

# HOW THE INSPIRING PAGEANT MOVED THRU CITY'S STREETS

tial music and led by the famous Cook girls' drill corps the members of the band, attired in red, white and blue uniforms, added a touch of color to the oncoming line and received the hearty applause of the spectators.

Former Governor S. R. Van Sant, as marshal of the parade, was the first veteran in the line of march, and his appearance was the signal for an earnest burst of the pent-up enthusiasm of the watchers. He was accompanied by General Fred B. Wood, adjutant-general of the national guard in Minnesota, and the regimental staff officers of the Minnesota national guard.

The Commander Passes.

As the mounted members of the marshal's staff passed by the watching crowd, a mighty cheer which swept along the line of march from the reverent to the raving standard, announced the coming of "Corporal" James Tanner, commander-in-chief of the veteran hosts of the G. A. R. Commander Tanner occupied a carriage with Archbishop Ireland, and the men received the undivided attention of the passersby. The commander and the archbishop rode with heads bowed, acknowledging the burst of enthusiasm by bowing to the cheering thousands.

The commander-in-chief was escorted by fifty members of the Columbia post of Chicago, dressed in neat blue uniforms, and wearing white helmets.

Following the commander-in-chief came the carriage carrying John S. R. Towler, adjutant-general of the Grand Army, and William P. Rogers, assistant adjutant-general, Frank A. Butts, chief of staff and senior aide, mounted on a spirited horse, and the staff of the commander-in-chief. Among the men in this division were George W. Cook, senior vice commander; Hugo Philier, surgeon general; M. J. Cummings, inspector general; Charles A. Clarke, judge advocate general, and J. Henry Holcomb, assistant quartermaster general.

The Flag Passes.

The colors of the national organization, borne by Eben Kneeland, official color-bearer, was the signal for a wild welcome from the watching crowd.

The aides to the commander-in-chief, followed General Butts and his staff and national officers.

Then came the seven members of the executive committee of the national council, riding together and forming the rear guard for the national commander-in-chief.

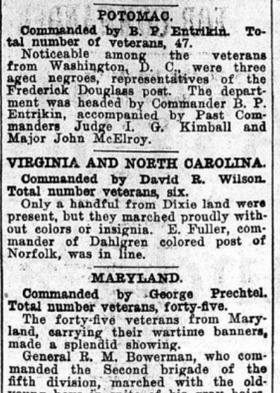
There were in line, Thomas W. Scott, John W. Hersey, L. W. Collins, Philip Cheek, Charles E. Foote, Cleveland Tilden and M. B. V. Ives.

## The First Minnesota Ready



VETERANS OF THE FAMOUS NORTH STAR REGIMENT READY TO MARCH.

## He "Marched" on Wheels



WILL H. MASON OF MILWAUKEE, HAS BEEN PARALYZED FOR MANY YEARS, BUT THIS DOES NOT KEEP HIM FROM "MARCHING" WITH THE OLD COMRADES.

1st DIVISION

**ILLINOIS.**

Commanded by Edwin H. Buck, Aide, Colonel C. E. Johnson. Total number of veterans, 1,550. Number of posts represented, fifteen. Number of bands and drum corps, ten.

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3d DIVISION

**PENNSYLVANIA.**

Commanded by James Bloom of Allegheny City; aide, Lieutenant George W. Dulaney. Total number of posts, 1863. Number of posts, 25. Number of bands or drum corps, 15.

Pennsylvania was one of the largest contributors of troops for the civil war. Accordingly the Keystone state has ever since been sending some of the largest delegations to G. A. R. national encampments. Today Pennsylvania had 1863 men in line, representing 248 different posts. The men marched in a solid column, starting with the men of post No. 1 and ranging back in numerical order, the men of each post being kept together as much as possible.

The Pennsylvania column was headed by Major John Kirk of Harrisburg with the state colors. Major Kirk has carried the state colors at national encampments for a dozen years. At the rear of the division marched Patrick Bane of Washington county, Pennsylvania, a veteran 7 feet 1 inch tall, who looked much taller by reason of wearing a high silk hat. By his side marched a little veteran barely over 5 feet in height.

It is to demonstrate that Pennsylvania's veterans come from all degrees of men, from the high and the low, "is the way one old soldier put it.

7th DIVISION

**MAINE.**

Commanded by Frederick S. Walls, Vinalhaven, Me. Total number of veterans, 150.

The department of Maine made a good showing of veterans, with the folds of three large flags waving above them. G. B. Fernald, Vinalhaven, Me., was the bearer of a beautiful peace flag, presented to the department by Harry Wisener of Louisville, Ky., an ex-Confederate and member of Morgan's cavalry. Frank Pullen of Camden, Me., carried the national colors and Walter E. Vinal, Vinalhaven, Me., carried the state colors. Present, Thomas G. Libby, Vinalhaven, assistant adjutant general, and James P. Armbrust, assistant quartermaster general, and three past department commanders, James S. Merrick, Waterville; Wainwright Cushing, Foxcroft; and William Z. Clayton, Bangor, who commanded the First Minnesota battery all thru the war.

9th DIVISION

**NEBRASKA.**

Commanded by John B. Maxon, Aid, Major Nicholson. Total number of veterans, 394. Number of posts represented, 18. Number of bands or drum corps, 1.

Headed by the venerable bugler, O. C. Bell of Lincoln, with the instrument, the department marched in the Department No. 17, Nebraska. Department Commander John B. Maxon with his staff, senior aide, E. Wambaugh, Adjutant General C. M. Parker and Governor J. H. Mickey, led the column, numbering 394 men, representing 898 posts.

The department was accompanied by the veteran drum corps from the Soldiers' home at Grand Island, and in the ranks walked three of the original members of the First Nebraska regiment, William Chaifant, William Chaifant and John Hesse, who were mustered in at Omaha in 1861 and were commanded by General M. Shayer.

13th DIVISION

**KANSAS.**

Commanded by J. M. Conroy, Topeka, Aide, Captain W. J. Murphy. Total number of veterans, 500. Number of posts represented, 25. Number of bands or drum corps, 5.

Kansas, with 500 veterans in line, made a splendid showing. Wearing sunflowers in coat lapels and carrying march flags, the members of the men from the "Jayhawk" state made one of the best displays of the day.

P. H. Conroy of Topeka, a candidate for the leadership of the Grand Army, led the Kansas veterans in a Corey button.

The department was led by the Mo-do club of Topeka and the Kappa Gamma Clay Center band, and five and drum corps were scattered at intervals thru the line. The Lincoln post five and drum corps was one of the largest musical organizations of the character in line.

Lincoln post, No. 1, of Topeka, had 200 men in line and made a splendid showing. Four members of the post drew the famous "Billy Sherman" howitzer the length of the march. The gun has been prominent in Grand Army parades since 1866.

15th DIVISION

**SOUTH DAKOTA.**

Commanded by N. I. Lovthian. Total number of veterans, 556. Number of posts represented, 11.

Master Spencer Macerone, honorary member of the department, headed the South Dakota column. Master Macerone was mounted on a small mule. He is 8 years of age and is 3 feet 8 inches tall.

Following Master Macerone came the Aberdeen State band, which led the local column of veterans.

The John Hooker post was the only post marching as a post. They were headed by their life and drum corps. They followed in the rear of the South Dakota department.

Many notable men were in the South Dakota department line. The following is a list of veteran generals who marched: General Farn H. P. Peckard, Walgreen, Tom Reed, John Baker, Carpenter, Palmer, "Bill" Lawrence, G. Snow and Sibley.

E. F. Whitehouse, the youngest veteran in South Dakota, acted as bugler for the department.

Every South Dakota veteran was armed with a cane, headed by an ear of corn.

19th DIVISION

**MINNESOTA.**

Commanded by Levi Longfellow. Total number of veterans, 5,000. Number of posts represented, forty. Number of bands or drum corps, twenty-five.

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The posts marched in the following order:

First Division.

Muller Post No. 1, Stillwater. Cady Post No. 2, Two-hy-five. Burdick Post No. 3, Spring Valley. Burdick Post No. 4, Albert Lee. Marshall Post No. 5, Marshall. George H. Thomas Post No. 9, Montevideo. Hanson Post No. 10, Duluth. Henry Rogers Post No. 11, Brownsville. Mattson Post No. 12, Caladota. Horan Post No. 13, Duluth. H. C. Rogers Post No. 14, Elk River. Joe Hooker Post No. 15, Watery. Baker Post No. 16, Fillmore. McPherson Post No. 17, Benson. Full Keeney Post No. 18, Fairmont. Wilkin Post No. 19, Mankato. Senior Vice Department Commander Everett Band.

Second Division.

Marching Flag. Garfield Post No. 8, St. Paul. Acker Post No. 9, Villard. James George Post No. 23, Le Roy. Burrall Post No. 24, Annandale. Lincoln Post No. 25, Marshall. McCune Post No. 27, Waseca. McCook Post No. 28, Clonaca. Whitney Post No. 29, Appleton. Pap Thomas Post No. 30, Brainerd. Workman Post No. 31, Little Falls. Burnside Post No. 32, Kasson. Stanton Post No. 33, Elk River. Stoddard Post No. 34, Worthington. Junior Vice Department Commander Corbin Band.

Third Division.

Daggett Post No. 35, Littlefield. Whitmore Post No. 36, Villard. Skaro Post No. 37, St. Peter. Stanton Post No. 38, Glenwood. Palmer Post No. 40, Saint Cloud. Taylor Post No. 43, Fulda. Devereaux Post No. 45, Janesville. Oster Post No. 46, Rochester. Ball Post No. 45, Winona.

2d DIVISION

**WISCONSIN.**

Commanded by J. M. Jewett of Fox Lake. Aide, Major George H. Lambert. Total number of veterans, 3,000. No. of posts represented, 38. No. of bands or drum corps, 15.

Wisconsin led by Department Commander J. M. Jewett, mustered 3,000 veterans, and made one of the longest displays of the parade. With Commander Jewett as Adjutant General Charles Pettibone.

Thanks to its nearness to the scene of action, the badge state had many posts in line and marching. Mr. Hill, who acted as the escort of Commander Jewett, O. H. Pierce was in command and the post was headed by the Madison band. C. A. Sercomb carried the colors.

Eagle post of Eau Claire was one of the most conspicuous in the department. Carried aloft upon its standard, the stuffed eagle, representing "Old Abe," whose stuffed body was destroyed in the burning of the state capital. T. J. Hill, who carried "Old Abe" thru the war, carried the standard. Mr. Hill still bears scars on his left cheek made by "Old Abe," who was very much alive in the stirring days of the war. Captain Victor Wolf, who commanded Company C of the 5th Wisconsin, fell in with his old command, he has been confined to his bed. John W. Ganes of Fox Lake, was in command of the post, and the standard of the 30th Wisconsin, also followed the eagle standard.

Wilson Colvel post of La Crosse, under Colonel J. M. Holley, line, seventy strong; R. A. Nichols post, of River Falls, under C. G. Knowles, marched sixty-seven strong, headed by representations of Uncle Sam and Minnesota.

Survivors of the Twenty-ninth Wisconsin infantry marched under command of Captain C. A. Holmes and Captain G. C. Bissell. John Flynn post of La Crosse, marched under John M. Hawley, led the Wilson Colvel post of the same city. Lieutenant George Brown of the First Wisconsin cavalry carried a rebel ball and led fifty of his old command. Robert Chiswick post of Milwaukee, marched twenty-five strong, under John Albert, B. J. Humphrey post of New Bloomington, twenty-five strong, marched under E. Hand. Baraboo had 175 men in line. Gardott post was led by its own drum corps. The Fifty-second Wisconsin infantry lined up seventy-five strong, under Lieutenant B. L. Cornish.

6th DIVISION

**CONNECTICUT.**

Commanded by V. F. McNeal, Aide, Major Nicholson. Total number of veterans, 40.

Connecticut was first in the sixth division, with Department Commander M. E. Reddick at its head. There were forty veterans in the parade, none of them marching as organizations.

8th DIVISION

**VERMONT.**

Commanded by John A. Sheldon. Total number of veterans, 212. Number of bands or drum corps, 1.

The New York contingent was headed by Pike's Peak drum corps and had an organization of twenty pieces. The department was under the command of John S. Maxwell, department commander, assisted by Assistant Adjutant General William F. Miller, Assistant Quartermaster General Frank C. Jones and Isadore Isaacs, chief of staff. There were no special decorations except that each man wore a spray of yellow goldenglow, presented by members of the Women's Relief corps.

12th DIVISION

**INDIANA.**

Commanded by E. E. Brown, department commander; aide Captain E. G. Falk. Total number of veterans, 314. Number of posts represented, 2. Number of bands or drum corps, 1.

Indiana's contingent of 314 veterans was especially well supplied with post flags and tattered war emblems and their appearance was more than ordinarily impressive. The Indiana contingent was headed by E. E. Brown, who was assisted by E. R. Feiler, assistant chief of staff.

The department was headed by Indiana Soldiers' and Sailors' Home band from the state orphans' home of Knightstown, Ind. This musical organization is made up of little chaps of unusual musical ability. They were in charge of S. Eldridge, bandmaster, and delighted the crowds with their music.

4th DIVISION

**OHIO.**

Commanded by George A. Harmon; aide, Captain W. E. Steele. Total number of veterans, 2,500. Number of posts, 600. Number of bands or drum corps, two.

Ohio made a strong showing. With fifteen past department commanders in line behind the commander's staff, one of whom, R. B. Brown, is a candidate for commander-in-chief, the record was broken.

Past Commander-in-Chief John Kountz of Toledo was a notable figure. Memorial post, No. 141, of Cleveland, M. E. Reddick, department commander, post commanders with 300 men. It was preceded by the Queen City band of Minneapolis and Memorial post's several of the veterans attracted attention by carrying strings of buckeyes. Adjutant J. W. Rogers, mounted on a horse, carried a banner which he has carried in sixteen parades. Aide Richard H. Hut, colored, veteran post No. 5, Dayton, carried 300 buckeyes on strings. He is a veteran of the Fifth United States heavy artillery. Rudolph Kernen of Cincinnati post No. 67, carried a lot of buckeyes. At the head of the line, the junior vice commander of the department, had the biggest display, carrying 600 strung across his shoulder.

10th DIVISION

**MICHIGAN.**

Commanded by James B. Griswold. Captain Kelly. Total number of veterans, 325. Number of posts represented, 1. Number of bands or drum corps, 2.

Michigan department was headed by the Michigan departmental band. Fairbanks post, No. 17 of Detroit was the only post which marched as such. With its life and drum corps it brought to the rear of the Michigan department.

Along with the life and drum corps of the Fairbanks post came two of the oldest men in the department, John Benjamin, McMacken, and A. M. Moon, who plays the bass drum. Mr. Benjamin is a veteran of 70 years and Mr. Moon is 76, the oldest man in the department.

14th DIVISION

**MISSOURI.**

Commanded by J. M. Williams. Total number of veterans, 324. Number of posts, three. Number of bands or drum corps, one.

Three Missouri posts marched in line in separate bodies, all three being of St. Louis. Blair post, No. 1, Azendable No. 13 and Ranson No. 131. Blair post was accompanied by a drum corps. The other veterans of Missouri not in the posts, marched as one body under the state colors.

16th DIVISION

**NEW MEXICO.**

Commanded by Captain W. B. Brunton. Total number of veterans, 3.

New Mexico had a small but distinguished force in the parade. Captain Brunton of the Second Iowa cavalry led the party. A. D. Higgins of the One Hundred and Fourteenth Illinois infantry, the assistant adjutant general, was the rank and file. Thomas Harwood, life chaplain of the Twenty-fifth Wisconsin infantry and for twenty years department chaplain, carried the colors.

18th DIVISION

**NORTH DAKOTA.**

Commanded by F. B. Eigelow, Aide, Captain O. E. Smith. Total number of veterans, 400.

North Dakota was preceded by the State Military band of Lisbon, N. D. At the head of the delegation was Commander F. B. Eigelow. The department commander were Comrade John F. Briggs, dressed as Uncle Sam, and Miss Marion Mercer, adopted granddaughter of the William B. Bigelow. The 37 Grand Forks Comrade Briggs, 57 years old and Miss Mercer 11. Briggs enlisted in the First Wisconsin cavalry. Each veteran in the march had cockade, buttonhole and a cane of wheat on the stem.

20th DIVISION

**NEW YORK.**

Commanded by John S. Maxwell, department commander; Major C. T. Spear, aide. Total number of veterans, 835. Number of posts represented, 2. Number of bands or drum corps, 1.

New York's showing was especially strong. All the commanders declare that it is the best made by the empire state veterans in five years. In line there were 835 men who had served their country in its extremity. They came from all over New York and represented an indefinite number of G. A. R. posts.

There were but two posts that marched as posts. These were E. S. Reddick post, No. 33, of Rochester, and Rourke post, No. 1, of Rochester. The other men in line marched simply as members of the New York department.

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22nd DIVISION

**NEW JERSEY.**

Commanded by Alfred Atkins, department commander. Total number of veterans, 50.

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24th DIVISION

**TEXAS.**

Commanded by W. H. Harvey. Total number of veterans, eighteen.

About thirty Texans are here, but only a portion of them felt in mood to march. The distinctive insignia of the department was a forehead and horns of a longhorn Texas steer mounted on a pole.

26th DIVISION

**FLORIDA.**

Commanded by William Emerson of Tampa. Total number of veterans, twenty-five.

Florida was distinguished in the parade by aloes surmounted by pine apples and decked with Spanish moss. With Commander Emerson was Captain James of Jacksonville, post district commander.

28th DIVISION

**KENTUCKY.**

Commanded by George T. Grimstead. Total number of veterans, 133. Number of posts, one.

Kentucky had no posts marching as separate organizations in the line of march. The Kentuckians marched in one body as a state division, headed by their own drum corps.

30th DIVISION

**WEST VIRGINIA.**

Commanded by Thomas M. Mills, New Martinsville. Total number of veterans, 93.

No division made more noise along the line of march than did the comparative handful of veterans from West Virginia. These men hauled with them the famous Custer memorial cannon, a brass two-pounder which has become famous in past national encampments. There are an even dozen men in the West Virginia division who were with Custer in the civil war. They were designated from other marching by red scarfs tied around one arm. The Custer cannon is cast entirely from war relics. These include army spears, eagles, bugles, army spurs, seventy belt buckles, four pounds of brass buttons, thirteen spoons, 4 1/2 pounds brass thimble, thirteen spoons, three gold dollars, etc. The cannon was in charge of James Trox, now of Newcastle, Pa. but a member of the G. A. R. post at Parkersburg, W. Va. He has had personal charge of the old piece for twenty-one national encampments past, twenty-two state reunions and three regimental meetings. Along the line of march Texas fired twenty rounds of ammunition. Texas is not only proud of the cannon, which he looks on as almost his personal property, but also of his gunstick. This stick was made from a limb shot in the group by shell at Gettysburg, and then sprouted.

32nd DIVISION

**OKLAHOMA AND INDIAN TERRITORY.**

Commanded by Captain H. Veatch, chief of staff. Total number of veterans, Oklahoma 50, Indian Territory 10.

At the head of the Oklahoma and Indian Territory march together. They were preceded by the Oklahoma City drum corps, with Comrade V. Anderson and the coming of the wave of enthusiasm equaled only by the ovation given Commander Tanner swept down the line of march, keeping pace with the veteran line.

34th DIVISION

**WASHINGTON AND ALASKA.**

Commanded by C. B. Dunning. Total number of veterans, 41.

The Washington and Alaska department was led by Miss Grace McCafferty. She is one of the veterans said, "a production of Washington, altho her name is French."

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**UTAH.**

Commanded by B. M. Sperry. Total number of veterans, eight.

Utah's department was one of the smallest in line, but the gold miners marched as sturdily and proudly as any of the larger departments.

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**TENNESSEE.**

Commanded by General John T. Wilder. Total number of veterans, twenty.

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## 17th DIVISION

**MONTANA.**

Commanded by Colonel A. J. Fish. Total number of veterans, twenty-five.

One of the youngest and most vigorous departments in the line was the Montana contingent of twenty-five.

**LOUISIANA AND MISSISSIPPI.**

Commanded by Colonel Charles W. Keating. Total number of veterans, thirty-two.

Carrying stalks of sugar cane, decked with rice and cotton bolls, the veterans of Mississippi and Louisiana, mostly of colored regiments, presented a striking appearance. With Colonel Keating was Assistant Adjutant General Noah Spillers. The four platoons into which the department was divided were led by Post Senior Vice Commander Charles H. Shute, Paul Bruce, F. C. Antoine and Louis Herman.

**IDAHO.**

Commanded by Alfred Anderson. Total number of veterans, twenty-five.

The Idaho veterans did not bring a band with them, but secured the Independent Boys' band of Minneapolis. The band outnumbered the department and all the boys were decorated with a white sash lettered "Idaho Fruit Pickers."

**GEORGIA.**

Commanded by W. H. Kimball. Total number of veterans, twenty-seven.

A stuffed alligator mounted on a pole was carried at the head of the Georgia delegation. Commander Kimball said that he brought forty men with him, but did not muster that number in line.

**ALABAMA.**

Commanded by Junior Vice Commander W. R. Campbell.

Alabama sent fifteen men to represent its G. A. R. and it was a brave lot at that. All the men wore clusters of opened cotton bolls as buttonholes.

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