NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

Progress of the Preparations for the Coming Grand Reunion.

THE BADGES.

The Committee on Badges has furnished all the designs, except that of the souvenir badge, which will be delayed as long as possible to prevent counterfeiting. There will be over 1,300 of these prepared, and they will first be worn on Wednesday morning of Encampment week, when the delegates appear in the Convention. They will be furnished to each accredited delegate and to each State and National Commander and Past Commander. They will admit the wearers into the Convention Hall. The metal parts of all badges and souvenirs are to be of the metal of the historic cannon given by Congress for this purpose.

More than 1,500 badges will be required for members of the Citizens' Executive Board. These will consist of a big orange ribbon suitably inscribed, and will be secured with a pin, a miniature of the gun from which the metal is taken. The members of the Executive Board are supposed to be on hand to give information to all inquirers, and their badges have been made very conspicuous on this account.

The badges for the different women's associations, of which about 1,000 will be required, consist of a metal bar and pendant, with ribbon.

The members of the press will receive 400 badges.

For the Ex-Prisoners of War 125 badges have been manufactured.

The Naval Veterans will be furnished badges to the number of 227.

To the Hospital Corps 50 badges will be given.

Besides the badges to be distributed by the committee, there will be a number of others given out by the local Posts. These will also be made of the gun metal and under the direction of the Badge Committee. Post 128 will distribute 1,000 badges made in the shape of a keystone to the friends of the members. Post 88 will distribute as many more, but the design has not yet been chosen. The committee has also furnished to the Pennsylvania Naval Reserve Association metal for 800 badges, which will consist of bars and pins attached to ribbons suitably inscribed.

It has been determined by the Badge Committee to have manufactured and placed on sale over 13,000 mementos of various designs, the largest being in the form of a souvenir spoon. These will be made of historic cannon. The price will be from 10 to 75 cents.

WORK OF THE COUNCIL.

At the meeting of the Executive Council Friday many matters of importance were taken up and acted upon. A request from the Committee on Parade for $250 to be used in bringing boys from the Jumonville Soldiers' Orphans' Home to Pittsburg was granted.

A sub-committee was appointed to confer with the railroads and endeavor to have them change the orders so as to place tickets from points within 75 miles on sale before the day of the parade. The committee believes that under the present arrangements many of the comrades will be unable to reach the city in time to participate in the parade. It is desired that the ticket may be used on Sept. 10.

The Committee on Invitation and Reception was authorized to employ a clerk to revise the invitation list, which now includes 8,500 names, so as to reduce this number to 5,000. It was decided that neither the Executive Council nor the Citizens' Executive Board should be invited as a whole, but only such members of the Citizens' Executive Board as have provided themselves with the official lapel button will be provided. The only committee of the Executive Board to be invited as a whole is that on Invitation and Reception, which will have charge of the affair. Of course, the delegates to the Encampment proper and to the various women's organizations will be asked, as will be the local, Federal, and State officials, the heads of the Departments of the two cities and representatives of the press and such persons of distinction as may be in the city.

To the Ex-Prisoners of War was given $335 to defray expenses of the Campfire and parade. The Committee on Badges was directed to furnish 100 badges to the National Association of War Musicians. It was also directed to permit none of the souvenirs from the historic cannon to be sold before Sept. 1. The request of Post 157 that 200 badges be made for it at the expense of the Post was granted.

The weekly statement of the Committee on Finance showed that $53,799 had been paid in thus far on account of subscriptions to the Encampment fund. The warrants drawn aggregate $6,032.33. The outstanding contracts amount to $45,058. Since the last meeting of the Executive Council there has been $5,361 subscribed to the fund, and $7,821 collected.

The Committee on Accommodations reported free quarters to the number of 26,987 assigned, with 662 pending. The committee was authorized to expend $100 for telephone service in connection with the Bureau of Information.

ENTERTAINMENT.

The Committee on Invitations and Receptions has three clerks engaged upon the task of arranging the lists for invitations to the dinner at East Pittsburg on the evening of Sept. 12 in the new Westinghouse buildings. There are to be invitations issued which will embrace 5,000 persons, and the task of arranging a list which will have no duplications, and at the same time include all persons within the limits fixed by the committee, with the approval of the Executive Council, has already consumed several weeks' work.

Among the features of Encampment week will be the social events. These will include an "outing" on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the mammoth Westinghouse buildings, East Pittsburg, for which 5,000 invitations will be issued. It will take 10 or 12 special trains to carry the guests and two or three cars to transport the refreshments. On the evening of Sept. 13 there will be a reception by the women's organizations at Old City Hall, for which 2,000 invitations are out. The same evening there will be a special display of fireworks from floats on the Monongahela River, such as has never before been seen in western Pennsylvania. On Friday afternoon, Sept. 14, 3,000 representatives and invited guests will be treated to a river excursion, for which three steamers have been chartered and as many bands. The great Carnegie armor plate plant will be visited by the entire party.

EX-PRISONERS.

The Union ex-Prisoners of War Committee was in session on the 16th. Notification was received from Capt. A. C. Hunt, of Battery B, that that organization would turn out if the National Guard did on the occasion of the ex-prisoners parade on Sept. 12, provided horses were furnished by the committee. It was decided to engage the Columbus Grove (O.) Quartet for the Campfire. The committee will also, at its own expense, endeavor to induce John W. January, of Dell Rapids, S. D., who, while in the Florence rebel prison, amputated his own feet, to come to Pittsburg to speak at the Campfire. Other speakers upon this occasion will be Gen. Powell, of Belleville, Ill.; I. N. Walker, of Indianapolis; Judge J. H. Longnecker, of Bedford, and Judge Harry White, of Indiana, Pa.

It is proposed to erect a fac-simile of Andersonville Prison and have ex-prisoners there dressed as they were in time of war. This scheme was fully discussed at the meeting of the Association last week, and although many were opposed to it, arrangements for erecting the structure will probably begin soon.

Maj. John Hancock has been chosen Chief Marshal for the Ex-Prisoners of War parade.

WILL ATTEND.

The Department of Indiana has requested and been assigned to the basement of the Carnegie Library, Allegheny, for quarters for 500 comrades. This, in addition to School No. 4, already assigned, will, it is thought, be sufficient for the Hoosier comrades.

It is proposed to bring a number of boys from the Soldiers' Orphans' Home to act as escort to the battle-flags, which will be carried by Post 1, of Philadelphia.

W. N. Eaton, Assistant Adjutant-General, Department of Virginia and North Carolina, writes that 15 white and 18 colored comrades from that Department will want free quarters, and 57 white comrades have arranged for their own quarters.

The Committee on Accommodations has received word that the Clarion County Battalion will attend in a body, from 200 to 225 strong. It will be made up from the Posts at Knox, Clarion, Piolett, Foxburg, New Bethlehem, Rimersburg, East Brady, Sligo, Strattonville, St. Petersburg, Shippenville, Limestone, and Tylersburg. V. Phipps has been elected Colonel of the battalion; J. J. Frazier, Lieutenant-Colnel; J. Z. Brown, Major.

THE ATTENDANCE.

It is the general belief among Pittsburg comrades and those having charge of the arrangements for the Encampment, that the attendance will be much larger than at any former meeting. The reasons for this belief are that all G.A.R. men are now reaching the age where the weight of years become a serious burden, and the time is rapidly approaching when they will not enjoy a long trip. Second, it is extremely probable that this may be the last Encampment where the old soldiers will parade, which, of course, will seriously affect the attractiveness of the Encampment, especially so far as the wives and children of the veterans are concerned. Thousands of the old soldiers want their children to carry in their memories in the years to come the picture of their fathers marching in the ranks shoulder to shoulder with the comrades with whom they fought so bravely in the early sixties.

DECORATIONS.

The Western Electric Company has been awarded the contract to furnish an electric-light display, consisting of a G.A.R. badge of 400 16-candle-power lamps, at $650; an American flag of 440 five-candle-power lamps, at $125; an American eagle and shield of 216 one-candle-power lamps, at $65; and "Welcome, G.A.R." of 200 eight-candle-power lamps, at $150. The badge will be placed on the southeast corner of City Hall; the flag on the Market House dome, and the shield and eagle over the entrance of Carnegie Hall.

Last week the work of building the three arches was begun. Their cost when completed will be about $3,000.

THE MANY REUNIONS.

The Medal of Honor Legion, of which James R. O'Beirne, of New York, is Commander, has arranged to hold a Reunion in Pittsburg during Encampment week. A meeting of companions of the Legion and medal holders will be held at the office of A. H. Rowand, 508 Grant street, Sept. 10, at 11 a. m. It is also proposed to have a banquet. This organization consists of men who were decorated by Congress for meritorious action.

J. S. Mason, President, Medina, O.: The fourth annual Reunion of the Twenty-third Corps will occur in Pittsburg, Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 10 o'clock a. m., and will be held in the Banquet Hall of the Masonic Building, situated on Fifth avenue between Smithfield and Wood streets. The room is large, and will seat 300 or 400 people comfortably. It is reached by a commodious elevator. Business of importance to the Corps will come up for consideration, and full attendance is desired. The ladies are especially invited. The arrangements thus far give promise of a large attendance and an enthusiastic meeting. Let every man who belonged to the Twenty-third Corps make an effort to be present.

DISTINGUISHED COMRADES.

Practically all of the great survivors of the Union forces will attend the approaching 28th National Encampment of the G.A.R. in Pittsburg, Sept. 10 to 15. Among them will be Gen. Benjamin Harrison, Gov. William McKinley, Gens. Horace Porter, Daniel Butterfield, D. McM. Gregg, Lucius Fairchild, George S. Merrill, Daniel E. Sickles, Louis Wagner, Past Commanders-in-Chief Robert B. Beath, Paul Van Dervoort, John S. Kountz, John Palmer, A. G. Weissert, Wheelock G. Veazey, William Warner, Russell A. Alger, and S. S. Burdett, with many others of National renown.

SONS OF VETERANS.

The Guard has chosen the corner of Boquet street and Fifth avenue for the location of its Camp. This site is a very desirable one, and is very well adapted for drilling. Through the courtesy of Turner Brothers the use of the grounds was secured free.

NOTES.

Postmaster J. C. O'Donnell has received permission from the Department at Washington to employ 14 additional carriers and six more clerks during the Encampment.

The traction companies assert that there will be no lack of transportation facilities during the Encampment. There will be over 500 cars running all the time, and the estimated capacity at one time, if the people choose to crowd in, will be about 40,000, so that with the miles of street-car lines in the two cities there should be no difficulty in handling any crowd during Encampment week. All spare cars will be manned by experienced men, extra emergency wagons will be ready to rush to any breakdown, some lines will provide guides at certain points for the benefit of passengers, and every car will be decorated.

It is believed that the following officials of the Presbyterian Church will officially attend the Encampment if invited by the city: Rev. Samuel A. Mutchmore, D. D., LL. D., Moderator of the General Assembly; Rev. William Henry Roberts, D. D., LL.D., Stated Clerk; Rev. William E. Moure, D. D., LL.D., Permanent Clerk and Chaplain of the 14th regiment, O. V. M.; Rev. John Hall, D. D., LL.D., of New York, and Rev. T. De Witt Talmage, D. D., LL.D., of Brooklyn.

The Westinghouse interests—Westinghouse Electric Manufacturing Co., Westinghouse Air Brake Co., Philadelphia Co., Allegheny Heating Co., Allegheny County Light Co., Westinghouse Machine Co., Fuel, Gas and Manufacturing Co., East Pittsburg Improvement Co., Union Switch and Signal Co.—sent a check to the Finance Committee for $2,500.

Many of the business men of Pittsburg are making extensive preparations to decorate their buildings during the Encampment.

A committee has been appointed to call upon the Mayors of Pittsburg and Allegheny and request that Sept. 11 be declared a holiday.

L. A. S. in Oklahoma.

Throughout all the long Summer days, when the almost intolerable rays of the pitiless sun seem to sap one of all energy, the patriotic work of our Department has continued with hopes of increased success as the year grows shorter.

The Ladies of the G.A.R. and of the W.R.C. of this Department have recently sustained a loss which caused our tears to mingle, and which serves to bind us still more closely as sisters in the good work, in the death of Mrs. Jennie M. Jones, who was laid to rest on the 11th inst. The W.R.C. have lost their Department President and their ablest leader, and we of the sister Order have been bereft of the companionship of a friend and sister whose inspiring example in the work for the veteran we shall sorely miss. Many of the members present at the National Convention at Washington will doubtless remember the sole representative from Oklahoma in the W.R.C., who journeyed so far to learn more of the work, and who brought home with her fresh inspiration in the cause. An immediate result of her visit with her sisters there was the formation of a new Department of the W.R.C., of which she was elected the first President.

As her companion and fellow-traveler on the occasion of the trip to the Convention at Washington, where the writer went as a representative of a sister organization, the Ladies of the G.A.R., I gladly pay this little tribute of respect to the memory of a true and loyal worker in the cause of Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty.—ALLIE HOPKINS, Past Department President, Ladies of the G.A.R., Kingfisher, Okla. Ter.

U. S. Marine Legion.

The annual Reunion and Convention will be held at Delaney's Hotel, corner Second avenue and Market street, Pittsburg, Pa., on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 10 a. m. A special train will leave New York via B. & O. R. R., foot of Liberty street, at 9 a. m. Saturday, Sept. 8. Leave Philadelphia at 11:40 a. m., Baltimore at 2 p. m., Washington at 3:30 p. m.; due in Pittsburg about midnight. Accommodations are engaged at the above-mentioned hotel at $1.25 per day.

Owing to the want of interest in the organization on the part of its people, its transfer to the National Association of Naval Veterans will be considered at this meeting. Handsome badges on white silk ribbon, gilt letters, can be had by mail or in person. Price 20 cents.

Wm. Simmons, 1432 Wharton street, Philadelphia, is Adjutant.

Extras Must Be Paid For.

[*Chicago Record.*]

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Landlord (of the Summer resort hotel)—Is that so? Well, just charge him in the bill with an extra shower bath."

FREE TO INVALID LADIES.

A safe, simple home treatment that cured me after years of suffering with uterine troubles, displacements, leucorrhœa, etc., sent free to ladies with full instructions how to use it. Address Mrs. D. L. Orme, South Bend, Ind.

THE RELIEF CORPS.

Gleanings from National Headquarters---Notes from the Departments.

TWELFTH NATIONAL CONVENTION.

Arrangements Fully Completed for the Magnificent Reception and Entertainment of Pittsburg's Distinguished Guests.

CONVENTION ARRANGEMENTS.

Through Department President Annie Wittenmyer comes the encouraging assurance that all the plans put forward by the loyal women of Pittsburg for the entertainment of their hosts of guests have been fully completed. Extensive arrangements have been made for the comfort and pleasure of 12th National Convention, Woman's Relief Corps. An outline of the week's festivities follows:

There will be a carriage ride through the most beautiful part of Allegheny and Pittsburg, including their beautiful parks, and a banquet Monday afternoon. There will be a reception and banquet given by the Citizens' Committee on Tuesday evening in East Pittsburg. It is understood that tickets will be sent to the representatives of the W. R. C.

The Convention will open on Wednesday morning in the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church, corner Fourth avenue and Ross street (not Rose), a beautiful and commodious edifice. An elegant luncheon will be served daily to delegates and Army Nurses.

On Wednesday evening there will be three great Campfires held by the G.A.R. On Thursday evening there will be a W.R.C. reception at Old City Hall, which will be a fine affair. A steamboat ride will be given on Friday, and arrangements are made to include the W.R.C. delegates and officers. The boats will go down the Ohio River to the ship canal and Homestead, and, returning, go up the Monongahela River, which will be a romantic ride.

THINGS TO BE REMEMBERED.

1. All delegates and visitors should arrange for quarters before coming to Convention. The electric lines of street-cars intersect each other, and run to every part of Pittsburg and Allegheny. All cannot be quartered near the Convention hall, but better accommodations can be obtained at a little distance, reached in a few minutes by the cars, which are large and comfortable. For quarters write to Mrs. Lew Smith, 91 Middle street, Allegheny, at once. The prices will range from $1.25 to $5. Designate just what you want, and the committee will do the best they can for you, and with that be content.

2. Get the National pass-word from your Corps President before you leave home, or you may not get into the Convention.

3. Have all your mail directed to the Fourth Avenue Baptist Church, as arrangements have been made for a sub-postoffice there, where mail will be received and delivered, and stamps, postal cards, and stamped wrappers will be on sale for newspapers.

The newspapers of Pittsburg will have a full account of everything going on, and brief histories of the chief workers and pictures of most of them.

4. There will be a meeting of the Army Nurses at Pennsylvania Headquarters, Room 14, Monongahala House on Monday evening. Army Nurses and their friends are invited. National Headquarters will be in parlor No. 2, Monongahala House.

Annie Wittenmyer, Member of Committee of Arrangements.

THE FIRST FLAG STATE.

DEAR TRIBUNE: At the close of the second quarter of 1894, the reports showed that Pennsylvania had gained six Corps and 473 members during the quarter. The record stands: Number of Corps, 150; number of members, 4,742; cash spent in relief, $676.64; relief other than money, $357.67; total value of relief, $1,034.31; cash on hand in the relief fund, $8,928.68; cash balance on hand, general fund, $3,866.36.

The Department is getting into splendid condition. Perfect harmony prevails throughout the whole State and all are now standing together strong and united to do to their utmost.

The State has been divided into 10 districts, and an efficient officer appointed to each, to arrange for a District Convention and organize the forces for energetic, united work.

A flag committee has been appointed, with Emily C. Ellis, of Tidinte, as Chairman, and a united and earnest effort will be made to put a flag over every school-house in the State.

It is expected that the loyal women of Pennsylvania will follow the heroic example of their patriotic sisters, who more than a hundred years ago, under a holy inspiration, stitched in the red, white, and blue of the grand old Stars and Stripes, and will be the foremost workers in the new movement, and that Pennsylvania, which gave our beautiful banner to the Nation, will be the first to place a flag over every temple of learning, from the statliest college to the lowliest country school-house.

Annie Wittenmeyer, Department President

PENNSYLVANIA FOR MRS. CHENEY.

Armilla A. Cheney, National Treasurer, has informed the leading officers of the Department of Pennsylvania, who favor her continuance in office, that she will be a candidate for re-election at the coming National Convention.

She has been a most efficient and careful officer; everything connected with her office is entirely satisfactory. Why, then, they say, should there be a change, which will involve confusion and expense and hard work. And every dollar of it is earned; it is not a charity. Past Department President Helen S. Morrison, one of the leading workers in Pennsylvania, is earnestly spoken of as a candidate for National Senior Vice-President. Mrs. Judge Morrison will receive loyal support in her own Department.

CONVENTION NOTES.

A floating Star Spangled Banner, 50 feet wide and 250 feet long, will be a feature of the magnificent fireworks Pittsburg has designed for Grand Army week. It will float one mile above the river and be seen from all directions.

A fine program is under way for Flag Night at National Convention. The report of the National Committee on Patriotic Education will be presented, the flag salute will be given by children, and appropriate songs and recitations will enliven the occasion, with addresses by Commander-in-Chief Adams and other distinguished comrades.

The armed detachment from the Soldiers' Orphans' Home at Uniontown will march with the veterans in the grand parade. All the Pennsylvania battleflags will be out; also, the old Liberty Bell of Philadelphia and the new Columbian Bell.

Six thousand veterans and their entertainers will sit down at once at the luxurious tables to be laid for the grand banquet in the new electric light building, covering four acres, Wednesday evening of Encampment week. This is double the number ever seated at a banquet anywhere in America. The estimate of food and delicacies aggregate 20,000 pounds.

PET OF POST AND CORPS.

Gen. Alger and Gordon Granger Post, East Saginaw, Mich., share the honor of a name bestowed upon the little son of Comrade and Mrs. Peter N. Storer, of that place. The little fellow was christened in the Post hall Jan. 3, 1891, and presented a silver cup by Gordon Granger Corps, since which time he has been the recipient of many tokens.

At the Christmas holidays the Corps have remembered the little lad handsomely, and among his gifts from the same source have been a nickel-plated tricycle and a bank book showing a deposit in his name in the savings bank.

DEPARTMENT OF OHIO.

The official representatives of the Department of Ohio W.R.C. will accompany the Grand Army delegation to Pittsburg, in response to a cordial invitation from Department Commander E. E. Nutt.

By the official exhibits of June 30 Ohio reports as follows: Number of Corps, 319; membership, 11,260; amount expended in relief, $1,466.07; turned over to Posts, $658.44; relief other than money, $585.42. Total for relief, $2,709.93.

Hazlett Corps, Zanesville, expended the most for relief, Ben Butterworth second, Forsyth third, Buckley fourth. Richard Allen Corps made the greatest gain in membership.

The names of 13 delinquent Corps were forwarded to National Headquarters for the quarter closing June 30, to the great regret and bitter disappointment of the Department officers, who made many fruitless efforts to secure returns. Department President Winans counsels special attention to relief work and social gatherings with Posts as means of securing harmonious and successful work.

In conformance with a resolution to memorialize the Ohio authorities to have insane soldiers, now in the asylums of the State to 248, assigned to separate cottages, a committee has been appointed by the Department President, consisting of Anna W. Clark, Columbus; Julia Rice Seney, Toledo; Eliza D. Clapp, Thompson; Lotta D. Crosley, Zanesville; Charlotte La Rue, Dayton.

There are 60 old soldiers at the Toledo Asylum suffering from mild insanity who took great interest in Memorial Day, and whom Dr. Tobey, Superintendent, is anxious to organize into a Grand Army Post. He should be warmly assisted by the Department officers of Ohio G.A.R. There is so much that might be done to brighten the lives of these unfortunate men.

Department President Winans makes a strong appeal, in General Orders, No. 5, on behalf of the more than 900 soldiers in the Ohio Home, Sandusky, a great proportion of whom are aged, friendless, and infirm, and says: "Let us strive to make the western slope of their lives as flowery meadows, fragrant with Springtime sweetness. True, they have many afflictions to bear that we cannot lessen, but let us ever be on the alert to do all we can to brighten their latter days. How can we better do this than by sending a good book to the 'Home Library' or the price of an invalid chair, in which some of their last days may be spent out in God's sunshine and pure air, some soft cushions or head rests, woolen socks and carpet slippers, large sizes, and let me urge that every housewife who is a member of a Corps, set apart at least one glass of jelly or one can of fruit for their use.

The Ohio inspection districts are announced and officers appointed, Lyde J. Wheeler, Department Inspector, and 40 assistants. Inspections will take place September, October, and November.

Sixteen recruiting districts have been formed, Lizzie D. Williams, Department Instituting and Inspecting Officer, with able assistants, including such experienced officers as Lavinia Welch, Mary E. Durflinger, and Hetty J. Clark. Each district is instructed to hold at least one convention, that Corps throughout the district may receive the benefit intended.

ALL ALONG THE LINE.

The Relief Corps of Chillicothe, O., has sent an invalid chair to the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, Sandusky. This will be added to the chairs already purchased by the Department for the use of the invalid veterans of the hospital, who may thus be enabled now and then to get a breath of fresh air on the piazzas and grounds, or get an hour's relief from the weary couch.

The great annual August gathering of veterans at The Wiers, N. H., is now on, the Relief Corps sharing with the Grand Army the pleasures and privileges of the work. The great feature of the well-arranged program is the presentation by Mrs. John F. Gebley to the city of Laconia, through the 8th Regiment Association, of the beautiful monument drinking fountain erected at The Wiers, in commemoration of the services of her father, Loammi Bean, in that regiment.

Vermont L.A.S.

The following is a correct and complete list of the officers of the different Aids in this Division, corrected up to date:

Aid 2, Chelsea—Pres., S. Albina Mattoon; V.-P., Hattie Danforth; Trustees, Francis W. Bixby, Emma J. Noyes, Louisa Clough; Chap., S. Ada Hall; Sec., Grace M. Bixby; Treas., Emma Darling; Guide, Melissa F. Wright; Ass't Guide, Eunice Noyes; I.G., Emma Griffin; O. G., Flora Corliss; Judge-Advocate, Col. H. O. Bixby; Advisory Committee, Elmer Reed, Julian Griffin, Lewis Lucas, Lewis Campbell.

Aid 4, Burlington—Pres., Amy Reynolds; V.-P., Jennie Cunningham; Trustees, Cora Hall; Kittie Montgomery, Isa A. Ellis; Chap., Kittie Montgomery; Sec., Isa A. Ellis; Treas., Charlotte McGaffey; Guide, Mary Boyle; Ass't Guide, Emma Baker; I. G., Kittie Howard; O. G., Maggie Marta; Judge-Advocate, Capt. H. C. Tracy; Advisory Committee, F. F. Morse, Ed Norton, C. G. McGaffey, G. D. Van Stemburg, Charles Montgomery.

Aid 8, St. Johnsbury—Pres., Mrs. Jane Morris.

Aid 17, Morrisville—Pres., Miss Emma Cheney.

Aid 16, Springfield—Pres., May E. Putman; V.-P., Ellen L. Hopkins.

Aid 17, Brandon—Pres., Grace G. Langdon; V.-P., Hattie Winters; Chap., Mrs. McIntyre; Sec., Mrs. George Cobb; Treas., S. Ferrin; Guide, Miss Meyhew; Ass't Guide, Mary King; I. G., Mrs. Bissett; O. G., Miss Manley.

Aid 9, Brattleboro—Pres., Mable A. Witt; V.-P., Minnie Harvey; Trustees, Jennie E. Harris, Mable Root, Gertie Moore; Chap., Alta Bishop; Sec., Alice Sturgess; Treas., Iva Howe; Guide, Mable Hiscock; Ass't Guide, Gertie Moore; I. G., Lulu Carey; O. G., Hulda Frost; J. A., W. H. Meade; Advisory Committee, C. F. R. Jenne, W. H. Meade, A. I. Howe, G. F. Root, F. P. Thompson.

Aid 12, Poultney—Pres., Jennie Wilson; V.-P., Mary Kinney; Trustees, Mary Kinney, Luron Williams, Fannie Drake; Sec., Lena S. Benedict; Chap., Fannie Drake; Treas., Harriet L. Sherman, Guide, Nellie Drake; Ass't Guide, Luron Williams; I. G., Anna Walker; J. A., O. A. Kinney; Advisory Committee, W. Lamb, O. A. Kinney, L. Kinney, B. Woodward, C. Kinney.

Aid 13, Huntington—Pres., Ida M. Sprague; V.-P., Edna I. Briggs; Trustees, Rebecca H. Bennett, Carrie J. Warren, Geogia M. Case; Chap., Ida Burnham; Sec., Myrtle L. Gillett; Treas., Elna M. Morrill; Ass't Guide, Ida O'Brion; I. G., Flora Benway; O. G., Flora E. Bennett; J. A., C. J. Smith; Advisory Committee, H. W. Gillett, S. L. Ring, G. M. Burnham, C. W. Lewis, W. W. Benway.

Aid 14, Bristol—Pres., Addie F. Hatch; V.-P., Delia Ferguson; Trustees, Carrie James, Mary Scarborough, Genie Kilbourn; Chap., Ida J. Ring; Sec., Lottie E. Brooks; Treas., Nell Greenough; Guide, Abbie Cutting; Ass't Guide, Mary Jennings; I. G., Mary Cutting; O. G., Mary Hatch; J. A., F. E. Manum; Advisory Committee, L. R. Bissowette, E. L. Kilbourn, E. F. Burritt, Henry Burritt, H. L. Dunshee.

Aid 15, Manchester Center—Pres., Abbie J. Balch; V.-P., Ida Balch; Trustees, Lillie Towsley, Lula Whitman, Ida Balch; Chap., Kate Lampson; Sec., Lula Whitman; Treas., Mary Botsford; Guide, Lucy Davis; Ass't Guide, Cora Marsh; I. G., Lillie LaRin; O. G., Lillie Towsley; J. A., Wm. Bennett; Advisory Committee, Alvin Davis, Jessie Eaton, Geo. Utley, Bun Gleason, Geo. Balch.

Minnesota L. A. S.

Sarah E. Lyons having been re-elected President has again established Headquarters at 2706 Third avenue, Minneapolis.

The other officers are: V.-P., Rose D. Patterson; Council, Mary Stodieck, Etta L. Young; Chief of Staff, Mary A. Bouck; Chap., Linda Kruegar; Treas., Celia A. Rostron; Ins., Mary A. Bouck; Mustering and Installing Officer, Etta L. Young.

The following appointments have been made: Division Secretary, Addie B. Baker, Minneapolis; Division Judge-Advocate, Past Commander W. A. Mullen. To fill vacancy in Division Council, Mary E. Bornarth.

Glencoe has been selected as the location for the next annual Encampment.

Since issuing last General Order, Society No. 12 was mustered at Monticello by Division President, with 22 charter members. Congratulations and best wishes of this Division are extended to our new Society.

Ladies of the G.A.R.

Delegates from the 18 Circles in Philadelphia and vicinity met the other day at the home of Julia P. Shade, 1905 Norris street, and accepted the property at Sixty-fifth and Vine streets, which has been obtained by the Purchasing Committee to be used as a Home for Aged Veterans and Their Wives. The property was recently vacated by the Presbyterian Home for Aged Couples.

Arrangements were also made to take possession of the new Home as soon as the present lease expires, in the latter part of September. The Home is 100 x 225 feet, three stories high, of brick, rough-cast, and fronts on three streets. There are 22 rooms, but the ladies will alter the lower floors so that three more rooms will be added, making the Home accommodate 25 couples.

The property was purchased from the Presbyterian Board for $16,000, of which but $100 has been paid, and the ladies will shortly make an appeal to the generous and philanthropic citizens of Philadelphia for financial help in their undertaking. Either funds or clothing may be sent to the President, Julia P. Shade, M. D., 1905 Norris street, or to the Secretary, who is also the Department Treasurer, Ada L. Shannan, 4122 Ogden street. There are three couples waiting to enter the Home, and it is also the purpose of the management to admit old ladies who are widows of veterans.

THE GRAND ARMY.

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DEPARTMENT NEWS.

ILLINOIS.—

The Rock River Assembly was largely attended by comrades from all parts of the State. The Campfire on the evening of the 11th was a grand success. The principal speaker was Col. James A. Sexton, ex-Postmaster of Chicago.

Joseph Vollor, Commander, Post 49, Elgin: I wish to warn all Posts and Corps against a fellow who, when here, went by the name of C. Wesley Hill. He goes around making arrangements to put on a play, "The Spy"; plays a confidence game, and leaves. He is about five feet 10 inches in hight, dark hair and eyes, and has quite a heavy mustache. He is a slick talker and hustler, and will make all sorts of promises. We would like to have him here, dead or alive, but would prefer his corpse. Would take pleasure in burying him.

INDIANA.—

The delegates and Past Department Commanders are requested to report to the Assistant Adjutant-General at Room 42, Monongahela House, immediately upon arrival in Pittsburg.

The Department has a handsome bronze souvenir badge, which can be obtained from O. R. Weaver, Assistant Quartermaster-General. The price is 50 cents.

Comrades are again reminded by Department Commander Marsh that they can do missionary work in behalf of the candidacy of Comrade Walker for Commander-in-Chief at Pittsburg, among the delegates from other Departments.

The Department Commander desires to thank the comrades for the many expressions of loyalty to the Government, and for the enforcement of law and order during the recent labor troubles. And without in any manner expressing an opinion upon the questions involved, it is a matter worthy of mention that the members of the Grand Army were unanimous in favor of the enforcement of law. And it is believed that the action taken by the Posts of this Department, both by resolutions and individual expression, had much to do in suppressing lawlessness and in upholding and maintaining the peace and dignity of good government. Your words of commendation and approval have demonstrated your continued dovotion to the principles of our Order by gaining one more victory for the right. You have also added new laurels to your fame as American citizens, and given to the pages of Grand Army history a new touch of unfading and imperishable glory.

MICHIGAN.—

James Greacen, Commander, Kalkaska: The third annual Encampment of the Grand Traverse Soldiers and Sailors' Association will be held in the village of Kalkaska on Sept. 5, 6 and 7, 1894. Extensive arrangements have been made so as to entertain all who may come. The most prominent speakers in the State have been secured. Rations will be furnished all comrades who desire them, such as hardtack, potatoes, coffee, and sugar. The State tents have been secured, giving those who desire to use them an opportunity to do so. Comrades will provide their own blankets, but plenty of straw will be furnished on the campground. Every old soldier in northern Michigan is expected to attend. Everybody is invited. Come one, come all. Rates one fare for round trip.

MINNESOTA.—

Last Thursday Ass't Adj't-Gen. J. K. Mertz, accompanied by Department Commander S. R. Van Sant, went to Brownsville, Houston County, where the Commander mustered a new Post with 16 charter members. Ex-soldiers residing in the vicinity will join this Post, which is named A. L. Darling, who was a worthy comrade and citizen, who died during the past year. The Post starts out with prospects of being one of the best in the Department. The following are the officers: Com., W. J. Secord; S. V. C., G. Billings; J. V. C., John Hortsmen; Chap., Chas. E. McMann; O. D., J. O. Gray; O. G., Peter Carroll; Surg., H. H. Harden; Adj't, James Darling.

The Headquarters of the Department of Minnesota will be at the Hotel Schlosser, corner of Sixth street and Penn avenue, where the Department officers and staff will welcome all comrades and friends. The hotel is centrally located, and is less than three blocks from the Opera House, where the Encampment will be held. The rates of the hotel are $3.50 per day for each person.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—

Aug. 15 was G.A.R. day at Epping. Over 5,000 people were assembled on the campgrounds. Department Commander Pierce arrived at 10 o'clock and was escorted to his quarters by the G.A.R. and Co. F of the State militia. At 11:30 o'clock Commander-in-Chief Adams arrived and was received with military honors by the veterans and militia and escorted to the Stickney cottage, where his Headquarters were established. At 1:45 p. m. the organizations assembled at the Academis and marched to Chautauqua Hall, giving an exhibition drill, followed by a Campfire. Rev. O. S. Bakatel, President of the association, welcomed the G.A.R. to the grounds, and Past Department Commander Frank G. Noyes, of Nashua, followed. Department Commander Pierce was received with cheers, and spoke of the effort he was obliged to make to get into the army at 13 years of age. Commander-in-Chief Adams was received with rousing cheers. He said his escort to-day was the same company that refused to enlist him in 1861. He said that when the news of the recent riots was received the Commander-in-Chief of the G.A.R., with his comrades, was ready to start, if necessary, to put down the rebellion. There is no room in this country for more than one flag, and there should be a law passed by Congress that no flag should fly in this land but the Star Spangled Banner. Adj't-Gen. Meech was introduced as a member of the W.R.C. His humorous stories were heartily applauded. Ass't Adj't-Gen. Davis, President of the National Association of Prisoners of War, was the next speaker, and told of the prison life of the boys in blue. After a selection by the quartet, Past Department Commander John C. Linehan was introduced, and spoke of by-gone days. Commander-in-Chief Adams again spoke, and recalled to mind the gallant fights of the Irish Brigade in the days of '61-'64.

OHIO.—

Headquarters will be at the Monongahela House, Pittsburg, where Department officers and staff will welcome all comrades.

A resolution by Volunteer Post, 715, Toledo, to appoint a committee to memorialize school boards to establish a custom to open each day's school by singing the National Hymn "America," was approved by the Council of Administration, and ordered to be promulgated in General Orders, recommending like action throughout the Department.

Commander Nutt, in General Order, calls attention to Circular Letter of Adj't-Gen. James C. Howe, Columbus, asking for complete roster of all living ex-soldiers, with postoffice address, company and regiment, or branch of service, to be sent to him for use in compiling a better record that will be valuable to our Order. This is worthy of attention; and a comrade from each Post who will perform this duty will render valuable service.

The Department of Ohio has had many National officers: Wm. Earnshaw served as Commander-in-Chief in 1879; J. Warren Keifer as Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief in 1871 and 1872; Charles L. Young as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief in 1881; John S. Kountz as Commander-in-Chief in 1884, and Moses H. Neil as Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief in 1888.

The library at the Soldiers' Home is very inadequate to the wants of nearly 900 men. No doubt comrades and friends in many localities have readable volumes which they would gladly donate to the Home library. It is recommended by Department Commander Nutt that each Post appoint an interested and efficient comrade to see what can be gathered, and that he send his list to Chaplain Thomas J. Sheppard, State Soldiers' Home, Ohio, who will report if any works mentioned are already on the shelves, and will arrange for the proper shipment of those offered. Please do not send uninteresting volumes or ship without previous correspondence.

PENNSYLVANIA.—

Adj't Harry I. Yohn, of Capt. Philip R. Schuyler Post, 51, Philadelphia, will be the mounted Color Bearer of the Department of Pennsylvania in the great parade at Pittsburg. He is a Regular Army cavalry veteran, and one of the most popular comrades in Philadelphia.

Fayette County Posts have organized a battalion and will attend the Pillsbury Encampment 1,000 strong.

Gen. D. B. Birney Post, 63, looms up as one of the most prosperous Posts in the Department. During the term of six months, ending June 30 there were 33 gains by muster and reinstatement. The Post has invested in paying securities the sum of $8,604.87; cash on hand, $446.37; value of furniture, flags, rifles and paraphernalia, $4,353.10; total assets, $13,404.34; liabilities, none. Number of members in good standing, 376. The Post will go to Pittsburg in force with a band of music, three flags, a banner, and a score of Corps flags.

There will be present at the dedication of the soldiers' monument at Williamsport, Sept. 20, Department Commander Emsley, Ass't Adj't-Gen. Morrison, Ass't Q. M.-Gen. Levering, and many members of the Department Staff.

Pennsylvania, the banner Department of the Grand Army of the Republic, has always borne the palm of superiority because of its adherence to its uniform, and it is imperative that only those comrades be permitted in line at Pittsburg who are uniformed in accordance with the regulations of this Department. It is urged, too, that especial attention be given to the Grand Army badge by present and past officers and comrades generally.

Department Commander Emsley in General Order says: The absurdity of a Post of the Grand Army of the Republic carrying banners, transparencies, umbrellas, or other such paraphernalia