



# QUINTET OF PAST COMMANDERS HERE

Of the Fourteen, Five Are Quartered at the Knutsford Hotel.

## PLEASED WITH RECEPTION.

Among them is Corporal James Tanner of Washington, who was factor in bringing G. A. R. here.

Of 14 past commanders-in-chief of the Grand Army of the Republic now living, five are present in Salt Lake City. They are quartered at the Knutsford, and each had a good word for Salt Lake and its reception to the Grand Army.

Gen. S. S. Burdett of Washington, D. C., commander-in-chief of G. A. R. during 1885, said: "We are more than pleased with the reception accorded the veterans by Salt Lake. This will be one of the memorable encampments in the history of the Grand Army."

Ell Torrance of Minneapolis, Minn., commander-in-chief in 1901, expressed himself as being highly pleased with the prospects for a most successful encampment. "Your city is doing it up in the true western style," said Gen. Torrance, "and the encampment cannot but be successful."

John R. King of Baltimore, Md., was commander-in-chief in 1904. "It looks good to me," said Gen. King, "we are having the time of our lives. Salt Lake is a good town. It's going to be a big encampment."

## Who's Who and What's What.

Among the distinguished guests at the Knutsford is John McElroy, past senior commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., and past commander of the department of the Potomac. Mr. McElroy has for 27 years been the editor of the National Tribune, the soldiers' paper at Washington. He is recognized as one of the best living authorities on the history of the Civil war, and he is now engaged in writing a number of histories of different features of the war. Gen. McElroy is being strongly pushed for commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. for 1917, and he has many friends on the ground who are urging him to consent to run for the office. "The encampment is bound to be a success," said Gen. McElroy. "I am glad the Grand Army came to Salt Lake. It is a liberal education to the members of the Army who have never been west before, and so to thousands of eastern and western visitors who have always wanted to come to Salt Lake."

One of the pleasing events accompanying the arrival of the Commander-in-chief at his headquarters Saturday evening was the serenade given him by the Ladies' G. A. R. band of this city. In response to the serenade Rev. John Fletcher Spence, A. M., L. L. D., chaplain-in-chief of the Grand Army, spoke to the band in behalf of the commander, thanking them for their consideration and sweet music. Spence is from sunny Tennessee, and besides his activity in Grand Army matters he is a well known educator in the southern state. He is the founder of the American Temperance University of Harriman, Tenn., and served from 1883, for 10 years as its chancellor.

Rev. Spence spoke from the pulpit of the First M. E. church yesterday and has accepted an invitation to address the members of the local Y. M. C. A. next Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Ida Shotts Pentreath, chairman of the national executive board of the Women's Relief Corps, is also quartered at the Knutsford. Mrs. Pentreath expressed her pleasure at visiting Salt Lake, and said there was a good attendance of the W. R. C. here.

A prominent character in the woman's work of the G. A. R., a member of the National executive board of the W. R. C., past president of the department of the Potomac, and associate editor of the National Tribune, is Isabel Worrell Ball, who is present in Salt Lake and quartered at the Knutsford. She is a charming woman, and has occupied her present position with the National Tribune for seven years. Prior to that she was one of the national newspaper correspondents, being the only woman ever admitted to the press gallery at Washington. "Oh, the boys of the press gallery are all fine fellows," said she, "and they always treated me just like one of them. I regretted, very much having to leave the 'gallery,' but the requirements on my time on the National Tribune are sufficient to take up my time." Miss Ball knows all the G. A. R. people from one end of the country to the other, and in fact she pretty well acquainted with everybody who ever amounted to anything in Washington.

Another prominent newspaper woman of the national capital, who is "doing" the encampment in Salt Lake, is C. Nora Sawyer, who edits the "Household Hints" column of the National Tribune. She is delighted with Salt Lake and the encampment. "Salt Lake is of the life-giving kind," said Mrs. Sawyer. "I do not wonder that your people are so vigorous and their welcome to the Grand Army so whole-souled."

Mrs. Sawyer is entertaining a distinguished guest in the person of Mayor Martin Behrman of New Orleans. Mayor Behrman is accompanied by Mrs. Behrman, a son and a daughter, and they expect to remain here for several days. The visitors express great delight with Salt Lake City and the west generally. This is Mayor Behrman's first visit to this part of the country.

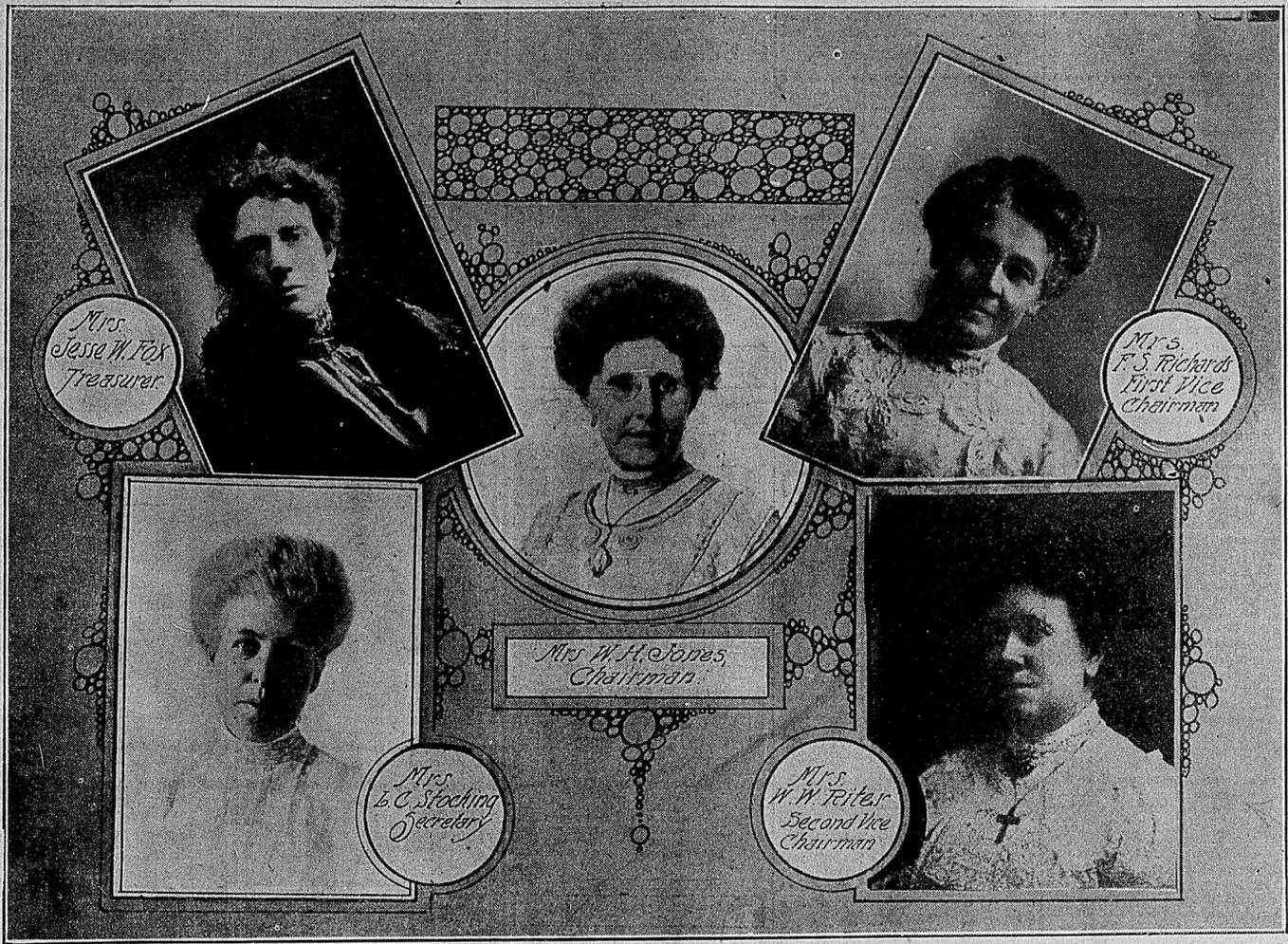
Mayor Behrman, who is a prominent Elk, attended the Los Angeles convention, and since that time has visited San Francisco, Seattle and Portland. He is now serving his second term as mayor of the Crescent city. His second election being without opposition. Mayor Behrman is most popular in his home state because of the remarkable progress made in New Orleans under his administration, notably the war on the yellow fever mosquito, improvements on sewers, a new drainage system, the abolition of cisterns, a new water system, and the erection of new school buildings, three high schools at a cost of \$6,000,000 and a new belt railroad.

Mayor Behrman was a leading factor in securing the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Deep Waterways convention the coming November. President Taft will attend the convention and will go to New Orleans from St. Louis by steamboat.

G. H. Pulver, of Villisca, Iowa, is a member of the old Third Iowa infantry, mustered in June 11, 1861, and he was with the fighters who followed "Fay" Price down into the southern Missouri swamps, and thence were taken over for the battles of Shiloh, Pittsburg Landing and Corinth. After the battle of Shiloh the wounded to the number of 1,200, were loaded on the old "War

# G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT

## G. A. R. Women's Citizens' Committee



## THE MAN WHO DID NOT GO TO CHURCH YESTERDAY DECORATED



Photo By Harry Shilper. TYPICAL HOME DECORATION ON THIRD AVENUE.

The tiny clink of the hammer striking the tack sounded merrily throughout the residential sections of the city yesterday—and the sound was itself a sufficient and good excuse for the errand church-going husband. That it was a good one, far better than the promise of a basketful of trout, or the enticing prospect of the shade of the canyons or park resorts, was seen in the ready willingness of the good housewife and gentle mother to aid and abet in the excuse for absence from the church and to even assist. It was all for the G. A. R. For the past week the husband and head of the house has been seeing the decorations go up down town, turning the business section into a mass of well-

coming color. He was satisfied with that, and really thought they had done fairly well—and quietly waited until his day of rest. The rest day was put in showing the business section that it could not outvie the residences. Long before Sunday morning breakfast time the head of the house was out in working clothes, a bundle of bunting and flags in both arms and equipped with a plentiful supply of tacks. Then the tap, tap, tap, interspersed with sounds that can't well be spelled as occasionally the hammer would slip and find a resting place on the thumb. The smashed thumb, the strenuous toilsome labors to get a corner of the flag in its proper place, or the bunting to hang in draping folds as the artistic eye of the head of the house thought it should hang, just to show the helpmeet that he did know what he was doing—these were all forgotten

towards noon when he was able to stand back and look at his work with the prideful feeling that his house showed his patriotism and honor for the veterans. The whole-spread feeling of welcome to the veterans was manifested yesterday in the decorations of the houses. Out into the farthest suburbs the rows of houses presented what seemed from a distance an endless stream of red, white and blue, dotted here and there with the crossed banners, and wreaths of the national colors. In the close-in residential sections the neighbors have vied with each other in the artistic decoration of their homes and lawns in honor of the visiting veterans, and many a pretty picture in the design and the color scheme of the red, white and blue banded against and hung among the green foliage and shrubbery, is to be met with by the stroller along the street.

Corporal James Tanner of the Eighty-seventh New York volunteers, who lost both his legs in the second battle of Bull Run, is attending the encampment. He left the tailor's bench when he was an apprentice to join the army and to his occupation he contributes the loss of his legs. He was sitting cross-legged when a shell fell in his lap and exploded. He was carried to the hospital, where he lay for months before he recovered. He is now known as a clever politician and a wonderful orator.

L. E. O'Donnell of Chicago, who fought through the war with the Sixty-fourth Ohio infantry, is making badges as usual for his comrades. He has attended 25 encampments in every year he meets some of his old friends who order badges from him. He made

## BIG CROWD TO WELCOME CHIEF

Five Thousand at Depot to Greet Gen. Henry M. Nevius and Staff.

## COMPLIMENTS SALT LAKE.

And Predicts One of the Best if Not the Largest Encampment in G. A. R. Annals.

The arrival of Commander-in-Chief Henry M. Nevius, and his staff over the Oregon Short Line at 9:30 Saturday evening was the signal for the throwing out of the latch string of every house in Salt Lake City in welcome of the veterans and visitors to the forty-third encampment of the G. A. R. The train was four hours behind schedule, but there were nearly 5,000 people at the depot to meet the commander. The official delegation to extend welcome to Commander Nevius consisted of a delegation from the department of Utah, headed by Department Commander Lucian H. Smyth, traveling direct to Salt Lake from New Jersey, the commander-in-chief and the members of his party were worn and fatigued and as soon as possible the party was driven to the national headquarters of the G. A. R. at the Knutsford hotel, but not before Commander Nevius took occasion to compliment Salt Lake upon the welcome she had extended to the party and to the G. A. R. in its forty-third encampment.

"I am simply delighted with Salt Lake," said he; "I cannot put it too strongly. Your city has outdone itself in preparing for this encampment. I am satisfied with everything, and I am confident that this will be one of the best, if not the largest, encampment in the history of the Grand Army."

### LIST OF STAFF.

Accompanying the commander-in-chief were the following: Adjutant General Frank O. Cole and wife of Jersey City, N. J.; Quartermaster General Cola D. R. Stovits of Buffalo; Chaplain-in-chief John F. Spence, Knoxville, Ind.; Assistant Quartermaster General, J. Henry Holcomb of Philadelphia; William J. Patterson of Pittsburg, member of the national executive committee; Past Commander-in-Chief, Ell Torrance of Minneapolis; Past Commander-in-Chief C. G. Burton, Nevada; Miss Clara F. Goober of Chicago, president of the Daughters of Veterans; Mrs. Genevieve Hager Longfield Lane of Chicago, president of the Ladies of the G. A. R.; Mrs. Mary E. Gilman of Boston, president of the Woman's Relief Corps; J. R. Wees and wife of Jersey City, N. J.; S. H. Vallery of Denver, past commander-in-chief; D. G. Adams, the King of Baltimore, and Mrs. Nellie Roberts of Kansas City.

badges yesterday for two veterans whom he had not seen for 20 years.

Joel Hume, a mining man from Osceola, Nev., and a member of company I, One Hundred and Thirteen Illinois, is watching every train for his brother, John H. Hume of the Fourth Illinois cavalry, whom he has not seen in 20 years. Hume is at the Wilson hotel.

Every veteran is a story teller of more or less merit, and one of the most interesting to reach Salt Lake City is Gen. Benjamin F. Bryant of La Crosse, Wis., past commander of the department of Wisconsin, and one of the best informed authorities on Civil war affairs in the country. As he sat in the Knutsford hotel yesterday he told of the dramatic aspects of the battle of Chickamauga and the "Mad" Gordon Granger's troops and how they saved the day. The story as told by Gen. Bryant shows how Gen. Granger broke orders and came to the assistance of "Thomas" army just as it was about to break. The howling rain pouring over Granger came over the hills like a pack of wolves and 3,500 strong they swept down to the assistance of the beleaguered troops and the day was carried.

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