enclosed a slip calling their special attention to this, and it is hoped, for the honor of the Department, that these Posts forward these reports at once, with the per capita tax due.

XVI. The proceedings, findings and sentence in the case of Lamar Hood, tried by Post Court Martial, by S. A. Hurlburt Post, No. 32, having been disapproved by the Department Commander, Comrade Lamar Hood will be restored to full membership in the Grand Army.

The proceedings, findings and sentence in the case of O. F. Carpenter, tried by Post Court Martial, by Geo. W. Murphy Post, No. 525, having been disapproved by the Department Commander, January 23, 1899, Comrade O. F. Carpenter is hereby restored to full membership in the Grand Army.

XVII. R. L. Ferguson Post, No. 358, has changed the date of its meetings from 1st and 3d Saturdays of each month to 2d and 4th Saturdays of each month. The same has been approved by the Department Commander.

General Simon Cameron Post, No. 437, has changed the date of its meetings from twice each month to the 1st Saturday of each month at 1 o'clock P.M., and it has been approved by the Department Commander.

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XIX. Gen. James A. Sexton, late Commander-in-Chief, had notified these headquarters that he would be with us at our Annual Encampment at Kirksville, but it now becomes the sad duty of the Department Commander to announce the death of Comrade Sexton. He died in Washington, D. C., on Sunday, February 5, 1899. In the death of Comrade Sexton the Grand Army has lost one of its valued members. He was ever one of the most enthusiastic and faithful of our order.

In compliance with orders from National Headquarters, Post Headquarters and Colors will be draped in mourning for the space of 60 days from the date of his death. Department and Post officers will wear the usual badge of mourning for the same space of time.

As soon as the successor of the late Comrade Sexton has been elected, he will be communicated with and earnestly requested to honor our Department Encampment with his presence.

XX. In General Orders No. 7, Section III, dated January 1st, the Department Commander suggested the advisability of forming associate memberships in each Post throughout the Department. He felt convinced great good could be accomplished in the formation of these auxiliary associations. Some of the Departments in the Eastern, Middle and New England States have such bodies under the names of Contributing or Citizens Corps. A large number of the Posts throughout this Department have acted favorably upon the suggestion. Since the issuance of General Orders No. 7 there has arisen in the mind of the Department Commander a question as to the legality of such a course. The matter was referred to the Department Judge Advocate for his official opinion, and the same is hereby published for the guidance of the Comrades:

OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE, TRENTON, MO. Feb. 11, 1899.

MR. A. G. PETERSON, Dep't Commander, St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Commander:—You ask my opinion as to the legality of auxiliary associations to Grand Army Posts, composed of persons not eligible to membership in our order. I have looked this matter up with some care and find no law authorizing the same. In fact, decision No. 3, page 17, of the Grand Army Blue Book holds such an organization is unauthorized and illegal. While I think the organization you propose as outlined might be of great benefit to the order in many instances, I fear the action of the Department in that respect would be condemned without some additional legislation. I think it would be well for our Department to request the National Encampment to amend our laws so as to authorize the same.

Respectfully yours in F., C. & L.,

GEO. HALL, Judge Advocate.

Under these circumstances it would be well for all Posts to hold the matter in abeyance until such time as legislation can be enacted as will legally authorize the formation of such associates.

By Command,

JAMES B. WILDE.

Ass't Adjutant General.

A. G. PETERSON,

Dept. Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
303 TEMPLE BUILDING, BROADWAY AND WALNUT ST.,
ST. LOUIS, MO., April 18, 1899.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 9. }

I. In general orders No. 8, the announcement was made that the Eighteenth Annual Encampment would be held at Kirksville, on the 11th and 12th of May, 1899. These dates are now confirmed.

II. The Headquarters of the Department, as well as the Headquarters of the Woman's Relief Corps and the Ladies of the Grand Army will be established at the Central Hotel.

The Council of Administration will meet at the Headquarters at 2 o'clock P.M., on Wednesday, the 10th day of May, 1899.

The Encampment will be called to order at 10:30 A.M., on Thursday, May 11th, and continue in session from hour to hour, at the will of the Encampment, until its business is concluded.

The Committee on Credentials will meet at the Central Hotel prepared to furnish badges to all entitled to seats in the Encampment, from 4 to 10:30 P.M. on Wednesday, the 10th of May, and from 7 to 10:30 A.M. on Thursday, the 11th of May. The Comrades entitled to seats must present their credentials to this Committee shortly after their arrival in Kirksville.

III. The Department Register will be open to all visiting Comrades, and they are most cordially invited to call at Headquarters and register their names. The detail in charge of the Register will be made in later orders.

The Commander of Corporal Dix Post, No. 22, will detail suitable Comrades to act as Officer of the Day, Officer of the Guard, and proper guards for duty during the Encampment. The officers above mentioned will report to the Assistant Adjutant General at Headquarters, 7 P.M. on Wednesday, May 10th, 1899.

IV. All railroads in the State of Missouri have agreed upon a one rate for the round trip to and from Kirksville. Comrades intending to go to Kirksville will do well to call on the railroad agent of their city or town a few days before their departure to make doubly sure that this agreement will be carried out. The Comrades will also bear in mind this agreement covers all Comrades of the G. A. R., the W. R. C., the Sons of Veterans, the Ladies of the G. A. R., and all their friends.

V. The Department Commander is authorized by the Committee of Arrangements of Kirksville to state that every effort is being made for the comfort, convenience and pleasure of all visitors, to surpass the efforts of all past Department Encampments.

Comrades are again reminded that it would be well for them to at once notify Comrade T. J. Dockery, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, of Kirksville, of their intended visit, so that accommodations can be secured for them in time.

VI. The printed proceedings of the Thirty-Second National Encampment, held at Cincinnati, are now at the headquarters of the Department, and will be mailed to all Posts desiring copies. Application must be made at once. Copies can also be had at Kirksville.

VII. The Department Commander would refer the Post Commanders throughout the Department to the necessity of at once filling out the enclosed postal card, showing the net gain or loss of their respective Posts between December 31st, 1898, and April 10th, 1899. It is of the utmost importance that this be done at once, as it is desired to incorporate this information in the report of the Department Commander to the Department Encampment to be held at Kirksville.

The following Posts are delinquent for the Second Term 1898, and must forward their reports and per capita tax at once: 49, 51, 59, 109, 111, 137, 146, 176, 184, 218, 224, 250, 253, 258, 286, 291, 296, 305, 393, 398, 411, 436, 449, 479, 495, 520, 539, 553, 556, 559, 565.

Posts not having sent in their reports with per capita tax, can have no representation in the Department Encampment.

The following additional Aide has been appointed; he will enter upon his duties at once: Wesley R. Wilson, Post No. 440, Foster.

Post No. 552 at Baxter, and Post No. 555 at Ulrich, have surrendered their charters.

A new Post has been started at Lowry City, and was mustered March 10th, with 22 members. It was given the number of the old Post at that place, 238.

The action of Post 97, in voting to hold their meetings alternately in Linn and Bonnett's Mills, is hereby approved.

The General Relief Committee of St. Louis, composed of representatives from the city Posts, has done a grand work in aiding Comrades and other old soldiers passing through that city. Last year they expended \$259.65, giving aid to 114 old soldiers.

Comrades are cautioned against one Wm. B. Maxon, who represents himself as having been a corporal of Co. E, 158th New York Infantry. There is no such name on the rolls of that company.

The attention of Posts and Comrades is called to Par. II., G. O. No. 6, National Headquarters, in relation to Memorial Day in the "South-land." It is to be hoped that Posts and Comrades will contribute liberally to this cause, and keep up the well-known reputation of this Department.

The Department Commander is pleased to report that Custer Post No. 7, of St. Joseph, has made a net gain of 21 since January 1st. Other Posts in the Department report renewed awakening.

By Command,

JAMES B. WILDE,

Ass't Adjutant General.

A. G. PETERSON,

Dept. Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
303 TEMPLE BUILDING, BROADWAY AND WALNUT ST.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No. 10.

St. Louis, Mo., May 1, 1899.

I. The Comrades and their friends of Kirksville are very enthusiastic over the coming Eighteenth Annual Encampment of this Department, and are working to make this the best encampment that has been held in the State.

The citizens are taking as much interest in it as are the Comrades of Corporal Dix Post, No. 22. In an able editorial of the *Kirksville Journal* it says, among other interesting statements:

“That Kirksville people have forgotten the animosities engendered by the great civil strife, and only remember the glories, the heroisms and devotion to country and flag that has made possible the splendid outpouring of patriotism that has glorified our country during the past year and taught the world that the great States of this magnificent Union, North and South, are united as they never were before, and that the red fires of the battles of the sixties have welded them together as one in love of their reunited country and its glorious principles. They are learning that Kirksville has now its opportunity to make its name a pleasant memory all over the State, a memory that should have its influence for years and give it friends in every hamlet of this imperial State. Kirksville is determined to do its full duty.”

With the citizens so generously endorsing the work of the Comrades of Kirksville, we may be assured of a most cordial welcome, and I sincerely hope that every present and Past Post Commander, with every Delegate, will feel the necessity of making great sacrifice, if this is necessary, that they may attend the encampment, enjoying the hospitality of the city while doing their duty to their Post and the Department.

All Comrades in the State are doubtless aware of the terrible tornado which passed through Kirksville on the evening of Thursday, April 27th, causing the loss of many lives and the destruction of a large amount of property. The Department Commander at once telegraphed our Comrades at Kirksville, tendering sympathy and aid, and asking if they desired that the Encampment be held elsewhere. Commander Seaber, Commander of Corporal Dix Post No. 52, telegraphed in answer as follows: “Kirksville stands by her guns; cast down, but not dismayed.”

II. The following Comrades are hereby appointed a Committee on Credentials for the Kirksville Encampment, and will report to the Assistant Adjutant General on Wednesday, May 10, at 3 P. M., at the Central Hotel:

H. G. Orton, Post No. 79.	Martin Scherer, Post. No. 13.
J. W. Truxell, Post No. 53.	Alex. McCandless, Post No. 5.
Joseph L. Nichols, Post No. 72.	

III. Each Delegate must apply in person to the Committee on

Credentials for his badge; Alternates will not receive badges, except the Delegate they represent is absent. Past Post Commanders cannot be represented by proxies.

IV. The railroads in the State have issued orders to sell round trip tickets to Kirksville at one fare for the round trip. On sale May 9th to 11th. Good returning to include May 13th. Delegates and others going to the encampment should at once see their railroad agent to make sure they have received proper instructions. If any Comrade finds that no arrangements have been made at their station, they should at once communicate with these Headquarters.

V. The request of Ellsworth Post, No. 13, Grant City, to change the date of its meeting from every Saturday to the first and third Saturdays of each month, is hereby approved.

VII. In the case of the court martial of Comrade J. S. Matlock, by Post court martial convened by Capt. John Matthews Post No. 69, of Springfield, April 12th, 1898, wherein the court found him guilty of conduct unbecoming a comrade and a gentleman, and sentenced him to be dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic, the sentence is hereby approved.

VIII. At the request of the Commissioner of Pensions, the following is published for the information of the Comrades of this Department:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 2, 1899.

Sir: The Secretary of the Interior has ordered that Frederick W. Fout, Jr., of St. Louis, Mo., be not recognized after this date as agent or attorney in the prosecution of any claim or other matter before this Department or any Bureau thereof. Very respectfully,

EDWARD M. DAWSON, *Chief Clerk.*

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WASHINGTON, D. C., February 2, 1899.

Sir: The Secretary of the Interior has ordered that Claude R. Crandall, of St. Louis, Mo., be not recognized after this date as agent or attorney in the prosecution of any claim or other matter before this Department or any Bureau thereof. Very respectfully,

EDWARD M. DAWSON, *Chief Clerk.*

By command,

JAS. B. WILDE.

Ass't Adjutant General.

A. G. PETERSON,

Dept. Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI,
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC,
 303 TEMPLE BUILDING.

GENERAL ORDER }
 No. 11. }

ST. LOUIS, MO., May 1, 1899.

Comrades: For the last thirty years we have, on the 30th day of each May, gathered together and marched with solemn tread to strew flowers upon the final resting place of our beloved dead. Each year has awakened a greater interest in this beautiful ceremony.

"Memorial Day" is now indeed a time when a grateful people of this great nation vie with each other in honoring the memories of those who died that the nation might live, showing to the survivors of that great struggle that the people are grateful and do honor to those who dared death in its defense, and whose sacrifices and brave deeds are told in song and story to the rising generation, that they, too, may learn to love our country and "Old Glory," the glorious "Stars and Stripes," which on this Memorial Day waves over every Union soldier's and sailor's grave in this broad land.

The Department Commander hopes that Posts in making arrangements for Memorial Day will include attendance upon some form of divine worship upon the preceding Sabbath—arrange to have some pastor preach a special sermon on that day and have the Post attend in a body, and if possible in uniforms with badges and Post colors, as a fitting prelude to the services on Memorial Day.

As far as practicable, have the schools in your locality hold patriotic services on Friday afternoon preceding this day.

Each year increases the number whose remains we follow in sorrow to their last resting place. As we place our tokens of love upon their coffins may it be an incentive to a closer unity among us who remain.

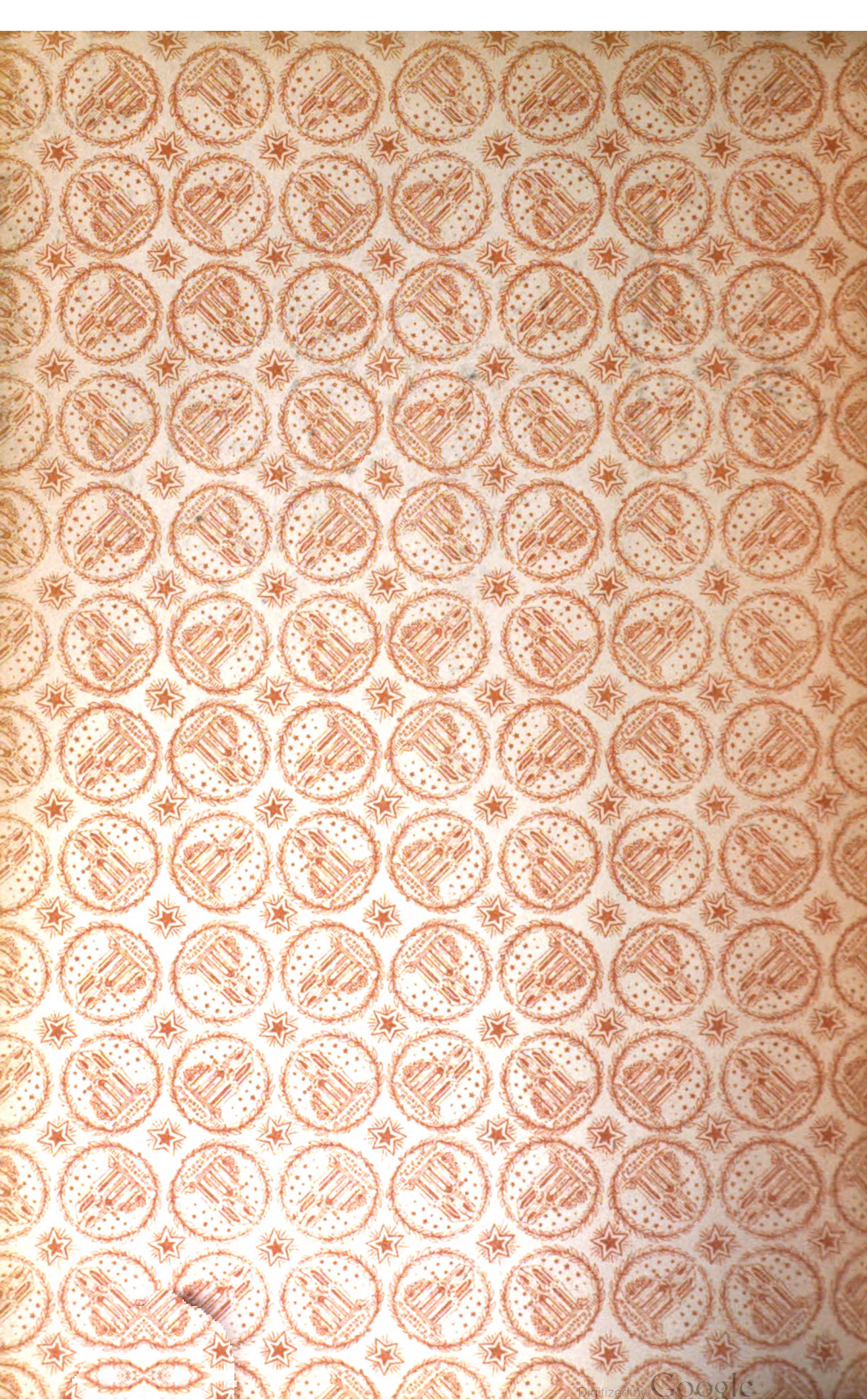
Comrades, let us all enter earnestly into the celebration of Memorial Day. "Fall in" with your Post with "flowers and tears for the dead and cheers and smiles for the living." The larger part of our army has passed beyond the river, charged the heights, and are at rest in the eternal camping ground.

"Cover them over with beautiful flowers,
 Deck them with garlands, these brothers of ours,
 Lying so silently by night and by day,
 Sleeping the years of their manhood away.
 Give them the meed they have won in the past;
 Give them the honor their future forecast;
 Give them the chaplets they won in the strife;
 Give them the laurels they lost with their life."

By order of

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