

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT RATES.

One Fare for the Round Trip—Variable Routes, Stop-Overs, S... Trips and Extensions—Hotel Rates, Rooming and Boarding Houses, Free Lodgings and Catering.

Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, People's Savings Bank Building, Zanesville, Ohio, July 1, 1907.

Circular Letter No. 2. Subject: Forty-first National Encampment, to be held at Saratoga Springs, New York, Sept. 9-14, 1907.

Railroad Rates. The Trunk Line Association makes the following announcement:

G. A. R. National Encampment, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., Sept. 9-14, 1907. One first-class limited fare for the round trip, using fares effective Jan. 1, 1907, going and returning via same route over which one-way tickets are regularly sold.

Variable Routes. Variable route tickets may be sold from Buffalo, Pittsburg, or other trunk line western termini and beyond for individuals on basis of 66 2-3 per cent of the sum of the one-way first-class limited fares via route traveled, using fares effective Jan. 1, 1907, plus steamer arbitraries, including route via New York in one direction, either direct or via Norfolk, and if steamer line is used from Norfolk to New York or vice versa, arbitrary of \$5.10 to be added; berth included, but meals extra. Dates of sale and other conditions to be the same as for tickets going and returning via same route.

Stop-Overs. Stop-over at New York on return to Buffalo, Pittsburg, or other trunk line western termini and beyond for individuals on basis of 66 2-3 per cent of the sum of the one-way first-class limited fares via route traveled, using fares effective Jan. 1, 1907, plus steamer arbitraries, including route via New York in one direction, either direct or via Norfolk, and if steamer line is used from Norfolk to New York or vice versa, arbitrary of \$5.10 to be added; berth included, but meals extra. Dates of sale and other conditions to be the same as for tickets going and returning via same route.

Side-Trips. Side-trips to New York and Boston. Passengers desiring to make side-trip to New York or Boston upon having their tickets validated by special agent at Saratoga Springs and depositing ticket with agent of terminal line at New York immediately upon arrival, and will then be allowed to leave New York to Sept. 17, inclusive, except that if ticket is extended by special agent at Saratoga Springs passenger may leave New York to Sept. 25, inclusive. Agent at New York will attach pasteur extension certificate to ticket returning same to Saratoga Springs not earlier than one hour before departure of train on which return trip will be resumed from New York.

Side-Trips to Boston. Fare from Saratoga Springs to Boston and return, \$6; Saratoga Springs to Boston and return to Albany and Troy, \$5.

Other Side Trips. Hudson River Steamer Lines.—No tickets to be issued reading via Hudson River steamer lines, but all rail tickets will be honored by the Hudson River Day Line and People's Line between New York and Albany, and by the Citizens' Line between New York and Troy under optional arrangements with rail lines.

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Special Validating Agency.—Details to be announced later.

Applicant.—R. B. Brown, Commander-in-Chief, Zanesville, O.

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Extension of Tickets. By deposit of ticket in person by original purchaser with special agent at Saratoga Springs not later than Sept. 17, and payment of fee of \$1 at time of deposit, an extension of return limit may be obtained to leave Saratoga Springs not later than Sept. 25, inclusive. Similar extension of return limit to apply in connection with side-trip arrangement to Boston subject to concurrence of New England lines.

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Oct. 6, will be granted by deposit of ticket in person by original purchaser with the special agent not later than Sept. 17, and payment of fee of \$1 at time of deposit.

Variable Routes. Tickets may be sold on basis of 66 2-3 per cent of regular rates plus arbitraries. Dates of sale and other conditions to be the same as for tickets going and returning via same route.

Side-Trip Fare. Saratoga Springs to Boston and return \$6, Saratoga Springs to Boston and return to Albany or Troy, \$5. People's and Citizens' lines will participate in rates for variable routes on same basis as authorized by rail lines.

Bands. Subject to approval of Council, 20 or more in uniform accompanying organization, one-half the rate authorized for individuals.

Eastern Canadian. Eastern Canadian Passenger Association advises that tickets will be honored via St. Lawrence River route on presentation of rail excursion ticket to ticket agent of Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company, Toronto, or to purser on board steamer and payment of the following arbitraries, viz: Toronto and Montreal, \$6.50; Kingston of Clayton to Montreal, \$3.50; and that tickets will be sold to Saratoga Springs and return on the dates named and the terms and specifications set forth in the announcement made by the Central Passenger Association.

Other Associations. The matter of concessions on account of meeting of the 41st National Encampment at Saratoga Springs is still under consideration by the Western Passenger Association, the Southeastern Passenger Association, the Associated Railways of Virginia and Carolina, the Southern Railway System, and the traffic managers of certain railroads belonging to the Trans-Continental.

Hotel Rates. The following rates have been guaranteed by the Men's Association of Saratoga Springs, N. Y., an incorporation under the laws of New York, and by Wheeler Post, 2 Department of New York, G. A. R. In the principal hotels without bath, two in a room, \$4 per day each; with bath, \$5 per day each, strictly American plan.

Rooming and Boarding Houses. Lodging, 50 cents; 75 cents and \$1 per day; lodging and breakfast, \$1.50 and \$2 per day; meals at restaurants from 25 cents up. Where menu cards are used the prices specified thereon will be charged.

Free Lodging. Will be provided for 11,000 comrades, and applications must be made to Frank M. Stierrett, Executive Director, Saratoga Springs, N. Y., at least 15 days prior to the meeting of the National Encampment.

It is believed that these rates are the lowest ever obtained and that the accommodations will be of the highest.

There is to be no overcharging or overloading. The Commander-in-Chief will appoint a committee of three to hear and decide upon all complaints and to strictly enforce, if need be, the terms of the written contract made with the Saratoga Springs Business Men's Association.

Very cordially in F. C. and L. R. B. Brown, Commander-in-Chief, Official.

Joseph W. O'Neill, Adjutant-General.

COMMANDER HORNADAY.

A Gallant Comrade of the Army of the

At the recent Annual Encampment of Oklahoma Wm. H. Hornaday was elected Department Commander on the first ballot, and he has already assumed the duties and responsibilities of that office.

Comrade Wm. H. Hornaday was born near Indianapolis, Aug. 16, 1844, where he was raised on a farm until he was 15 years old, when he entered the Northwestern University (now the University of Chicago) at Evanston, Ill. He was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity and was a member of the Psi Chi Honor Society.

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A COMRADE HONORED.

Quartermaster Charles H. Blinn, of Geo. H. Thomas Post, San Francisco, is dead.

June 19 George H. Thomas Post, of San Francisco, had an unusually large meeting, and after the business of the Post was transacted Past Commander A. J. Vining was put in charge and very interesting exercises began.

Chief speeches were made by Gen. S. W. Packus, Past Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief, G. A. R.; Past Department Commander W. G. Hawley, from San Jose; Past Commander J. B. Fuller and Charles E. Wilson, Commander Hancock, of Lincoln Post, and Gen. Charles A. Woodruff made the speeches of the evening, and in so doing presented Quartermaster Blinn with a massive silver loving cup inscribed with gold, with an oblong pedestal, the whole standing nearly two feet high. The following inscription was engraved on one side: "Presented to Charles H. Blinn by his comrades of Geo. H. Thomas Post, G. A. R., of San Francisco, in grateful appreciation of 25 years of faithful service as Quartermaster of the Post, June 18, 1882, to the evening of the 10th of gold badge of the Cavalry Corps of the Army of