

THE GRAND ARMY.

What is Being Done by the Veterans for the Good of the Order.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

Free Quarters—Hotels—Horses and Music. Rates—Ladies—Railroad Rates—Mail. Official Book.

Information received by the Citizens' Executive Board up to date points to an exceedingly large attendance on the part of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic at the National Encampment to be held in Pittsburg, Sept. 10 to 15 next.

The arrangements for the comfort and entertainment of the members of the Grand Army, without regard to age, are being made under the belief that the attendance will be larger than has ever been witnessed at any former meeting of the National Encampment.

Free quarters in school-houses and other buildings will be furnished for organized bodies of the Grand Army up to Aug. 15, at which time all applications must be received for consideration.

Hotels will be placed in the free quarters, but blankets must be provided for the occupants.

Do not over-estimate the number coming to the Encampment, and for whom free quarters are desired. By so doing you may prevent others from being comfortably located.

By Aug. 15 a revised list of the number previously reported must be made to Headquarters of the Board.

Posts and organized bodies applying for free quarters should designate the railroad over which they will travel, and the time of their arrival.

This information is necessary, to save long marches to quarters, the depots of the several lines entering the city being widely separated.

Women will not be admitted to free quarters. This rule will be rigidly adhered to.

Hotel rates range from \$1.50 to \$5 per day, and all arrangements are made direct with guests.

Lodgings in private houses range from 50 cents to \$1.50 per night for each person. Avoid delay in securing the kind of accommodations desired.

Organizations which have been organized during the Encampment can secure places of meeting by addressing W. J. Patterson, Chairman of the Committee on Reunions, 111 Fourth Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

Mrs. Charles F. Sherrill, Chairman of the Committee on Entertainment of Ladies, 21 Keell street, Allegheny, Pa., is prepared to furnish all information bearing upon the duties of that Committee.

One fare for the round trip has been named as the rate on the railroad lines reaching this city from the East, while the lines entering the city from the West charge a fixed rate from given points ranging from one fare for the round trip to one cent a mile.

In order to assure prompt delivery of mail matter a memorandum of the location of posts and individuals in the city should be left with friends at home. This is important and should not be neglected.

The following paragraph is submitted with the approval of Commander-in-Chief Adams: "The Official Book of the 28th National Encampment will contain: A history of the G. A. R., with photographs of the Commander-in-Chief and staff; the program of the Encampment; the route of posts and Headquarters; route of parades; official orders and all information pertaining to the Encampment, together with a history of the City of Pittsburg, bearing on the G. A. R., and will be ready for distribution Aug. 15 next, at the nominal cost of 10 cents each.

Should you desire any of these books, the same may be had by sending a fixed rate from given points ranging from one fare for the round trip to one cent a mile.

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

CONNECTICUT. Burpee Post, 71, Rockville—Com., Charles W. Wood; S. V. C., W. J. Noy; J. V. C., Levert, S. C. V. C., Wm. H. Loomis; J. M. L., Phelpsburg, W. H. E. Noy; Chap., Charles W. Wood; Q. D., E. E. Ellis; J. M. G., George A. Messer; S. M., J. H. Newell; Q. M., S. G. N. Brigham.

INDIANA. Andrew Fite, a committee from Sanderson Post, 191, New Albany, investigated and found five old soldiers in the County Poor asylum, and two widows of soldiers; also 56 families of soldiers are patronized by the Township Trustee of this Township.

IOWA. E. H. Keyes Post, 511, Mingo—Com., J. H. Smith; S. V. C., E. M. Streeter; J. V. C., Wm. M. Boyd; Chap., A. Whitehead; J. M. G., W. A. York; Q. D., A. D. Adams.

KANSAS. The Ottawa Chautauque Assembly has set apart the 21st day of June for the use of the Grand Army of the Republic. All comrades of the Grand Army are invited to be present. The program for the morning will consist of a grand concert of war songs, and speaking from the platform of the Grand Army of the Republic.

MINNESOTA. The annual Encampment of Minnesota will be held at Monticello, June 13 and 14. The rate of one and one-third fare for the round-trip, on the certificate plan, has been secured only on condition of there being 100 in attendance.

MISSOURI. An enjoyable Campfire was given by Post 274, Chicago, May 23, which was largely attended by friends.

NEW JERSEY. Division Headquarters will be established at the Merchants, where the Division Council and staff will report at 10:30 o'clock, Wednesday morning, the 13th.

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