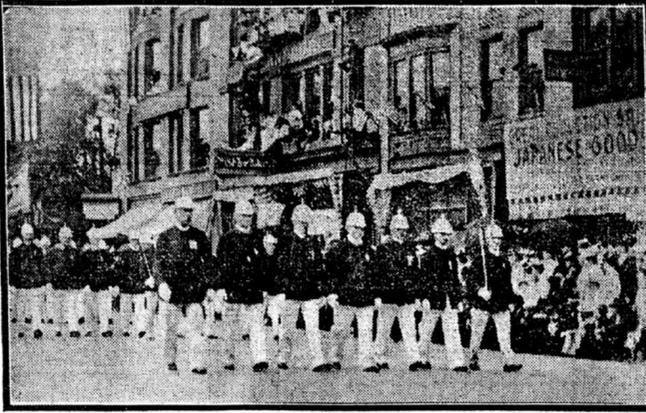


# SNAP SHOTS AT THE INSPIRING SPECTACLE OF MARCHING MEN



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HAWKEYE VETERANS WITH TRICOLOR UMBRELLAS.

## A PRE-ELECTION ROW IN THE RELIEF CORPS

### Candidate for Presidency, Accused of Trading for Votes, Bursts into Tears—The Convention Sessions Begin.

Is there trouble brewing in the ranks of the Woman's Relief Corps? The air has been heavily charged with the past few days with political rumors and today an explosion threatened. There were whispers yesterday that one of the candidates was trading heavily for votes and that she had promised an office to every department that supported her. More than that, it was told in hushed voices thru the hotels that at least one department had openly asked the different candidates what would be offered for votes.

However that may be, the candidate who was accused of too much zeal in seeking votes was appalled this morning when she heard some of the things that were afloat. Then, woman-like, she burst into tears, but that was only for a moment. As soon as she realized the situation she bravely went out to find the people who were responsible for the whispers and apologies were in order.

Want to Hurry Thru It.

It is no wonder that there is a desire to make the election of national officers an early order of business, for there will be a real setting down to consider the regular business until the new president is chosen.

The friends of Mrs. Kate Jones, of Mrs. Carrie Sparklin and of Mrs. Mary Gilman of Boston, each claimed to place today. Mrs. Jones was seemingly in the lead, however, for in addition to her own state of New York, she has pledged the votes of Ohio, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Indiana, Kansas, with a majority in Nebraska, Kentucky and New Hampshire.

California and Colorado are for Mrs. Sparklin, who has the support of her own state and a large scattering vote thru many of the departments.

Last year Mrs. Sparklin stood within six votes of securing the coveted office and the personal canvass she made during the week will stand her in good stead.

The friends of Mrs. Gilman depend to a large extent, on the "silent vote." The majority of W. R. C. women prefer to come to a convention and meet the candidates and judge for themselves which will prove the officer that the order needs. It is this large part of the delegates which Massachusetts expected to influence, altho Mrs. Gilman has over one hundred votes pledged to her. Several of the states have promised their votes if the first ballot does not result in a choice, and on the second they will line up for the Massachusetts woman.

ers to the platform, where they were introduced to the convention. In spite of the fact that the officers had arranged at the semi-official meeting last evening to do away with greetings, Mrs. Ell Torrance, bearing a welcome from the Daughters of the Revolution, the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Colonial Dames, was allowed to enter.

Clarendon Adams, the husband of the national president, was given an ovation when he was escorted to the platform by Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor of Boston. Mr. Adams presented the national president and secretary with traveling trunks packed with the stockade at Andersonville prison, and he, in turn, was given a nice new badge of the convention. The Soldiers and Sailors Orphans' band of Knightstown, Ind., next appeared at the door to ask admission, and a number of patriotic airs were played from the platform. The leaders were rewarded with convention badges and New York gave the members of the band silk flags.

All of this rather delayed the transaction of business, and it was not until nearly noon that Mrs. Adams found time to deliver her message.

At noon the delegates were entertained at luncheon in the dining room of the church by the Minnesota women. The decorations were, of course, in yellow and white, and Mrs. Cora B. Wright, chairman of the committee, had forty assistants. At each cover was the official souvenir badge, the gift of the citizens' committee of the Commercial club. They were pretty affairs, a yellow ribbon, hanging from a bar similar to the A. R. badge, and to the ribbon was fastened a medal bearing the W. R. C. emblem, surmounted by an eagle.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Mrs. Adams Makes Interesting Comment and Suggestions.

The report of the national president, Mrs. Abbie Adams of Superior, Neb., was given with dignity and grace. Mrs. Adams has an interesting personality and a charming presence and her report was a document which will make history for the W. R. C. if all of its recommendations are carried out.

She began with a reference to that other banquet which was held in Minneapolis when the W. R. C. was "a child of experiment and enthusiasm," saying: "Today we come in the full fruitage of a quarter of a century. One of the pleasantest duties of the year was the organization of a new department, that of Indian Territory, and an unpleasant one was the revocation of the charter for the department of Louisiana and Mississippi, where there was so much incompetency and disobedience to the laws of the order."

Her Recommendations.

The most important recommendation in Mrs. Adams' address referred to the colored detached corps. These corps are not increasing in membership nor enthusiasm and Mrs. Adams recommended that no more charters be issued to colored detached corps, as many of the present organizations are disobeying the rules of the order in not having permanent meeting places; she further recommended that such corps are delinquent in their reports for three successive quarters they shall be

dropped from the roll and the rituals returned to the national secretary.

The work at Andersonville is very dear to the W. R. C., and for years it has been especially so to the Massachusetts women, who have kept a banner floating above the old stockade. Mrs. Adams asked that the other departments may share in this privilege and suggests that the flag that waves over Andersonville should be purchased from the general fund and she also asked that Mrs. Elizabeth A. Turner of Boston, Mass., who has made the work of the Andersonville prison board her joy and pride, be made permanent chairman of the board.

Another recommendation calls the attention of the national and department patriotic instructors to the observance of citizens' Sunday and the national president also suggests that the quartermaster general of the G. A. R. be consulted before further contributions to the detached corps are made, as called for. The W. R. C. has in its treasury \$800 which was received last year after the G. A. R. had stated that it had sufficient for the annual expenses.

The patriotic work has been very progressive during the year, especially in the south, where a desire has been shown to keep with the progress of the times in educational matters. There is a sad lack of schools in the mountain districts, and the children of the mountaineers are "the boys in blue" in war times should be taught to be intelligent, respected citizens and to reverence "Old Glory," Manila and Panama offer fields of labor for patriotic instructors and all ready letters have been received from the board of education in Manila and the Isthmian Canal commission at Panama, commending what has been done.

Mrs. Adams spoke very lovingly of the late Mr. Tanner, the wife of Commander Tanner, and paid earnest, heartfelt tribute to her as a woman, wife and friend.

W. R. C. Statistics.

Pamphlets containing the address of the president, the reports of the other officers and a roll of members were distributed to the delegates by the aides at the close of Mrs. Adams' address. These pamphlets hold interesting reading for the members of the W. R. C. Mrs. R. Morgan, national secretary, gives the membership as 126,146, divided among thirty-five departments and sixty detached corps.

The report of the treasurer, prepared by Mrs. Charlotte E. Wright, states that the total receipts for the year were \$18,814.39, and the expenditures \$4,710.67. The W. R. C. sent to the California sufferers \$5,332.10. The patriotic instructor reported that 18,339 flags had been presented to schools during the year.

A popular member of the Indiana delegation is Mrs. Agnes Hitt of Indianapolis, past national president. Mrs. Hitt's hair is white as snow, but from beneath her smoothly-parted and ever locks her eyes shine as bright as ever. She is very dear to the Indiana delegation and the members of other departments were quick to show their affection by hastening to the headquarters to greet her.

High Praise for W. R. C.

Past Commander-in-Chief John R. King of Baltimore made a rousing speech of appreciation of the great work being accomplished by the W. R. C.

"We know and fully appreciate," he said, "that there are today thousands of G. A. R. posts being kept alive in financial way thru the earnest work of the W. R. C. We know that you are ever ready to help. Others may fail us, but we are sure the women of the Relief Corps will always be with us, and for us."

Corporal Tanner, commander-in-chief called upon by Mrs. Adams, said: "I thank God for the W. R. C. The old-timers know of the great work it has accomplished, and they have written their own endorsement for the American public. I recognize in the

## WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

### AN INDIAN DELEGATE



MRS. LILA D. LINDSEY, President of the Indian Territory Department of W. R. C.

The daughter of an Indian chief is president of the Indian territory department of the W. R. C. Mrs. Lila D. Lindsey is very proud of her Indian ancestry, as her husband and her mother was a missionary who left her home in the east to work among the Indians, and she married a Creek chief. Their daughter and her husband for nine years lived in the Indian schools of the territory. Then she married a civil engineer and became interested in the work of the W. R. C. only received its charter in 1905. Mrs. Lindsey is the first president of a national organization. She is a fine looking woman, showing just a trace of her ancestry in her high cheek bones, but her eyes are as blue as the sky. She is very wealthy, as her husband owns the Lindsey addition to Tulsa.

### MANY GIFTS FOR W. R. C. OFFICERS

Members Show Their Esteem at Reception at the Auditorium.



MRS. MARY E. CARR, COLORADO, Past National Secretary, a Member of the Receiving Party.

The national organization of Women's Relief Corps last evening gave a reception followed by a semi-official meeting at the Auditorium. The feature of the evening was the presentation of many gifts of esteem to the presiding national officers. The presentations came as a complete surprise to the recipients. Nearly every seat in the large Auditorium was occupied when the reception concluded and the program of the evening began.

The guests, as they arrived, were ushered to the front of the Auditorium, where along the orchestra circle was the receiving line. Those receiving were the national officers, the members of the executive board, six past national presidents, Senior Vice Commander George W. Cook of Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Towler, General and Mrs. John Tweedale and the Misses and Mrs. Ida E. Martin, the commander-in-chief.

The presentation of gifts, the made on the stage, was very informal. Mrs. Abbie A. Adams, the national president, declined from the national organization a beautiful ring set with four diamonds, the presentation being made by Mrs. Eliza B. Daggett, national chief of staff. Mrs. Adams was also given a set of solid silver teaspoons and a silver ladle by the department of Nebraska. The national staff officers presented her with a set of pearl-handled silver knives and forks.

Mrs. Mary R. Morgan, national secretary, was presented with a set of silver teaspoons and a silver ladle by the department of Nebraska. Both national officers responded eloquently in appreciation of their gifts. The audience receiving their remarks with much applause.

### TO SAVE LANDMARK

Mrs. Christine W. Dunlop, of Washington, D. C., Secretary of Appomattox Surrender House Ass'n.



MRS. CHRISTINE W. DUNLOP, of Washington, D. C., Secretary of Appomattox Surrender House Ass'n.

W. R. C. the representative womanhood of America, and would have every foreign prince and potentate so understand it. No commander of the G. A. R. has ever had more loyal support than I have had thru your president, Mrs. Adams. May God bless and prosper you."

Mrs. Kate B. Sherwood of Toledo, past national president, made an eloquent address, reviewing the accomplishments of the organization and eulogizing the G. A. R. Colonel Adams, husband of the national president, called upon for a few remarks, spoke in high praise of the W. R. C. in a manner which caused him to be several times interrupted by applause.

The program concluded with an eloquent greeting from the committee of Minneapolis women, represented by Mrs. D. P. Jones, wife of the mayor.

## LADIES OF G. A. R. IN NATIONAL CONVENTION

### First Baptist Church Crowded with Delegates and Visitors—Reports Show Condition of the Order—Gifts for Officers.

Floating over the portals of the First Baptist church are the banners of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. The convention is on and business, with all its serious side, holds the attention of all.

Mrs. Ruth E. Foote of Denver, Colo., called the meeting to order at 9 o'clock today. The church was thronged to the doors, and the two days' convention was followed by the seating of the delegates and by the work of the credentials committee, which includes Mrs. Catherine Ross, national secretary, of Denver; Mrs. Ella S. Jones of Allegheny, Pa., national treasurer, and the following national secretaries: Mrs. Virginia C. McClure, Mrs. Emma Richey and Mrs. Hannah B. Lee. Credentials of 124 were examined.

Wisconsin asked to substitute for one of her delegates, Minnesota was denied the privilege at the Boston convention, and Mrs. Foote consequently ruled the motion out.

should be outdone in the first ballot, which is almost out of the question, she will cast her vote for Mrs. Ada L. Shannon of Philadelphia.

The list of candidates is beginning to dwindle. Those who are considered "out" are Mrs. Mary Jameson of Marino City, Mich., and Mrs. Henrietta Gerwig of Allegheny. Mrs. Gerwig was never considered a delegate, and has not even come to the convention, which is equal to a withdrawal. Mrs. Shannon is an capable woman and will have the support of at least a part of the Minnesota delegation should Minnesota drop out of the race.

Mrs. Dalton has the advantage over any other state. She comes supported by her full delegation, after having been endorsed by the G. A. R. and the Ladies of the G. A. R. of Kansas. She is an extremely capable woman—a lawyer, member of the firm of Dalton & Dalton of Topeka, of which her husband is the head. She has been practicing for twenty-five years, and is a representative woman socially and in a business way. It speaks well for her that she has been department president for three terms.

Mrs. Hannah Chamberlain of New York, capable and well fitted for an office, does not have a strong enough following to indicate that she is anywhere near the lead. Mrs. Emma Pierce of Massachusetts, another candidate, has not a strong delegation and has to depend for her support on other states. By tonight it will be a question of Mrs. Dalton, Mrs. Lobbell and Mrs. Shannon.

Jones Versus Jones.

Mrs. Ella S. Jones of Allegheny, the national treasurer, is due for a second term, by reason of popularity and prestige, is to have a competitor for the honor in the person of Mrs. Irene W. Jones of Milwaukee. Mrs. Jones, the past department president of Wisconsin and has a host of friends, and the Jones-Jones contest gives promise of being a lively one, for the two women have been in contention other one before—at the Chicago convention.

An Interesting Report.

Of all the reports the most interesting was the one given by the treasurer, Mrs. S. L. Jones of Allegheny, Pa. It showed receipts from per capita tax, \$2,076.05; sale of supplies, \$4,065.45; total with balance, \$7,639.26; expenses, \$5,285.52; balance on hand, \$2,353.74. In addition to these will be items of expense connected with the convention, and receipts reported at a late hour. The secretary found the cupboard low when she took up the financial reins last year.

4,000 New Members.

Mrs. Foote in her address spoke of the good work which the order has accomplished during the past year. In relief work alone \$35,000 in money has been spent in various ways. Sixty-one new circles have been formed, fourteen of which were in states which have no department. There has been a net gain of 4,000 new members. Kansas has the largest number of circles.

Mrs. Catherine Ross also presented her report as secretary, which was a detailed statement of the work.

Mrs. Dunlop, secretary of the Appomattox Surrender Home association, presented the plan of collecting funds for the preservation of the McLean house, and it was indorsed unanimously. The Ladies of the G. A. R. also indorsed the plan of giving ten scholarships at \$50 each at the National Memorial college, Mason City, Iowa. S. S. Wyand, G. F. Barsalon and W. J. Veterans brought greetings of the Sons of Veterans.

L. of G. A. R. Notes.

Miss M. Virginia Hall of Wheeling, W. Va. department president of West Virginia, is one of the conspicuous delegates at the convention of the Ladies of the G. A. R.

Miss Hall has always been the "youngest one," no matter when and where. She became a member of the Virginia department when only 16 years old—she was the youngest then; she was elected department secretary, the youngest department secretary on record; she worked up the ladder step by step, sheer ability and interest in her work being her stronghold, until she was elected department president; at the convention she is probably among the delegates "the youngest one." Miss Hall is the daughter of Mrs. Anna M. Hall, an intelligent G. A. R. worker, and secretary of the committee on rules and regulations of the ritual work. Having received a training from her mother, who is conceded to be a splendid instructor, she will be able to advance to a position which will within a few years, place her in line with the candidates for a national office.

### NURSES WANT PENSIONS

#### Say Volunteers Should Be Befriended by Uncle Sam.

The army nurses met in the Commercial club this morning, and after hearing the secretary's and treasurer's reports, the morning was devoted to the discussion of the pension for the volunteer nurses.

All the regularly enlisted nurses who were on the government payroll during the war receive a pension, but the volunteers who, many of them, worked just as hard and braved as many dangers, have never been recognized as government employees and entitled to a pension.

The bill before congress asking for this relief for the volunteer nurses was defeated, but the nurses today were unanimous in urging that the volunteer nurses be placed in the same relationship to the government as the regular nurses.

The nurses were guests of the Commercial club for lunch, and this evening a reception will be given in their honor. The Hennepin County Association of Nurses will assist.

### Gifts for Officers.

Mrs. Mary T. Hager, past national president, was presented by the Mary T. Hager staff association with beautiful gifts. Mrs. Kittie Runyan presented handsome gifts to the national president, her secretary, Mrs. Ross and the past national president, Mrs. Hager.

The national president appointed Mrs. Clara Ellsworth of Minneapolis as a special aid during the convention.

The attendance of past national presidents who were on the platform includes Mrs. Flora M. Davey, Mrs. Etta Lee Toby of Loganport, Ind., Mrs. Mary T. Hager of Chicago; Mrs. Amanda Wetherin, Ecanaba, Mich., and Mrs. Carrie B. Sherriff.

Duluth Visitor Faints.

Excitement was caused when Miss Spohn of Duluth was taken out of the church in a fainting condition, caused by an attack of heart failure. The ladies of the G. A. R. who were in the room, which the women have opened in the basement was appreciated. Dr. Julia P. Schade of Philadelphia was called to administer to the sufferer.

### THE PRESIDENT'S CAMPAIGN

#### Race Seems to Be Between Mrs. Dalton and Mrs. Lobbell.

Elma B. Dalton! Julia E. F. Lobbell! Kansas, oh Minnesota! Which is it to be for national president of the Ladies of the G. A. R.?

All the delegates are at work. Pennsylvania comes to the front strongly with her candidate, and if Kansas

### W. R. C. Personal.

Mrs. Carrie Sparklin of St. Louis, candidate for W. R. C. national president, has no more ardent electioneers than her husband, "Uncle Sam Storekeeper," as he is affectionately called by the Missouri delegation. The Missouri people all worked for Mrs. Sparklin and the men were just as eager in her service as the women. Mr. Sparklin is in the St. Louis assayer's office and has been for fifteen years quartermaster of Ransom post, St. Louis. He is also a past department president.

### Inspiration of the Parade.

After a selection by the orchestra, which opened the evening's formal program, Belle C. Harris of Minneapolis sang "The Banner Song." Ida E. Martin, president of the department of Minnesota, W. R. C., extended greetings to the convention in behalf of her department. She spoke of her assignment to welcome the visitors as a most pleasant duty. She told of the development of the W. R. C. to its present greatness. In speaking of yesterday's parade she said: "How the scene inspired us! How it stirred our patriotism! Yet we could not but notice that the steps were a little more feeble than a year ago, that the hair of the marchers was a little whiter. Yet how happy they looked. And doubtless partly in appreciation of the generous supply of bread, butter and coffee which they were given by the Minnesota W. R. C. just before they started on their march."

Mrs. Adams, national president, in response, spoke of the appreciation of the national organization of the splendid reception it had been given by the Minnesota ladies.

## Daughters of Veterans Hold Their Convention

The Daughters of Veterans opened their sixteenth annual convention this morning in the Masonic temple, in the Masonic Temple, and their president, Mrs. Bertha Martin of Massillon, Ohio, gave a stirring address of welcome. She paid tribute to the veterans and expressed sympathy for the south in their negro problem. In regard to the proposed Wirz memorial she left no doubt as to where the Daughters stand.

"This nation owes homage to our fathers for the peace and prosperity we now enjoy," she said, "and as a daughter of one of these men I now strongly protest, as must every true American, against the rearing of a monument by the Daughters of the Southern Confederacy to the memory of that inhuman wretch who was responsible for so much unnecessary suffering of the 14,000 men whom the fortunes of war placed under him. Years have not power to obliterate from our memory the story of the atrocious deeds of this Captain Wirz of Andersonville infamy, and even his name is a blot on our American history."

Miss Martin indorsed the work of the Sons of Veterans in erecting the memorial university at Mason City, Iowa, the monument for the preservation of the birthplace of Lincoln, and the McLean house at Appomattox, where Grant and Lee made their terms of surrender.

The credentials committee reported fifty accredited delegates, and the charter was presented to the Mary E. Carr, national secretary, of Minneapolis, which Mrs. Agnes C. Davis is president.

The appointment of committees and the reading of reports closed the session. The committees appointed were as follows: On construction, Mrs. E. Evelyn Monroe, Worcester, Mass.,

Miss Elizabeth A. Healy, Manchester, N. H.; Miss Fanny Brainard, Cleveland, Ohio; On ritual, Mrs. Anna M. Kelley, Pueblo, Colo.; Mrs. Alice Chambers, Aurora, Ill., and Mrs. Rose Kirck, Buffalo, N. Y. On resolutions, Mrs. Lolo Spear, Joplin, Mo.; Mrs. Persis L. Sipple, Montrose, Pa.; and Miss Longfellow, Minneapolis. The credentials committee, which had already been appointed and had her at work for several days, has Miss Estelle Hering, Massillon, Ohio; Miss Agnes McCoy, Somerville, Mass., and Mrs. Gertrude Soderberg, Chicago.

The report of the secretary, Miss Estelle Hering of Massillon, Ohio, showed a good growth in the order for the past year and that new tents had been established in Missouri, Pennsylvania and Minnesota. The treasurer, Miss Carrie Kilgore of Swarthmore, Pa., reported a surplus in the treasury and that all funds are in satisfactory condition.

The report from the council meeting held last evening included a recommendation for the issuing of a blue book which is to embody decisions and rulings of past conventions, which have not been incorporated into the constitution, comprising the unwritten laws of the order.

At 12 o'clock the convention adjourned for lunch, which was served by the Mary Starkweather tent in the banquet hall of the Masonic Temple.

Afternoon adjournment was made at 4 o'clock in order that the convention might accept the invitation of the Minneapolis tent for a trolley ride. The reception, which was to have been held this evening at the headquarters of the Daughters of Veterans in the West hotel, will not be given on account of the fatigue of Corporal Tanner, who has to have been the guest of honor.

Calendar of Events for the G. A. R. Women

THIS EVENING.

National convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Wesley M. E. Church. 7:30 p.m.—Reception to James Tanner, Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., by the Daughters of Veterans, West Hotel.

8:00 p.m.—Reception for James Tanner, Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., by the Ladies of the G. A. R., West Hotel.

8 to 10 p.m.—Reception by Maine delegation, Hotel Waverley. Meeting by Palestine chapter, O. E. S. for visiting members of the order, Masonic Temple.

TOMORROW'S PROGRAM.

National convention, Woman's Relief Corps, Wesley Church.

National convention, Ladies of the G. A. R., First Baptist Church.

National convention, Daughters of Veterans, K. F. Hall, Masonic Temple.

## Bargain Friday

Tomorrow, Friday, we will put on special sale about 300 pairs of Black Kid Oxfords and Two-strap Slippers. The regular values are \$1.25 to \$1.50. In the lot are about all sizes from 5 to 10 1/2 and 11 to 12. Friday they will be on sale at choice per pair..... 48c

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