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Fort
Snelling
Chapel

A
Minnesota
Memorial

The Fort Snelling Chapel

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The Snelling Soldiers Want a Chapel.

The soldiers at Fort Snelling have demonstrated the fact that they want a decent chapel. They have raised not less than Four Thousand Dollars during the past four years for this purpose. Most of this came from enlisted men who are getting but \$21.00 per month. The wives of the enlisted men at Fort Snelling have an organization known as "The Chapel Aid Society". During the past four years they have raised upwards of \$600.00 for the chapel fund in addition to assisting the Chaplain in various charitable and social enterprises. The 200 children of the garrison have also saved their pennies for the chapel which they hope some day to have. They have asked for "Bread", Minnesota citizens will not give them a stone of cold indifference.

The Government and Chapel Construction.

There is no likelihood that the Government will ever undertake to build chapels at military reservations. Only one has ever thus been provided for, and that was at West Point Military Academy. Annual reports of the Secretary of war for the past few years have all emphasized the fact that one of the reasons for a low morale in the army is because of the improper housing facilities. Upwards of 40,000 of the young men in our small army are living under canvass or in shabby old can-

tonement structures built during the World War. If the government builds one chapel it must expect to build not less than 100. This would involve an expense totaling millions of dollars. It is unlikely that the small appropriations for the army will be used for the building of chapels when there is such an urgent demand for economy, and when barracks are so badly needed.

Statement of Finances.

The architect's plans call for a chapel and community center building with facilities for Sunday Schools for both children and adults, for social rooms and library space, all of which, without furnishings, will cost approximately \$70,000.00. Residents of the Twin Cities and of the garrison have raised about \$50,000.00. Work has been accomplished on the foundation by soldiers which represents an expenditure of about \$6,000.00. Bids for the chapel structure, plus architect's fees, call for an outlay of some \$65,000.00. The amount needed to commence building is approximately \$15,000.00.

Will Make Vocal Essential Unity of Church.

The Snelling Memorial Chapel project is an inter-church responsibility. When completed the Chapel will be available for the use of Protestants, Catholics and Jews. Seldom has a project drawn the church people of a state or community together in the bonds of a common task as this united effort has done. It has its patriotic appeal, but it also has in it the challenge of the missionary necessity. Such an effort as this makes vocal the one

fact which needs to be expressed today as never before—that we are united; and that it is the aim of all to make this world a better world, and so prepare men for future eventualities.

Not China, Or India, But Minnesota.

The 1,400 boys at Fort Snelling come from the homes of Minnesota parents and from the Northwest. A recent census shows that the religious affiliations of the soldiers at Fort Snelling are substantially as follows: Catholics 275; Methodists 250; Lutherans 225; Baptists 175; Presbyterians 125; Episcopalians 100; Congregationalists 75. Many come from homes where religion has played no part at all or where it has been a matter of contention. A pan sectarian chapel at Fort Snelling, made possible by the united gifts of all, will do much to win all these soldiers to a higher morality and to a more vital faith; it will also do much to re-habilitate the faith of those who, through no fault of their own, have lapsed into indifference and unbelief. This task constitutes a challenge and a responsibility as well as an opportunity for Minnesota citizens.

A Minnesota Memorial.

The proposed chapel will be a unique and most distinctive Minnesota memorial. In architecture it retains the Motif of the old Fort Snelling Round Tower, built in 1822, and of the first governor's residence, the historic Sibley House at Mendota. Into its rugged masonry will be glorified the gifts of ex-service men, gold-star mothers, soldiers and little children; as well, also, as the more substantial gifts of Minnesota business men, commercial institutions, patriotic organizations and churches of all denominations.

HEWITT & BROWN, ARCHITECTS
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RAYMOND L. AMOS

April 24, 1928

Chaplain Frank C. Rideout
Headquarters
Fort Snelling, Minn.

Dear Chaplain Rideout:

In answer to your letter of the 20th we find it rather difficult to put together a description, particularly with an interpretation of the symbols used in the tower and over the front entrance. We are quite confident that you can read into them all the interpretation needed and ~~ex~~couch it in better language than we can.

As to the winged figure on the tower with a reversed sword, I presume it could be interpreted as a symbol of peace, while the reversed sword could be taken as a symbol of mourning, or rather veneration for those who have given their lives in the service of the country.

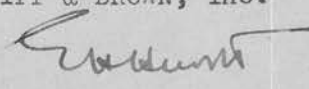
As for the coat of arms, it would hardly seem necessary to say much about it other than that it does symbolize the national character of the Chapel, that it is attached to the military branch of the Government, while the crossed tomahawks were merely added to indicate the reminiscence of the menacing dangers of the frontier and the protection afforded by the Post.

We believe that you had better secure photographs since our drawings are purely sketches. Our work consisted largely in guiding the sculptor in developing the themes indicated. The sketches or drawings, therefore, would be inadequate for publication.

Mr. Brown has persuaded me that I should be the one to obtain a photograph, so I shall have same taken and sent to you at an early date.

Very sincerely yours,

HEWITT & BROWN, Inc.

By 

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SR. VICE COMMANDER
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DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA
ORGAN FUND HEADQUARTERS
754 BUILDERS EXCHANGE
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Dear Comrade:

The Fort Snelling Chapel, a memorial to Minnesota's soldiers, is virtually finished. All that remains to make it a completed entity is the installation of an organ.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars have volunteered to raise a fund to purchase this organ and install it as a permanent memorial to Minnesota's men who have died on foreign soil in the service of their country. Their offer has been accepted by the Fort Snelling Chapel Association; and has received the indorsement of Governor Theodore Christianson, who has consented to serve as honorary chairman of the campaign.

The Fort Snelling Chapel and the memorial organ will serve not only the permanent garrison of 2,500 men, women and children, but also the Reserve Officers, the R.O.T.C. and the thousands of boys from all over the Northwest who attend the Civilian Military Training Camps in the summertime. The project stands forth as a great patriotic enterprise, deserving of the support of every citizen of Minnesota.

Members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars themselves are making substantial contributions to the fund. They are offering their friends an opportunity to help them raise the remainder needed. You are urged to help make a record for the V.F.W. It is the first time our Great Order has endeavored to put over a proposition of this kind. The Public is with us. Let's put it across. Working together we are certain to succeed.

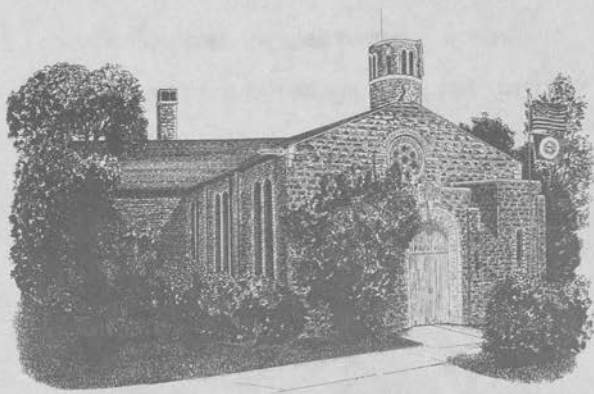
Checks should be made payable to "V.F.W. ORGAN FUND" and mailed to "Veterans of Foreign Wars Organ Fund", 754 Builders Exchange, Minneapolis.

Very sincerely yours,

State Encampment, Austin, Minnesota, June 7, 8, & 9, 1928

2001.

Fort Snelling Veterans Memorial Chapel



Prior to 1924 chapel services were held in various buildings on the Fort Snelling complex.

A request was made by the Sunday school children that a base chapel be built. In a formal request by the Garrison Commander, the War Department granted permission. The chapel was built at a cost of \$54,725 covered by popular subscription.

At its dedication on June 10, 1928, Chaplain Frank C. Rideout who had been the inspiration for its erection, stated:

"Primarily the Chapel will be a house of worship... but it will be much more — it is a unique and distinctive Minnesota memorial, a splendid monument to the patriotism, the moral earnestness and the convictions of the people of this state. It will be perpetual reminder of their appreciation of those who made the supreme sacrifice in all our great wars...it will provide a shrine where the friends of those who have died for America may come, as on a holy pilgrimage, and offer up their thanks to Almighty God for the precious gift of friends who have been so fondly loved, and are now lost awhile."

The military post was deactivated in 1946 and later the Chapel was scheduled to be demolished to make room for the highways which now crisscross the area. The Chapel fell into disuse and was subject to vandalism.

Dr. Clifford Ansgar Nelson, widely known for his service as Chaplain to the Minnesota Senate and president of the Minnesota Council of Churches, decided that if the original purposes of the Chapel were to be kept alive a foundation would be needed. The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation was formed in 1966. Dr. Nelson was officially called to serve as chaplain of the newly formed Foundation.

The Chapel was built to honor the memory of those who served our country and especially those who have given their lives for all of us. Throughout the year chapel services include tributes to the members of the armed forces. Visitors come from all over the state for these veteran remembrances. Veteran's organizations and associations from across the state participate in these worship services at the Chapel.



Every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. a non-denominational worship service is scheduled. The worship service, sponsored by the Foundation, is planned to appeal to people of all Christian faiths.

The worship service is followed by a coffee hour and fellowship in the undercroft. Special music is provided each Sunday by excellent choirs and guest soloists from schools and colleges and churches from around the state.

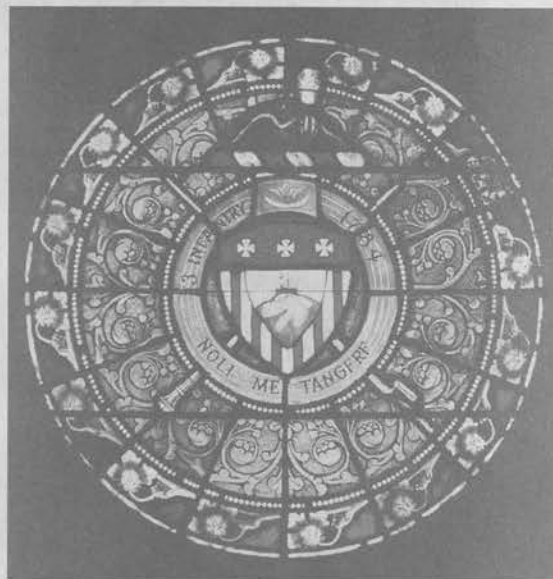
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The first services under auspices of the Foundation were held on Feb. 12, 1967, and continue today to be held every Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

All who are interested in Minnesota history will enjoy the more than 80 memorials found throughout the Chapel:



One of the stained glass windows bears the coat of arms of the Third U.S. Infantry, oldest in the U.S. Army, whose home base was at Fort Snelling.

The many colorful flags on display were carried by Minnesotans in battle.

Windows honor pioneer military leaders and churchmen, including Gideon and Samuel Pond, who came to the fort in 1834 as missionaries to the Indians.



The three-manual organ was a gift of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Minnesota and its Auxiliary, and the original chimes, of the state's American Legion Auxiliary.

The wood carvings, regimental symbols and more make worship at the Chapel an experience filled with memories of Minnesota's rich history.



The marble baptismal font is a memorial to Elizabeth R. Snelling, daughter of COL Josiah Snelling who designed Fort Snelling and served as

its commandant from 1820 to 1824. The font is carved from her original tombstone.

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MOTHERS' DAY

Sunday, May 11, 1924
Fort Snelling, Minn.

Published as a Tribute to the Mothers of the Officers and Enlisted Men of the Fort Snelling Command, and as a Reminder of a Duty which we owe to them this day.

COLONEL WILLIAM R. SAMPLE, U. S. ARMY
Commanding Officer

REVEREND FRANK C. RIDEOUT, B. A., B. D.
Chaplain, U. S. Army



WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: Mothers' Day.

TO: Chiefs of all War Department Branches and Bureaus.

You are directed to bring to the attention of every officer and enlisted man in your command, the desire of the Secretary of War that each officer and enlisted man write a letter to his home on Mothers' Day, the second Sunday in May, May 11, 1924, as an expression of the love and reverence we owe to the mothers of our country.

By order of the Secretary of War.

ROBERT C. DAVIS, The Adjutant General.

AN ENQUIRY FOR MOTHERS' DAY

Say, Soldier! When did you last write to your mother? If she is forever gone from you, how often do you think of her? Do you realize that all you are or ever hope to be, started away back there when your Mother, her whole being pulsating with pride, held you tight, and with eyes lustered and watered with love, watched your very breath, and kept pace over the hours, with your faintest heart throbs? Think of how, all through those days of your helplessness, she wrapped you about in her unselfishness, and protected you in a thousand sacrifices. Remember, too, that the measure of your success in life will be the degree of honor which you pay to your mother and to motherhood. Yes, son! You'll be a great man, if you reach the topmost round of your mother's hopes and prayers. Why not let her memory guide and inspire you now, even as you in your helpless innocence and loveliness once guided and inspired her?

WHAT EVERY TRUE MAN OUGHT TO DO ON MOTHERS' DAY

1. Write her a letter telling her that you appreciate and reciprocate her love and her many sacrifices for you.
2. Wear a pink wild flower in memory of the purity and strength of her love. If she has gone to Heaven, wear a white flower in token of the fidelity with which you intend to keep her precepts.
3. Go to church, if possible, both for her sake and for your own sake. Remember her teachings, and answer her prayers by BEING the best possible sort of a man.
4. Resolve, from this day onward, to respect and keep inviolate the honor of all womankind. For this is the best tribute a noble man can pay to his Mother.

"Pure as the unsullied streams that flow
From rocky founts through vales below;
Holy as angels' thoughts above
Is that blest one—a mother's love."

—Selected.

YOUR MOTHER

She traveled the journey before you,
She has known all the cost of the way.
She paid out the price to its fullness,
That motherhood only can pay.

She loved when the world was against you,
She hoped when your hope sank and died;
She clung to your hand, when the clinging
Left scars in her heart deep and wide.

She labored and loved and was happy
For, down deep in her kind heart she knew
Your kindness and love would repay her
For all that she did—just for you.

—Selected.

THOUGHTS FOR MOTHERS' DAY

The best monument that a man can erect in loving memory of his mother is himself. It will be the costliest to build, but it will last the longest; and in the end it will be the means of placing the brightest jewel in her crown.

MOTHER is the name for GOD, on the lips and in the hearts of little children.

SUGGESTION FOR YOUR MOTHERS' DAY LETTER

Fort Snelling, Minn., May 11, 1924.

My Dear Mother:

This is Mothers' Day and the War Department has requested that every officer and soldier who wears the uniform of our nation write a letter home today "as an expression of the love and reverence we owe to the mothers of our country."

I really did not need this admonition, mother, as you know, for I am determined to be your same boy, only, I hope, a better boy than I have ever been before. You perhaps may not have a clever or a brilliant son, but I have tried to keep up to the standard of morals in which you trained me, and which I believe in; and though it costs something at times, I am repaid in a lump sum every time I am able to state that I have kept myself clean. Sometimes I have been asked "Why?" and, besides other reasons, I have been able to say, "My Mother and my Dad believe that I am just as good away from home as I would be under their own roof. They trust me, and I would do anything rather than break that trust with my dad, or bring a blush of shame to my mother's sweet face."

And I have found, too, that though the world may sometimes bluster and scoff at morality and the good old fashioned religion—the kind that you have lived in the dear old home—all men respect the fellow who remembers the home training, and they will trust him always in preference to others.

I am so happy, dear Mother and Dad, that you have given to me such a legacy of pure blood and clean life—something far better than silver and gold; and I trust that this letter, and my determination to follow the precious example of godly parents, may be, in part at least, your reward for all that you have suffered and endured and planned for me.

Affectionately,

YOUR SON.

MY MOTHER

Of all the words of tongue or pen,
Of all the thoughts of mortal men,
There is no word, there is no thought
So dear to me as that one taught
At childhood's dawn,
Long years ago:
That precious word, with visions fraught,
Is "Mother."

The days are many since she pressed
My baby head upon her breast;
The months have gone with flying feet—
Our youthful years are all too fleet:
But calm and clear
I still can hear
The voice of her—than life more sweet—
My Mother.

Not always have I walked the way
She taught to me, from day to day;
Sometimes I may have scorned her care,
And made her burden hard to bear;
But here, this hour—
God grant me power!
I'll walk her way, I'll heed her prayer—
And make her glad—
My Mother.

—Thomas Curtis Clark.

"Most all other beautiful things in life come by twos and threes, by dozens and hundreds! Plenty of roses, stars, sunsets, rainbows; brothers and sisters, aunts and cousins, but only one mother in all the wide, wide world."

—Kate Douglas Wiggin.

A TOAST

TO ALL GOOD MOTHERS everywhere, of every race and of every clime! They have not withstood the shock of battle array, but they have withstood the greater shock of enduring suspense and loneliness! They have not given their lives on the battlefield, but they have made the greater sacrifice of giving something more precious than life itself—for every true mother's son is more precious than her own heart's blood! These mothers of men have made greater sacrifices than mere men were capable of making—they have been patient with us in the long drawn out days and nights of our tender, helpless, and often petulant infancy; they have crooned their sweetest lullabies in our restless hours, and have joined in our innocent, childish play with all the enthusiasm of a best pal; they have watched over us in sickness, they have been patient with us in our wilfulness, they have toiled long hours that flowers might spring along our pathway, and they have reserved for us the daintiest dishes that our lips have ever tasted. They have cherished for us the fondest dreams of successful manhood and unsullied character, and at last, when their precious spirits have taken flight into the ethereal realms of the Great Beyond they have still followed us out across the long stretches of the vast eternity with their fondest prayers. O, Mothers of Men, God hallow your memory, and make us worthy of your dear love.

DEDICATION SERVICE
Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Chimes

PRESENTED AND DEDICATED BY THE
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA

*In Memory of the Minnesota Men and Women
who died during the World War*

SUNDAY, APRIL 6th, 1930
10:30 A. M.

The Reverend Harry W. Bell, Wadena, Minnesota,
American Legion Department Chaplain, Presiding

Mrs. John Zrust, Glencoe, Minnesota,
American Legion Auxiliary Department Chaplain, Master of Ceremonies

PROGRAM

MUSIC - - - - - *Selected*

THIRD INFANTRY BAND, Fort Snelling

CHURCH CALL

BUGLERS from Third Infantry, Fort Snelling
(The above numbers outside of Chapel, weather permitting)

ORGAN PRELUDE—"Jubilate Deo" - - - - - *Silver*

JOHN JACOB BECK

PROCESSIONAL HYMN—"Onward, Christian Soldiers"—Hymn No. 132

National American Legion Auxiliary Glee Club, Color Guard of
Third Infantry in Continental Army Uniform; Colors of American
Legion and American Legion Auxiliary in procession.

OPENING SENTENCES—Presiding Chaplain

Numbers 10:10 and II Chronicles 20:21

INVOCATION—Reverend Harry W. Bell

LORD'S PRAYER (in unison; with chimes for seven petitions)

ANTHEM—"God Shall Wipe Away All Tears"

MINNESOTA AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY QUARTETTE

Vera Druliner McCoy, Mildred Storey Colby,

Ann Werring, Florence Scallen

MRS. H. A. PATTERSON, *Director*

SCRIPTURE READING

PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

Reverend William J. Harrington
Former Chaplain 151st Field Artillery and American Legion

"AMERICA"—No. 158, Army Hymn Book (Congregation)

CHIMES SOLO—"Christmas in Sicily" - - - - - *Yon*

JOHN JACOB BECK

"OUR APPRECIATION"—Mr. E. V. Cliff, Ortonville, Minnesota

Department Commander, American Legion

ANTHEM—"Faith, Hope and Love"

NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY GLEE CLUB

Mrs. H. A. Patterson, Director

Mrs. Oscar Youngdahl, Accompanist

PRESENTATION OF CHIMES

MRS. A. E. AMUNDSEN, Little Falls, Minnesota

Department President, American Legion Auxiliary

ACCEPTANCE AND RESPONSE

COLONEL W. C. SWEENEY, Commanding Officer, Fort Snelling

DEDICATION OF CHIMES

ADALIN WRIGHT MACAULEY, Menomonie, Wisconsin

Former National President, American Legion Auxiliary and FIDAC Auxiliary

DOXOLOGY—"Praise God from Whom All Blessing Flow" (Page 295 Hymnal)

PRAYER—Rabbi Harry S. Margolis, St. Paul, Minn.

CHIMES SOLO—"O'er Still Meadows" - - - - - *Gordon Balch Nevin*

BENEDICTION—Reverend Gynther Storaasli, Chaplain, Fort Snelling

RECESSIONAL HYMN—"America, The Beautiful"

NATIONAL AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY GLEE CLUB and CONGREGATION

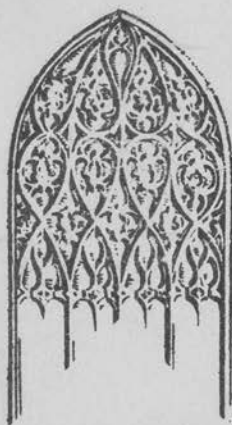
ORGAN POSTLUDE—"Marche in F" - - - - - *Archer*

JOHN JACOB BECK

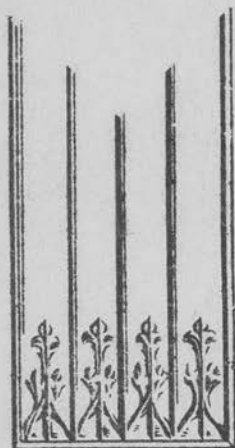
The Dedication Services are being broadcast by KSTP

+ 930- Property Of Pvt Arnold E Kahmet
formerly of Company "C" 3rd US Infantry, Fort
Snelling, Minnesota, ASN 6767799, Age now 24
Born: Kaukauna, Wisconsin. Played basketball,
Baseball (Pitcher) and track & field events. Employed
at the Golden Gulch Department Store, 7th St &
Robert, Saint Paul, Minnesota. Parents are
Henry & Cora Kahmet Brothers Henry, Roland
& Harold Kahmet. Henry is married to Leona
Lindahl, Roland to Hermita Schroeder (Nurse
from Long Prairie, Minnesota. Harold
unmarried. Arnold unmarried, because
of my background, working here and there,
but I have great inspirations to re-join the
United Army. I believe there is a great future
in store for me, when I again join the
Armed Forces I will enlist in the Coast
Artillery, Philippine Department in December
1930. I have a great desire to travel and
see the world as a US Soldier. The
opportunities great, because one can see
the all over, Choices of branches of the
US Army etc.

I am a Wisconsin Synod Lutheran,
Confirmed in 1921. My father is a Lutheran
School Teacher, all four brothers graduated
for Lutheran Parochial Schools, Reedsville,
and Saint Paul, Minnesota Schools. This
is a true and sincere wish to make myself
a good citizen etc. Arnold E Kahmet Age 24
October 1924.



A VESPER MUSICALE



presenting—

Mildred Challman, Organist
Cpl. Julius L. Krause, Pianist
Sgt. Graham H. Gower, Baritone

P O S T C H A P E L

4:30 o'clock

Fort Snelling, Minnesota
Colonel Harry J. Keeley

September 3, 1944
Commanding

P R O G R A M

Instrumental duo:

SERAPHIC SONG("Kamenoi Ostrow")	Rubinstein-Gaines
ANGELS BRIGHT AND FAIR	Handel-Kohlman
AVE MARIA	Schubert-Kohlman

Voice:

WERE YOU THERE (Spiritual)	Arr. Manney
MY LORD, WHAT A MORNING (Spiritual)	Arr. Burleigh
SUNDAY	Carew

Duo:

FINLANDIA	Sibelius-Kohlman
ECCOSAISE	Beethoven-Kosakoff
AWAKENING	Engelmann-Spross
MOMENT MUSICALE	Schubert-Kosakoff

Voice:

RECOMPENSE	Sanderson
THE HORN	Flegier
QUIET	Sanderson

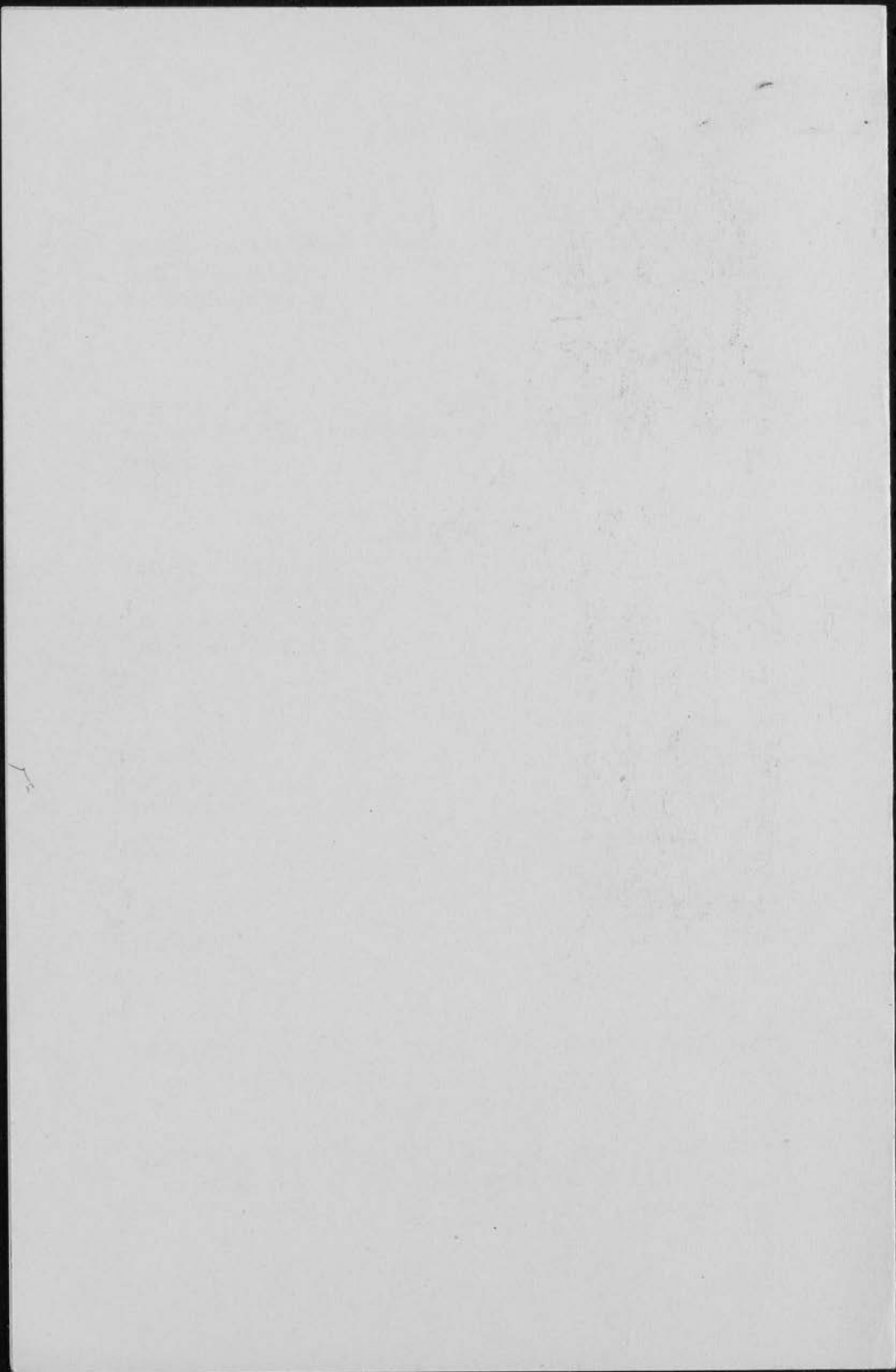
Duo:

SERENADE	Widor
GRAND ARIA	Demarest

Ensemble:

THE LORD'S PRAYER	Malotte
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The fourth in the series of Vesper musicales will
be presented on September 17, at 4:30 o'clock.





Minneapolis, Minn

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March 20, 1928

Received of

CHAPLAIN FRANK C. RIDEOUT

THE SUM OF

THREE HUNDRED and No/100

Dollars

Check of the Minnesota Dept. American Legion, for pews for

Chapel.

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MINN. CO-B-3rd Inf 1926-1929.
age 23. PAGE THREE

D. A. R. WILL ERECT SNELLING CHAPEL

1928 1925

State Organization Adopts Plan
to Build Memorial on Mili-
tary Reservation

SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA 1925.

Erection of a memorial chapel at Fort Snelling will be one of the chief projects the Minnesota Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, will undertake this year.

A resolution for such a memorial, presented by Mrs. W. J. Donahower, former regent of St. Paul chapter, was unanimously adopted at the annual congress in St. Paul.

The chapel will be the first of its kind ever erected on the reservation—heretofore services have always been conducted in the hall of the post school building.

Movement on the resolution followed a request for such a building made by Captain Frank C. Rideout, chaplain at Fort Snelling, who said permission for the building had already been granted by the war department.

Unanimous approval was also given the resolution indorsing adequate defense, introduced by Mrs. Amy Robbins Ware, chairman of the resolutions committee.

A plea for Minnesota's half a million foreign born was made by Mrs. K. E. Mo, national vicechairman of the Americanization committee of the D. A. R.

"What are we doing to get an understanding of them and to give them a chance to understand us?" she asked. "Suppose you went to Bulgaria, what would you want the Daughters of the Macedonian Conquest to do for you? Do the same for our Minnesota foreign born."

CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

OFFICIAL
CITY SEAL

GEORGE E. LEACH
Mayor

February 14, 1925.

Chaplain Frank C. Rideout
Fort Snelling,
Minnesota.

My dear Chaplain:-

For twenty years I have been in the National Guard of Minnesota and during that time I have been closely associated with every soldier activity at Fort Snelling.

I thoroughly endorse your plan for providing a house of worship there. During the twenty years mentioned, and especially during mobilization for the Mexican Service and for the World War, I have seen thousands and thousands of the best men of the nation go through the Snelling camps. Each year it is my privilege to take part in some, and observe all of the various training camps at Fort Snelling, and I think, believing as I do that the greatest thing in life is Christianity, that it is little short of an outrage that this reservation has not been provided with a church.

I am not a man of means. My contribution would be as nothing in furthering your project, but if there is any influence in my public or private life that I can bring to bear on the successful completion of your program, please command me.

The people of Minneapolis and Saint Paul, and of the State of Minnesota, should respond generously, and you can use my name in any way you see fit to bring the matter to their favorable attention.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) GEORGE E. LEACH
Mayor

A TRUE COPY:

Frank C. Rideout
Captain, Chaplain, U.S.A.

HEADQUARTERS
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

may Hanner

October 29, 1926.

SPECIAL MEMORANDUM:

1. First Lieut. H. T. Jensen, 3rd Infantry, is, in addition to his other duties, placed in charge of the construction of the Post Chapel, and will report to Major Max R. Wainer, Q. M. C., for instructions.

2. The following named enlisted-men will report to Lt. Jensen, at the Post Chapel Site, 8:00 a. m., Monday, November 1, 1926, and daily thereafter, until relieved by orders from these Headquarters:

Corporal Clyde Lohf, Battery C, 9th F. A.,
Private Rasmussen, Rasmus, Co. A, 3rd Infantry,
Private Cirov B. Wilson, Co. C, 3rd Infantry,
Private Jess V. Hagadorn, Co. D, 3rd Infantry,
PFC. Frank D. Whitten, Co. H, 3rd Infantry,
PFC. George Hesoh, Co. L, 3rd Infantry,
PFC. Oscar W. Gish, Co. M, 3rd Infantry,

3. The Prison Officer will furnish, in addition to the four (4) prisoners already on this detail, two (2) prisoners, to report to Lieut. Jensen, at the Chapel Site, at 8:00 a. m., Monday, November 1, 1926, and daily thereafter until relieved by orders from these headquarters.

By order of Colonel WEISH:

James Notestein,
1st Lieut., 3rd Infantry,
Adjutant.

Distribution "A".

March 1, 1928.

Hewitt & Brown, architects,
1200 2nd Ave. So.,
City

Gentlemen:

Subject: Ft. Snelling Chapel

Referring to yours dated February 29th,
giving price of \$43.00 for small door, requested
by Chaplain Rideout, between the Chaplain's room
and Library in basement, please instruct contractor
to install said door.

Yours very truly,

W.H.V.:nce
Co/Members of
Bldg. Committee.

Chairman of Building Committee

HEADQUARTERS FORT SNELLING
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER.

Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

January 15, 1924.

Colonel John T. Axton,
Chief of Chaplains,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Axton:

I am enclosing herewith a paper which explains itself, except insofar as to say that it was a spontaneous offering by the children of the post and does express in a very forcible way a need which should be met.

I have given the matter some thought in connection with plans which have been laid before me and the history of the work already inaugurated by my predecessor. I do not feel that we should go out and beg, but an interest can be aroused in the community to the extent that Representatives and Senators from this section to use their influence to obtain a suitable appropriation from Congress. As to this particular paper that I am enclosing, I do not know any other way I can make use of it, but if you have any suggestion to make wherein it might be helpful drawing attention to the needs of the post, I should be glad to act upon your suggestion.

Chaplain Rideout is now absent on a sad mission, having recently lost his father, and if possible, he may call by and see you on his return from the East, and he will be able to personally explain to you just what the situation here is.

This is a large post and there is no question but what it should have a suitable place of worship for the officers and men of the garrison, and I stand ready to give any reasonable project my hearty backing and support.

With best regards to you and yours, I am

Sincerely,

W. R. SAMPLE,
Colonel, 3d Infantry.

WRS:RPM

11 Incl.

Fort Snelling, Minnesota.
January 6, 1924

TO THE COMMANDING OFFICER,
FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA.

1. At the regular session of the Fort Snelling Sunday School held at the Service Club this first Sunday of the New Year, we studied for our Bible lesson the story of Abraham, the father of the faithful, building an altar for the worship of God in the chosen land of Israel.

2. This reminds us of the fact that we in this post are without a suitable place for the worship of the Almighty, and, in the name of the 1500 soldiers stationed here, and the 150 children of the garrison hereby express our most earnest prayer that a House of Worship may soon be provided for. A resolution to this effect was adopted by the Sunday School this date.

3. We respectfully request that the Commanding Officer seek the assistance of the War Department, and of such civilian organizations and agencies as will, as soon as possible, provide this post with a Chapel.

Signed on behalf of the Fort Snelling Sunday School, by the Committee appointed to frame this resolution :

Elsie K. Simpson

William R. Hazelrigg

Dorothy Haller

Kenneth W. Snodgrass

Amos S. Wainer

COMMITTEE

ESTIMATE FUNDS REQUIRED
TO COMPLETE & FURNISH F.S. CHAPEL

December 9, 1928.

Cash & Good Pledges Estimated - Nov. 21, 1927	\$ 53,797.00
Baptist Donation Cash	1,000.00
Pladge Due, May 1928	1,000.00
	\$55,797.00

Contracts in Force - Nov. 21, 1927	\$ 47,433.53	
Heating Boiler - " 21, 1927	310.00	
Paid Architects - " 21, 1927	1,873.84	
Estimated Balance to pay Architects Nov. 21	2,000.00	
Finishing First Floor (Ordered Nov. 22, 1927)	2,388.00	
Cement Floor in Boiler & Coal Room	96.30	
Changing Vestry to Accommodate Organ	46.00	
Spent For Heating Plant Material	312.87	
		54,460.54
		- \$ 1,336.46

Required to Complete Building :	\$ 3,651.70	
Finish Basement	244.00	
Radiator Enclosures	183.75	
Choir Robing Cabinets		
Electric Wiring	67.00	
Additional Plumbing, Heating & Ventilation	1,721.00	
Lighting Fixtures Estimated	837.00	
Decorating	1,000.00	
	7,704.45	
	1,336.46	6,367.99

Furnishings :

Pews (American Legion)	\$2,200.00	
Altar & Reredos	800.00	
Choir Seats & Rail	400.00	
Hymnal Boards	100.00	
Pulpit (S.A.R.)	500.00	
Chancel Rail (D.A.R.)	160.00	
Balcony Seats	300.00	
Lectern (D.A.R.)	100.00	
Sunday School Room	500.00	
Kitchen Range (Provided)	100.00	
Assembly Room Seats	500.00	
Library Tables		
Chairs	500.00	6,250.00
Carving Of Front Entrance	100.00	750.00
		5,500.00
Net Balance		
Organ		10,000.00

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Cement Floor in Boiler & Coal Room	96 30	
Changing Vestry to accomodate organ	46 00	
Spent for Heating-plant Material	<u>312 87</u>	54 460 54

\$ 1 336 46

Required to Complete Building:

Finish Basement	\$ 3 651 70	
Radiator Enclosures	244 00	
Choir Robing Cabinets	183 75	
Electric Wiring	67 00	
Additional Plumbing & Heating, and Ventilation	1 721 00	
Lighting Fixtures Estimated	837 00	
Decorating	<u>1 000 00</u>	
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Furnishings:

Pews (American Legion)?	\$ 2,200.00	
Alter and Reredos	600 00	
Choir Seats and Rails	400 00	
Hymnal Boards	100 00	
Pulpit (S.A.R.)	500 00	
Chancel Rail (D.A.R.)	150 00	
Lecturn (D.A.R.)	100 00	
Balcony Seats	300 00	
Sunday School Room	500 00	
Kitchen Range (Provided)	100 00	
Assembly Room Seats	500 00	
Library Tables		
Chairs	500 00	
Carving of Front Entrance	<u>100 00</u>	6 250 00

Items Provided	750 00	
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Net Balance	5 500 00	
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Balcony Seats	300 00		
Sunday School Room	500 00		
Kitchen Range (Provided)	100 00		
Assembly Room Seats	500 00		
Library Tables			
Chairs	500 00		
Carving of Front Entrance	100 00		
	6 250 00		

Items Provided

750 00

Net Balance

5 500 00

Organ

10 000 00

10 000.00

COPY

AMERICAN SEATING COMPANY

Re: Memorial Chapel, Fort Snelling, Minn.

We Hereby agree to manufacture, deliver and install in the Memorial Chapel at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, equipment as listed below, and at the prices quoted:

AUDITORIUM

440' - 0" Pewing, including divisions, seat supports and book racks...\$2,050.00

CHANCEL FURNITURE

Altar and reredos-----	825.00
Pulpit-----	525.00
Hymn Boards-----	100.00
Lecturn-----	141.05
10' - 0" Chancel Front-----	120.00
21' - 0" #7775 Altar Rail-----	230.00
With loose cushion-----	245.00
With fixed cushion-----	265.00

XXXXXXXXXXXX

CHOIR

Choir seating complete----- \$500.00

BALCONY

70 - #9152 Chairs (more or less) Each----- 3.95

We also agree to furnish the following portable chairs, delivered to building, at following prices:

LARGE ASSEMBLY ROOM (Basement)

214 Portable chairs #205, each----- \$2.95

SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM

72 Portable Chairs #205, each-----	2.95
Sunday School Class Table #65, each-----	17.75
American Correct Posture Kindergarten Chairs, Per dozen-----	35.00
#11B - 12B - 14B, Kindergarten Chairs, Per dozen-----	28.00
Mosher Kindergarten Chairs, Per dozen-----	24.00

All of the pews and chancel furniture also to be made of carefully selected close grained plain white oak, finished according to a finish to be selected later. The balcony chairs and portable chairs for the assembly rooms are to be made of carefully selected birch and maple.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN SEATING COMPANY,
W. G. Harte

NGH:J

35,000

3,639.00 ✓

4,600.00 ✓

700.00 ✓

\$ 8,939.00

25,000.00

33,939.00

29.

CAMP SNELLING
FORT SNELLING, MINN.

On November 7, 1925, a jury was convened at Fort Snelling for the purpose of ~~and~~ selecting and judging the drawings submitted by architects in this contest. Twenty two designs had been submitted and the award was made for the drawings of Hewitt and Brown of Minneapolis.

During the months of November and December, 1925, definite plans were perfected both in Saint Paul and in Minneapolis for conducting a campaign for funds during the month of February, 1926. The Saint Paul Chapel Committee by vote definitely committed themselves to undertake to raise 40% of the necessary amount. At a meeting held in the Minneapolis Athletic Club November 27, 1926, Mr. Sumner McKnight was chosen Chairman of the Minneapolis Chapel Committee and plans were instituted for the raising of funds in Minneapolis.

At a meeting of the ~~Building~~ Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel and Community Center Association, which had been incorporated in the meantime, ~~held~~ ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~office~~ ~~of~~ held in conjunction with the members of the Building Committee at the Offices of Hewitt and Brown, Minneapolis, August 20, 1926, the following motion was adopted:

"That the Building Committee be instructed to start excavation, first floor concrete, and walls of the Chapel, and that authorization be given for the expenditure of funds to purchase the necessary materials for this work". the following additional motion was adopted at this same meeting:

"That the action of the building Committee in securing working drawings and in prosecuting the erection of the Chapel be approved".

In compliance with the above the Building Committee has secured bids for the building of the Chapel

THE FORT SNELLING CHAPEL PROJECT

On September 27, 1923, the war Department gave its approval for the building of a Chapel at Fort Snelling with the proviso that it be constructed without government funds, that it be pan sectarian, and that donations thereto be not limited to any particular sect or society.

Prior to that time a movement had been set on foot at Fort Snelling for the construction of a house of worship and a sum of approximately \$2,600.00 had been raised among the officers and soldiers of the garrison. A proposition had been made to construct the chapel with soldier labor out of stone to be hoisted from the Mississippi River bottom - the remains of the old Fort Snelling Saint Paul bridge.

A change of official personnel at Fort Snelling and certain recommendations left on record at the garrison necessitated a more complete study of the project, and ~~in 1924~~ during the fall and winter of 1923-1924 a volunteer committee of ministers and business men from Minneapolis and Saint Paul held a number of meetings in which committees were appointed. Rev. R. B. Blyth, Executive Secretary of the Minneapolis Council of Churches became Chairman of the Fort Snelling Chapel project, and Colonel Frederick Mears (Retired) who had been construction engineer during the building of the St. Paul Union Depot became Chairman of the Building Committee.

In May, 1924, Colonel Mears reported for his committee that :

- (1) It would be more expensive to build from stone from the River bottom than it would be to secure stone directly from near-by quarries.
- (2) It would cost not less than \$35,000.00 to build the small one room Chapel for which plans had been drawn as a minimum requirement for the needs of the garrison.

A number of meetings were held in Minneapolis, St. Paul and Fort Snelling during the summer and fall of 1924. Dr. Blyth and Colonel Mears both left the twin cities and changes in personnel of the Chapel Committees became necessary. In the meantime several substantial gifts for the Chapel were made by the Universalist Laymen's League, the Unity Church of St. Paul, The Norwegian Church of America and pledges of support came from patriotic, social and church organizations throughout the twin cities.

On September 14, 1925, a meeting was held at the Officers Club, Fort Snelling of business ~~men~~ and professional men from both cities at which the following decisions were agreed to :

- (1) That the garrison needs a Chapel and Community Center building sufficient for religious services, library facilities and social activities costing, with equipment, in the neighborhood of \$100,000.00.
- (2) That the Building Committee of which Mr. Walter H. Wheeler had become Chairman be instructed to conduct a contest for suitable plans in which all the architects of the state be invited to submit plans. ~~Mr.~~ Professor James Forsythe, University of Minnesota, was invited to act as expert advisor for this Committee.

Cash on Hand -	
Memorabilia -	23,012.94
Accrued Interest (Approximate)	500.00
<u>Total</u>	<u>23,512.94.</u>

Cash on Hand St. Paul.	20,583.57
	<u>52.45</u>
	20,636.02
Accrued Interest Approx.	500.00
<u>Total</u>	<u>21,136.02</u>

Cash on Hand Fort Snelling	582.53
	<u>21,718.55</u>

Grand Total	}	45,231.79
Cash available		
Unpaid Pledges		<u>18,045.94</u>
Memorabilia 580.00		
St Paul 6280.50		
<u>6860.50</u>		

Estimated collections -	6,000.00
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<u>Balance due</u>	<u>512,045.94</u>
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February 8, 1927

FORT SNELLING CHAPEL.

Cash on hand Minneapolis & Fort Snelling		\$23,012.94
Unpaid pledges	\$580.00	
Bills paid		887.98
Cash on hand St. Paul		20,483.57
Uncollected pledges	\$6,280.50	
Accrued interest St. Paul		500.00
" " Minneapolis		500.00
Estimated good pledges		5,000.00
		\$50,384.49

Bills paid by S. T. McKnight 887.98
for labor, reinforcing & material

Bills paid by St. Paul \$2,242.64 3,130.62

\$47,253.87

Work to be performed by \$54,725.00

Low Bid		
Credits		
Rubble stone	\$1,317.00	
Form lumber	100.00	
Cement	250.00	
Back fill	132.00	
Cleaning up	200.00	
Exc. & Footings	1,640.00	3,639.00 ✓
		\$51,086.00 ✓

Add for Reinforcing steel

728.00

\$51,814.00 ✓

Electric wiring \$1,053.00

Bond 15.80

Plumbing & Heating 6,190.00

Bond 102.85

7,361.65 ✓

\$59,175.65 ✓

Balance architects' fee

3,268.08 ✓

Bond on General contract

834.00

Total Cash Required

\$63,277.73

*Nathan H. Mueller, Chm.
Building Committee*

PROPERTY OF ARNOLD E KAHNERT 5621-26th Ave So, Mpls, 17 Minnesota. To-day the 9th
October Thursday Temperature 42° Cool, Married in 1937 (Alice Anderson Mpls, Minn.
Sen Bern; 8 July 1938 Fort Snelling, Minn. (Robert
Kahnert 61bs 8ozs, Doctor, Captain E. Meyers. Bldg 55 Hosp.

at this time, I therefore in acknowledgement of this act
return to you your sword". Dr. Stewart was held a prisoner in Libby
Prison until finally exchanged. Although a staunch Republican
he was elected Mayor four times of the Democratic City of
St. Paul. Appointed Postmaster in 1869, which position
he held until 1872. In this year he was nominated to the
House of Representatives Washington D.C. where he served
several terms. He then became in 1880 Surveyor General of
Minnesota. Dr. Stewart afterwards formed a partnership with
Dr. Charles A. Wheaton who had graduated in 1877 from
Harvard Medical University. In after years Dr. Wheaton
became Professor Emeritus of Surgery of the University of
Minnesota. October first 1857 Dr/ Stewart married
Miss Katharine Sweeny of Philadelphia. The death of
Dr. Stewart occurred August 25, 1884 aged fifty - *five*
years. He was remarkable for his professional abilities which
added to his genial nature made him greatly beloved.

THE FORT SNELLING CHAPEL

STATEMENT OF LOW BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION, CREDITS FOR WORK ALREADY
DONE, TOGETHER WITH STATEMENT OF CASH ON HAND AND ESTIMATES FOR
THE COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT.

Low Bid \$54,725.00

Credits for material and work to be performed
by Fort Snelling:

Rubble Stone	\$1,317.00	
Form Lumber	100.00	
Cement	250.00	
Back Fill	132.00	
Cleaning up	200.00	
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TOTAL CASH REQUIRED

\$63,277.73

CASH ON HAND

Minneapolis & Fort Snelling	\$23,012.94	
Accrued Interest (Approx)	<u>500.00</u>	

TOTAL

\$23,512.94

Saint Paul	\$20,583.57	
	52.45	
Accrued Interest (Approx)	<u>500.00</u>	

\$21,136.02

Fort Snelling

582.83

GRAND TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE
BALANCE NEEDED

\$45,231.79
18,045.94

UNPAID PLEDGES:	St. Paul	\$6,280.00	
	Minneapolis	<u>580.00</u>	

ESTIMATED COLLECTIONS

\$6,000.00

Balance needed

\$12,045.94

WALTER H. WHEELER, E. M.
Designing & Consulting Engineer
1112-10 Metropolitan Life Building

Minneapolis, Minn.,
February 8, 1927.

Fort Snelling Chapel & Community Center Assoc., Inc.
Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

Gentlemen:

Subject: Proposed Chapel Building.

Pursuant to your instructions last August, the Building Committee ordered the excavations made for the Chapel Building, stone delivered on the ground, concrete foundations, basement walls and first floor constructed and bids for the construction of the building.

The excavation is now completed, the rubble stone for the building is on the ground and part of the concrete foundation is complete. The plans and specifications for the building have been completed and bids received for the construction as per tabulation herewith.

According to these bids and our understanding of the credits which the authorities at Fort Snelling will be able to take care of, the cost of completing the building, including general contract, electric wiring, plumbing and heating, will be \$63,277.73. I understand the money on hand from pledges collectable is approximately \$47,253.87.

If contracts are to be let for the construction of the building, it is my opinion that the Building Committee should have assurance from the Association that the money will be available to carry out these contracts. In addition to the total above given, it will be necessary to provide for lighting fixtures and furnishings in the building. Exclusive of the furnishings, it seems to the undersigned that there should be at least \$65,000.00 available.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Walter H. Wheeler.
CHAIRMAN, BUILDING COMMITTEE

WHW:MVE

enc.

PROPERTY OF ARNOLD E KAHNERT RETIRED #

31-March 1950 Age 44. Born 1-7-1906

S/Sgt RA 6767799 3rd Inf, Vet, Association

Vice-Comm. Our Nations Debt to It's Soldiers

By Frank C. Rideout

Chaplain, U. S. A.

1959 to 1965

To-day 11/18/1964

Extract from an Address to the Booster Club, Minneapolis, Minn., January 21, 1925.

• The United States of America as a nation owes a very considerable debt of gratitude, appreciation and loyalty to the Regular Army. Indeed, this institution, created by the regular processes of law, has abundantly justified its existence through all the changing years of our national life.

One has but to recall the pioneer days of the nation's history to be reminded of the arduous labors, the genuine sacrifices and the countless deeds of heroism upon the part of those who have made the profession of arms their contribution to the nation's well being—giving life and sacrificial service when called upon to do so.

"There's not to make reply,

There's not to ask the reason why,

Their's but to do or die"—

This has been the lot and the history of the Regular Army of the United States through all the years since 1776. They invariably have been ready when the call of duty sounded.

In those days of stress and storm, when danger has been imminent, when threatening clouds have gathered upon the horizon, the proudest and the most honorable thing that any real, red-blooded, able-bodied, he-American citizen could do, has been to don the livery of the government, the uniform of the soldier. For the soldier's uniform has always been, in times of strife, the noblest symbol of sacrificial service, as well as the undisputed badge of honorable distinction.

The soldier of yesteryear deserves the whole-hearted respect and the grateful appreciation of our nation's citizenry. When we recall the fact that in the early years of our nation's existence the soldiers of our Regular Army acted as surveyors of unexplored territory, built roads, bridges and railroads, established lines of communication, opened up navigable rivers, acted as sentries year after year in lonely outposts of our pioneer civilization, all for the safety and the protection of infant colonies and trading posts; when we remember that both officers and enlisted men hazarded their lives day after day in defending the early pioneers from the ravages of the blood-thirsty red men; when we remember that these same redoubtable scions of thrilling adventure penetrated farther and farther out across the prairies, over the mountain ranges into the primeval forests, ever acting as the advance guard of the famous "Covered Wagon"; when we remember all this, we shall do well to pause in reverence in the midst of our hum-drum day of affairs, to hallow the memory of such men as served their country and yours in those far off nearly forgotten days.

The peace time achievements of our Regular Army is a thrilling story to the man who is so minded as to be fair, unbiased, and willing to face the facts. The contribution of Regular troops to the nation's equilibrium, safety and satisfaction is not inconsiderable, even in these more recent days.

The part played by Regulars in Chicago in the days of the transportation strike; in San Francisco during those awful days following the earthquake; in Galveston, Texas, during the flood; in Panama, after the French government had utterly failed; in the Texas City swamps; in West Virginia, and in Gary, Indiana, during great industrial upheavals; those eventualities have amply justified the existence of the Army, if there can be any justification for the safeguarding of the civil, the personal, the industrial rights of a people under any pretext whatsoever at any time.

Moreover, we shall do well to acquaint ourselves with the fact that right now, in addition to duties of a purely military character, large sections of our troops are carrying forward the processes of our American civilization in Cuba, in Panama, in the Philippine Islands, and at many lonely stations along the Mexican border, at great personal sacrifice and in many instances, under conditions of great inconvenience.

The Citizens' Military Training Camps and the Reserve Officers' Training Corps Camps, such as are held at Fort Snelling and other convenient places throughout the country every summer, are without question one of our nation's greatest assets, contributing more to our country as a return for the money spent perhaps than any other institution in existence, when values of morality, virile physical manhood and character are concerned. Such lessons of patriotism, virile manhood, discipline, respect for and obedience to law, and rugged honor as our Army Officers are able to inculcate within the hearts of the young men who attend these summer camps, is of untold value to the nation as a whole. And I am very proud to bear testimony to the fact that our splendid, efficient Army Officers are for the most part true to the trust that has been reposed in them by the nation, and are doing all in their power to inspire the men under them to a higher patriotism, and to useful, honorable, productive living. In fact, both officers and enlisted men are especially selected by the military authorities for work of this kind because of their character qualifications and aptitude for the work, and engage themselves in enterprises which in all the years to come will reflect due credit upon our country as a whole. And we cannot fail to see that the spirit of heroism, romance and service for one's country is not yet altogether dead.

Now I have said all this, fellow citizens,—in order that I might lead up to and lay upon your hearts and consciences the burden and the challenge of a duty which, it seems to me, lies closer to your door. For, in like manner, even as the nation as a whole owes a certain dignified respect to the Regular Army, so also the Commonwealth of Minnesota, and particularly the Twin Cities, owes something of grateful appreciation and loyalty to the garrison of Fort Snelling which lies contiguous to

these great cities now pulsating with the life and industry of a nation's very heart.

Gentlemen, it has not always been so. A hundred years ago, and for a quarter of a century thereafter, the great interest of this entire territory centered out in Fort Snelling. Soldiers were stationed at the junction of the Mississippi and the St. Peter's Rivers in order to protect the scattered farmers, the lonely trading posts, and the infant industries of a territory quite unknown as yet to the rest of our American nation.

What loneliness, what privations, what hardships were endured by the soldiers of Colonel Henry Leavenworth, and Colonel Josiah Snelling and others will never be fully known. We are all together too prone to forget the sacrifices of the past in the mad rush of present endeavors. Suffice it to say that the history of Fort Snelling records sufferings upon the part of the nation's soldiery during those early years which for heroism and devotion to an ideal has a parallel only in the annals of the pilgrims of Plymouth in 1620. As many as 40 soldiers, one-third of the troops of the garrison, died while striving to endure the rigors of that first winter back in 1819. This fact gives some faint idea of the privations which were endured and the sacrifices which were made by members of the military establishment at your very door, in order that the early settlers might be safe guarded and the processes of civilization carried forward. The death of such men was indeed honorable. As an early writer says:

"They passed away on a remote frontier, amid a wilderness and under circumstances of privation and general distress most difficult to describe, and were buried in obscure and lonely graves whose location has long since been unknown. But they were American soldiers, and died in the service of their country. And there can be no more honorable or glorious death. The possession of this new country demanded sacrifices and those gallant spirits were the first martyrs to the cause of development and the civilization of Minnesota and the great Northwest."

Gentlemen, am I overstating the case when I say to you that the civilian population of a given community owes to the soldiers of that community something of that same opportunity for decency, for morality, and for the cultivation of the spiritual instincts, as they themselves enjoy. That opportunity has not yet been made possible for Fort Snelling. For over a hundred years of that garrison's existence it has never had a building consecrated to the worship of Almighty God and the study of his Holy Word. Many other smaller cities lying adjacent to Army stations in various parts of the country have provided for this necessity. But the Twin Cities somehow, so far, have overlooked the missionary opportunity and the moral challenge of this situation. This utterance is in no sense a condemnation, it is merely made in order to touch your moral nerve centers.

A crusade upon the part of the religious and patriotic forces of Minnesota in behalf of a properly appointed house of divine worship at Fort Snelling would only be in line with the genius of our Christian civilization. In addition to the 1,500 soldiers at the garrison we have upwards of 160 little children who have imploringly reached

out their hands and asked for the bread of life. We must not be content to give them a stone. Will you not therefore assist us in this most worthy cause by making every possible effort to stab the conscience of and awaken to responsive, definite action those forces of righteousness within your midst which ought to be concerned in this enterprise.

The reproach of this situation, standing altogether too long, should now be removed as speedily as possible. For just so long as two thousand young American citizens, your own Minnesota boys for the most part under 21 years of age, are denied the privileges of that one institution which more than any other is intended to instill patriotism, inculcate reverence; which stands for the best things, which contributes to character-building and the conservation of vigorous manhood; just so long Minnesota, and particularly the moral forces of the Twin Cities, are not quite playing the game fair with the soldiers within their midst.

Perhaps if the patriotic, law-abiding, God-fearing citizenry of our country were as willing to give of their time, of their energy, of their influence and of their money for the maintenance of our institutions, for the conservation of our nation's young manhood, for the safeguarding of our ideals, for the self-respect and the honor of our soldiers; if we were as willing to do this as the destructive forces of society are to degrade and debauch our country's manhood represented within the ranks, and to bring the organizations of our national defense into disfavor and ill-repute, then, perhaps, there might be no need for this appeal.

I want to make an earnest though humble appeal today to all persons who love justice and righteousness to assist in putting the emphasis of this proposition where it will produce results: Will you not make an effort to get this matter before influential business men, asking them when they are in their churches and preparing their budgets to send missionaries to far off heathen lands, that they do not forget the duties that lie nearer at hand. In the name of High Heaven, and in memory of George Washington the soldier, who knelt in the snows of Valley Forge and prayed for his country, for his countrymen and his soldiers, do not forget the soldiers who serve the flag now, at your very doors. Fort Snelling needs a chapel. The Government is not now, nor has it ever been engaged in the construction of churches, or in doing any other form of religious work. The citizens of Minnesota ought to build this chapel, and I believe they will build it when they know all the facts concerning the need.

one of the first to ask that you erect a memorial in glorification of the ideal of that One great world Citizen—the Master Man—who died as a soldier in the sacred cause of truth; whose symbol is a rough-hewn, blood-stained cross, and whose badge of honorable distinction is humble, loving service to all mankind. This is your patriotic duty. A chapel at Fort Snelling will serve the purpose of a useful, adequate memorial.

6. THE MORAL REASON

Then again there is the moral reason for this appeal. For American citizens to send millions of money to give moral and spiritual training for peoples of another skin, and of other races, is undoubtedly for them to be true to the missionary appeal and tradition. China and Japan, Africa and India need the Gospel without doubt; but our own American boys need all these ameliorating influences of morality and religion too. The great Hebrew apostle to the Gentiles said: "If any provide for not his own, and especially for those of his own household, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." (1 Tim. 5:8.) The missionary call and appeal for China is clear; but the missionary call for our own Minnesota boys is clarion clear. To neglect it is to be untrue even to the Gospel itself. It is not that we should turn a deaf ear to the call from abroad, but it is that we should surely turn our immediate attention to those within our very midst; those of our own household; those who wait at our very doors—first, not last. It is not a sign of moral intuition or spiritual power for American citizens to thus neglect the moral challenge and the missionary opportunity incident to an integral part of their own constituency.

7. THE SPIRITUAL REASON

Last, but not least is the spiritual reason for this appeal. The souls of the men now in the service of their country are as precious in the sight of Almighty God as are the souls of those in civilian life. The men of the Army and Navy belong to and are a part of the nation. They represent the civilian population for the peace, safety and honor of the country. They have often been called, may now be called upon at any moment, to risk their lives in meeting a crisis at home or abroad. They are cut off from the privileges of home, and the home church. When, in the World War, there were millions of them in service and every home had its representative in khaki, there was a wave of tremendous interest in the spiritual welfare of enlisted men. Now that demobilization has brought the number down so that instead of a representative from every home, there is scarcely one home in a hundred that has a son in the service, are these to be forgotten? Is Christian interest to be so selfish as this? Are we, as Christians, to be vitally interested only when one of our own home circle is involved? Such is not Christianity. The churches have rivalled one another in their laudable efforts to enter the open door of China, India and Japan; shall they refuse to enter this open door? The men in service today are in the midst of peculiar temptations, and spiritual as well as physical danger. It is unthinkable that citizens of Christian America will refuse to listen to the urgency of this challenge, and the solemnity of this appeal. Even though they are called upon by the government to enter the open door collectively rather than individually, the spiritual interests of this large group of young men, future citizens of Minnesota and the great Northwest, demand that provision be made for their highest possible moral development. The best citizenship is impossible without a church in every community.

SEVEN REASONS WHY Minnesota Citizens Should Assist in Placing a Chapel at the Fort Snelling Garrison

BY FRANK C. RIDEOUT

Chaplain, U. S. Army

1. THE NECESSITY REASON

Minnesota citizens, and especially the residents of the great metropolitan area of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, should not be content to have a nearby community of 2,000 residents without a church. And especially is this true when the great majority of those residents are young men barely out of the high school age. It is scarcely Christian to allow such a condition to exist at the very door of opulent, progressive cities. The garrison needs a modern church. The soldiers themselves were the first to realize this need and have already raised an initial contribution of some \$3,000.00 for its prosecution. They are ready to make another generous contribution, if the general public thinks it is necessary and fair for them to do so out of their small monthly stipends. The children of the garrison, to the number of 150, over a year ago made an urgent appeal to Washington through the Commanding Officer for a decent place in which to "Learn how to pray and to study God's Word." They have asked for bread; they should not be given a stone. The necessity exists; this is a legitimate appeal. Government funds cannot be secured. Every consideration of urgency, decency, missionary expediency, fair play and moral compunction argues that this appeal should not fall on deaf ears. The soldiers at Fort Snelling cannot accomplish this task alone. They deserve assistance, and will get it without doubt if Minnesota residents are fair and generous.

2. THE HISTORICAL REASON

Despite the fact that the first ecclesiastical organization in Minnesota was perfected under the shadow of the old Fort Snelling Round Tower, this fine, old military garrison has never had a church building consecrated to the worship of the Almighty. A hundred years ago, and for half a century thereafter, officers and enlisted men of the army remained on duty at this lonely outpost of our pioneer civilization for no other purpose than to protect the early settlers and their infant industries. Minnesota citizens should by all means be slow to forget that in the "Covered Wagon" days soldiers at Fort Snelling stood sentry, guarding their grandfathers and their sturdy sires while they were emerging from pioneer conditions into the civilization which they have inherited, and which they enjoy today. Now, the whole Northwest, fostered by the security which this outpost guaranteed, is dotted everywhere with magnificent churches and chapels; but Fort Snelling itself has none. Every consideration of gratitude and appreciation of this historical fact eloquently argues that a chapel should be placed at Fort Snelling. To delay the proposition is merely to prolong the reproach, an attitude altogether unworthy of the age in which we live.

3. THE ECONOMIC REASON

This is a selfish reason to be sure, but sometimes economic considerations outweigh those of an idealistic and philosophical nature. Fort Snelling is a distinct asset to Minnesota, and especially to the Twin Cities. Every summer we have a great stream of young, virile, hilarious college students from thirty institutions of higher learning, from eight or nine states, to the number of 1500 or 1600, come to Fort Snelling for the Reserve Officers' Training Corps Camp. And, in addition to these, we have from 1500 to 2000 young men from three or four states who come to the Citizens' Military Training Camp. These young fellows remain from four to six weeks here in the very heart of your "Land of Ten Thousand Lakes." Many of the parents and friends of these summer students come to Minnesota to visit them while they are in camp. They throng your highways and mingle in your life; they stop at your hotels;

and they visit your summer resorts. But this is a minor consideration to that great advertising medium of these young fellows themselves. They go back to their several institutions of learning, and to their home communities to tell of the wonders of your climate, your lakes, your fishing opportunities, your boating and bathing, your hospitality, ad infinitum. Not a few plan to come back to Minnesota again for their pleasure trips, their vacations, and even for their honey-moons. Minnesota has no greater advertising medium than Fort Snelling affords. Whatever Minnesota may do to make Fort Snelling more attractive and more wholesome from the moral and spiritual standpoint, will be like the proverbial "Bread cast upon the waters to return to you after many days." The best method for immediate, reciprocal action towards Fort Snelling, is for the citizens of Minnesota to make possible this proposed chapel.

4. THE GOOD EXAMPLE REASON

No other military garrison is more conveniently located contiguous to great American cities throbbing with the life and industry of a nation's very heart. None is more intimately associated with the early history and progress of a great commonwealth. Many other garrisons need chapels. Perhaps not more than a dozen of the more than 50 or 60 larger garrisons of the nation have chapels which are up to date, adequate or suitable for modern parish work. And these were provided only when the civilian populations of nearby communities made them possible. While a few temporary chapels have been provided for by the genius of local garrisons in using salvage materials and in reconstructing cantonment buildings left over from the great war, no permanent chapels have been erected in the last score or more of years. If the citizens of Minnesota and the Northwest successfully prosecute this task, they will set a most excellent and worthy example before other communities where similar provision ought to be made for religious work among the troops of the nation whose moral and religious interests should not be neglected. Indeed, the entire nation will take note of what is done at Fort Snelling in this matter and hail your efforts with unanimous approval. Thus a most wholesome influence will be exerted, and due credit will be reflected upon the residents of this state as being pioneers still in a most worthy enterprise—that of providing an attractive and suitable place of worship for men in the patriotic service of their country.

5. THE PATRIOTIC REASON

There is indeed a patriotic reason, too, for making this chapel proposition a reality. If there is any spot in the entire state that ought to be a veritable shrine for the people of Minnesota, that spot is Fort Snelling. Minnesota boys have gone through Fort Snelling to each and every battle-front where "Old Glory" has been flung above the din and strife of conflict in the cause of national freedom, human justice and the sacred rights of all mankind during the last one hundred years. This was especially true in the Civil War, the Indian Wars, the Spanish-American War, and the last great World War. Many of your boys went away from Fort Snelling and never returned again. Their blood cries out to heaven for moral justice to other soldier lads who follow them in the service of their country. Where, I ask you, is the logical place for Minnesota citizens to erect a memorial for those gallant spirits, if not at Fort Snelling? How better can Minnesota prove her loyalty to the sacred memory of those heroic souls who have died for their state and for their country? I would be one of the last persons on earth to ask that a memorial be erected for the glorification of the war idea; but I hope that I may be

torical society to conduct an archaeological investigation of the original fort location. The excavations uncovered two hundred feet of the foundation of the wall and the foundations of several of the old stone buildings put up in the 1820s.

A big step toward preservation was made in 1960 when the National Park Service declared the old fort site to be a national historical landmark. This was Minnesota's first site to be thus designated.

The following year several important events brought the preservation of the fort closer to realization.

Governor Elmer L. Andersen in his inaugural address in January, 1961, gave strong support to the idea of creating a state park at the site of the old fort: "I would like to put special emphasis on the opportunity now afforded to add a new state park of outstanding appeal that would be located in the heart of the Twin Cities area. It is almost incredible that such a possibility could still exist. Some 330 acres making up the Fort Snelling reservation have been declared surplus property by the federal government and can be acquired through your action. Below Fort Snelling along the Minnesota and Mississippi rivers lie other tracts of land which, if put together, could make a state park of more than 3,000 acres, notable for natural beauty, rich in historical lore, and easily accessible by private and public transportation. I hope that everything will be done to implement the formation of what may be known as Fort Snelling State Park."

The 1961 state legislature, following the Governor's lead, established Fort Snelling State Historical Park, authorized the department of conservation to acquire the land and administer it, and made the first appropriation for the purpose. The park thus established was to cover nearly twenty-five hundred acres, reaching into three counties — Hennepin, Ramsey and Dakota. Within that area lie the confluence of the Minnesota and Mississippi rivers, Pike Island, two small lakes, the sites of Cantonment New Hope and Camp Coldwater, and of course the old limestone fort. In 1961, when the park was created, some of this land belonged to the federal government, some to the state, and some to private individuals and groups.

The preservation of the fort was given further support by the Fort Snelling State Park Association, an organization of private citizens, formed in 1961 to promote legislative approval of the establishment and development of the park. By 1966, this group had a membership of more than a thousand and had raised \$200,000 for buying land and for other purposes.

The first land that was acquired for the park was, appropriately, 320 acres at the top of the bluff over-

looking the two rivers — the was built in the 1820s. That ferred from the federal gov Minnesota on October 30, 19 tracts have been obtained f ment, and some private lan some acquired by gift from I Island became state property

Both the 1963 and the 1965 money to buy land and to st: In 1964 Representative Willia: as chairman of the historical restoration committee, raised society made a study to deter be practical to rebuild the ga: lative session he introduced a which was strongly supported doors Recreation Resources lation, passed by the lawma construction of the historic fo to cost nearly two million d funds from the federal gover by private citizens.

The reconstruction, whicl carried out under the super cal society. Although the w mittee which includes expe who are most immediately tions are a historian, an a and a co-ordinator.

When it was decided to

Sight-seers have visited Fort Snelling for more than a century. The picture below shows a group of young ladies who toured the place one summer's day in the early 1900s.



*Utah land
acquired by
the state in
1961*

*early
"tourist"
photo*

Palm Sunday

Blessed Is He Who Cometh In The Name Of The Lord



Christ's Triumphal Entry Into Jerusalem

Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel
Sunday, March 29, 1931

MORNING WORSHIP AND SPECIAL
BAPTISMAL SERVICE

10:30 A.M.

COLONEL DAVID L. STONE,
Commanding

GYNTHER STORAASLI,
Post Chaplain

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE ORGAN PRELUDE Mrs. M. Ackerson
THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN "How Firm A Foundation" No. 122
THE OPENING SENTENCES Post Chaplain
INVOCATION and LORD'S PRAYER in unison.
CHORAL RESPONSE Chapel Choir
SCRIPTURE READING John 3, 3-8
VOCAL SOLO "The Palms" Mr. William Edwards
SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 28, 16-20
ANTHEM "Ride On, Ride On" Chapel Choir
SCRIPTURE READING Mark 10, 13-16
VOCAL SOLO "Suffer the Little Children" Mrs. T. W. O'Brien
TALK Post Chaplain
HYMN "Just As I Am" No. 76
READING OF BAPTISMAL SERVICES
PRAYER

Note: Upon conclusion of prayer the Sponsors will stand and on behalf of the candidates for Baptism, will answer in unison the following questions:

Chaplain : Dost thou believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth?

Sponsors : I do.

Chaplain : Dost thou believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead and buried: Descended into hell; The third day rose again from the dead; Ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; Whence He

shall again come to judge the quick and the dead?

Sponsors : I do.

Chaplain : Dost thou believe in the Holy Chost; the holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting?

Sponsors : I do.

Note: The Sponsors will be seated, and as the name of child is called - Sponsors and child (or children) will come forward to the Baptismal Front.

As each child is presented for baptism the Sponsors will be asked the following question:

Chaplain : Wilt thou be baptized into the Christian Faith?

Sponsors : I will.

THE ACT OF BAPTISM

WORDS OF BLESSING

INSTRUCTION TO SPONSORS

Post Chaplain

DOXOLOGY "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 252

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN "I Love to Tell the Story" No. 107

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Mrs. M. Ackerson

Children to be presented for Baptism

Child : Mary Elizabeth Dicks
 Parents : Lt. & Mrs. John L. Dicks
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. Carl Switzer *

Child : Thompson Galletly Dicks
 Parents : Lt. & Mr. John L. Dicks
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. Earl Griffith

Child : William Harold Dukes
 Parents : Capt. & Mrs. T. A. Dukes
 Sponsors: Lt. & Mrs. R. T. Mitchell

Child : James Jay Fussell
 Parents : Mr. & Mrs. C. F. Fussell
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. T. E. Marcum

Child : Mildred Orlean Grant
 Parents : Major & Mrs. J. H. Grant
 Sponsors: Mrs. David L. Stone
 Mrs. T. W. O'Brien
 Brig. Gen. Charles R. Howland

Child : Myles Standish Grant
 Parents : Major & Mrs. J. H. Grant
 Sponsors: Col. David L. Stone
 Major & Mrs. M. Schillistrom

Child : Rose Dolores Neu
 Parents : Mr. & Mrs. E. Neu
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. G. Torrey

Child : Lorraine Betty Neu
 Parents : Mr. & Mrs. E. Neu
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. F. Johnson

Child : Betty Jane Neu
 Parents : Mr. & Mrs. E. Neu
 Sponsors: Mr. Clarence Neu
 Miss Hazel Neu

Child : Maureen Eleanor Nolan
 Parents : Sgt. & Mrs. M. E. Nolan
 Sponsors: Mr. Sgt. & Mrs. R. Coleman

Child : Margaret Ann Peterson
 Parents : Mr. & Mrs. C. A. Peterson
 Sponsors: Mr. Albert Haller
 : Miss Edith Haller

Child : Jackson Lee Raines
 Parents : St. Sgt. & Mrs. J. C. Raines
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. T. Hincheliffer

Child : Rischard Stephen Reid
 Parents : Mr. & Mrs. N. S. Reid
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. R. J. Reid

Child : Thomas Eugene Reid
 Parents : Mr. & Mrs. N. S. Reid
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. R. J. Reid

Child : Neta Withington Speece
 Parents : Capt. & Mrs. N. W. Speece
 Sponsors: Mrs. Cristine Ekman
 : Mr. N. Wm. Elsberg

Child : William Robert Sorum
 Parents : Major & Mrs. A. Sorum
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mr. Victor Bjorgo

Child : Nathalie Lois Urquhart
 Parents : Captain & Mrs. J. K. Urquhart
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. James Stevenson

Child : Charolotte Watzelt
 Parents : Sgt. & Mrs. A. Watzelt
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. C. G. Erickson

Child : Arlene Watzelt
 Parents : Sgt. & Mrs. A. Watzelt
 Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. C. G. Erickson

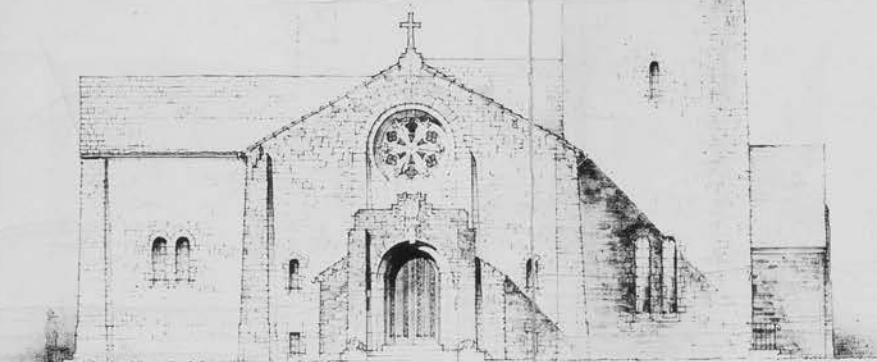
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Child : Thorpe Durelle White
 Parents : Capt. W. B. White [deceased]
 Mrs. Mabel White Davidson
 Sponsors: Mr. Chas. D. Edwards
 Mr. C. Glenn Pruett
 Mr. Wm. Van Deren
 Lt. & Mrs. Russel Powell

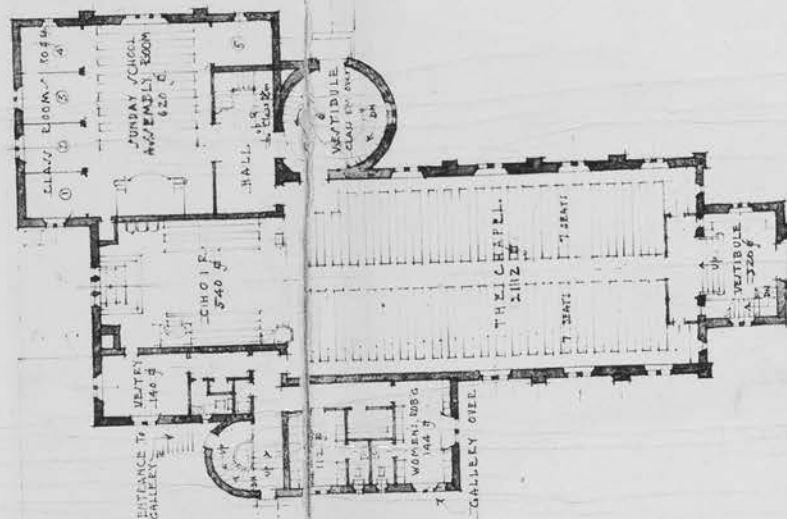
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FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA

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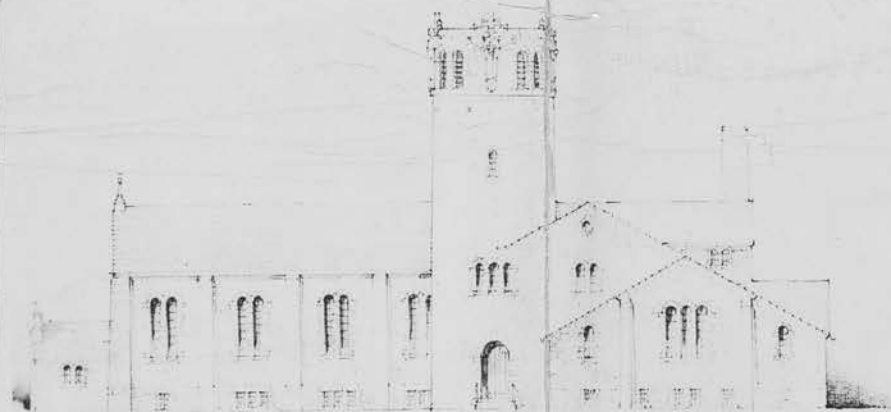
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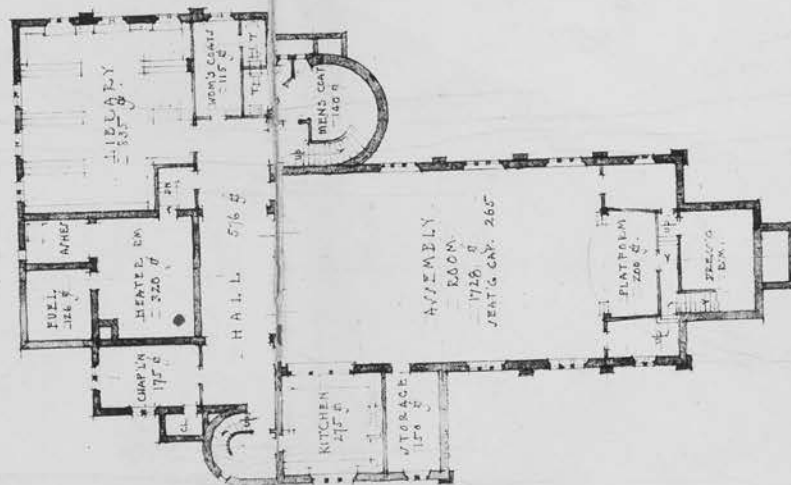
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN
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SIDE ELEVATION
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COMPETITION FOR A CHAPEL

FORT SNELLING

MINNESOTA

FOREWORD

In 1819 a regiment of soldiers was ordered into the wilderness to protect the Northwest against invasion of foreign trading outfits and to defend the settlers from marauding bands of Indians. On the promontory at the junction of the Minnesota and Mississippi rivers they established a military post. This post received the name of "Fort Snelling."

Despite the ever growing importance of this Fort during the past century it has never had a chapel building and it seems proper that steps should be taken to provide at the post a structure that will stand as a memorial to the pioneers and that will serve as a religious center for soldiers at the Fort and their families.

In order that in the design of this chapel there may be expressed the best thought of the Northwest, it is proposed to hold a competition for the selection of an architect.

PART I

Conditions of the Competition

1. PROPOSED BUILDING.

By permission of the War Department of the United States Government the proposed pan-sectarian building will be erected upon the Fort Snelling Reservation on the site designated on the accompanying plot plan.

2. AUTHORITY.

For the purpose of raising funds and carrying the construction to completion, there has been formed an association of citizens of the Northwest who will incorporate in accordance with the laws of Minnesota under the name "The Fort Snelling Chapel Association". This Association will hereafter be referred to as "The Owner". The Association has elected a committee of seven members to serve as "The Fort Snelling Chapel Building Committee" and has authorized that committee to select an architect and to make a contract with him for the furnishing of designs for the chapel and the supervision of the construction. Acts of the Building Committee in all matters having to do with the design and construction of the chapel will be binding upon the Association.

3. PROFESSIONAL ADVISOR.

The Fort Snelling Chapel Building Committee has appointed as its professional advisor, James H. Forsythe, Associate Professor of Architecture, University of Minnesota, to prepare a program for the competition.

4. COMPETITORS.

The competition is open to Architects practicing within the State of Minnesota who are members of the American Institute of Architects or who present evidence of their education, ability, and experience, satisfactory to the Fort Snelling Chapel Building Committee and the Professional Advisor. All applications to enter the competition must be received by the Professional Advisor before Oct. 5, 1925.

4. COMPETITORS, cont.

Architects who are not members of the American Institute of Architects must present satisfactory evidence of their education, ability, and experience.

Any associateship as one competitor by and between Architects, generally practicing separately, and desiring jointly to participate in this competition, must be stated in the application.

5. JURY OF AWARD.

The Owner agrees that there shall be a Jury of Award consisting of three members, as follows: The Commanding Officer of the Post, the Post Chaplain, and a practicing architect from outside the State of Minnesota chosen by the other two members of the Jury and the Professional Advisor.

6. AUTHORITY OF THE JURY.

The Owner authorizes the Jury, above named, to select from the designs submitted in the competition that design which in the judgement of the Jury best meets the requirements of the program. Upon the presentation to the Building Committee of the written report of the Jury, the Building Committee will award to the architect designated in that report the commission to design and supervise the construction of the chapel.

7. EXAMINATION OF DESIGNS.

The Jury shall place out of competition any design which does not comply with the requirements of the competition.

8. REPORT OF THE JURY.

A copy of this report of the Jury will be sent to each of the Architects who have participated in the competition.

9. USE OF FEATURES OF UNSUCCESSFUL DESIGNS.

Nothing original in any design other than of the design awarded first prize, shall be used without the consent and compensation of the Author of the design in which it appears.

10. COMMUNICATION.

If any competitor desires information of any kind whatever in regard to the competition or the program, he shall ask for this information by anonymous letter addressed to the Professional Advisor and in no other way, and a copy of this letter and the answer thereto will be sent simultaneously to each competitor, but no request received after October 19th will be answered.

11. ANONYMITY OF DRAWINGS.

The drawings submitted shall bear no name or mark which could serve as a means of identification, nor shall any such name or mark appear upon the wrapper of the drawings, nor shall any competitor directly or indirectly reveal the identity of his drawings, or hold communication regarding the competition with the Fort Snelling Chapel Association or the Fort Snelling Chapel Building Committee, with any member of the Jury or with the Professional Advisor, except as provided for in Section 10. It is understood that in submitting designs, each

11. ANONYMITY OF DRAWINGS, cont.

competitor affirms that he has complied with the foregoing provisions and agrees that any violation of them renders null and void this agreement and any agreement arising from it. With each set of drawings must be enclosed a plain opaque sealed envelope without any name or superscription or mark of any kind, same containing the name and address of the competitor. These envelopes shall be opened by the Professional Advisor after the final selection has been made and in the presence of the Jury of Award.

12. DELIVERY AND RETURN OF DRAWINGS.

The drawings submitted in this competition shall be enclosed flat between protecting boards without any mark of identification except for the typewritten words "Drawings for the Competition for Chapel, Fort Snelling". This sealed package shall be accompanied by a sealed unmarked envelope as above described. This sealed package and the envelope shall be delivered in one package to Post Headquarters, Fort Snelling, Minn. The package above described must be delivered prepaid by an Express Company or other Public Carriers, and in no other way, to the above address not later than 12 o'clock, noon, on Friday, Nov. 6th, 1925. All drawings other than those of the design awarded first prize, will be returned to the competitors.

13. FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND COMPETITORS.

In consideration of the submission of drawings in this competition, The Fort Snelling Chapel Association, hereinafter called the owner, agrees with the competitors jointly and severally that the owner will, within seven days after the date set for the submission of drawings, make an award of the commission to design and supervise the work forming the subject of this competition to one of those competitors who submit drawings in consonance with the requirements of this program, and will thereupon pay him, on account of his services as architect, one-tenth of his total estimated fee as stated below. And further, in consideration of the submission of drawings as aforesaid and the mutual promises enumerated in the subjoined "Conditions of Contract between Architect and Owner," the owner agrees and each competitor agrees, if the award be made in his favor, immediately to enter into a contract containing all the "Conditions" here following, (exact copy of contract attached) and until such contract is executed to be bound by the said "Conditions."

CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT BETWEEN ARCHITECT AND OWNER.

Article I.

Duties of the Architect.

1. Design.

The architect is to design the entire building and its immediate surroundings and to design or direct the design of its constructive, engineering and decorative work and its fixed equipment and, if further retained, its movable furniture and the treatment of the remainder of its grounds.

2. Drawings and Specifications.

The architect is to make such revision of his competitive scheme as may be necessary to complete the preliminary studies; and he is to provide drawings and specifications necessary for the conduct of the work. All such instruments of service are and remain the property of the architect.

13. FORM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN OWNER AND COMPETITORS, cont.

3. Administration.

The architect is to prepare or advise as to all forms connected with the making of proposals and contracts, to issue all certificates of payment, to keep proper accounts and generally to discharge the necessary administrative duties connected with the work.

4. Supervision.

The architect is to supervise the execution of all the work committed to his control.

Article II.

Duties of the Owner.

1. Payments.

The owner is to pay the architect for his services a sum equal to six per cent upon the cost of the work, payments becoming due as follows: Upon completion of the preliminary studies one-fifth of the total estimated fee less the previous payment; upon completion of contract drawings and specifications two-fifths additional of such fee; for other drawings, for supervision and for administration, the remainder of the fee, from time to time in proportion to the progress of the work.

2. Reimbursements.

The owner is to reimburse the architect, from time to time, the amount of expenses necessarily incurred by him or his deputies while traveling in the discharge of extraordinary duties connected with the work.

14. DELAY OR ABANDONMENT OF THE PROJECT.

If for any reason the construction of the chapel is not preceded with, then the owner shall pay to the successful competitor such fees as may be due in accordance with the agreement above.

PART II

Requirements of the Program.

15. SITE

The site of the building is on the Fort Snelling Reservation as designated upon the accompanying plot plan.

16. REQUIREMENTS OF THE CHAPEL BUILDING.

A. THE CHAPEL.

1. A chapel with seats for 375 of which 75 will be occupied by men under guard. This group of seats must therefore be placed in a gallery, or alcove separate from the remainder of the seats. The seating to be of the standard church type.
2. A chancel for the conduct of religious services, with space for a choir of 25, and necessary robing rooms and toilets for men and women.
3. An organ loft for a two manual pipe organ.
4. A vestry of about 120 sq.ft. floor area with coat closet and toilet. This room must be provided with a separate outside

16. REQUIREMENTS OF THE CHAPEL BUILDING, cont.

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entrance.
5. Necessary stairs, vestibules, etc.

B. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL ROOM

Provision shall be made for a modern Sunday School room to seat a membership of 100 pupils. This room is to be arranged for subdivision by means of folding doors or rolling curtains into units for the accommodation of a Junior department of 40 and Intermediate and Senior departments of a total of five or six separate classes. Access should be provided from the Sunday School room to the Chapel.

- C. Reading Room with shelf space for about 15,000 volumes.
- D. A Chaplain's Office of about 200 sq.ft. floor area.
- E. A Small Kitchen and Pantry conveniently accessible to the Assembly Hall.
- F. Heater Room with provision for storage of coal and ashes.
- G. Small toilets and coat rooms for men and women.
- H. Assembly Hall to occupy all the other available space in the Basement.

It is assumed that a basement will be placed under the entire structure and that the accommodations listed under "C", "D", "E", and "F", "G" and "H" may be provided in that basement.

The Chaplain's Office, the Assembly Room and the Reading Room must be accessible from a separate outside entrance as well as from the main chapel vestibule.

JCR All the above listed requirements must be secured in a structure containing not more than 225,000 cubic ft. In estimating cubage vertical measurements must be taken from the top of the footings to the mean of the roofs and horizontal measurements from the outside to the outside of building walls.

The total cost of the building including mechanical equipment, architects fees and superintendence, pews and chancel furniture must not exceed eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000.). The principal exterior walls of the building shall be of stone. The main floor is to be not less than 5'-0" above the finished grade around the building.

17. DRAWINGS.

All drawings shall be prepared according to the following list and at the scales given. No other drawings than those enumerated shall be submitted.

A plot plan at 1/32nd inch scale, showing walks, approaches and connections with existing roads and sidewalks.

A first floor plan of the Chapel and Sunday-School at 1/16th inch scale.

A basement plan at 1/16th inch scale.

A front elevation at 1/8th inch scale.

One side elevation and longitudinal section of the building at 1/16th

17. DRAWINGS, cont.

inch scale.

Diagram showing method of estimating cubage.

18. PRESENTATION.

Drawings are to be presented on one sheet of drawing paper, cut exactly 22 x 28 inches and mounted on cardboard of the same dimensions. On these sheets shall be drawn a single border line so that the space inside the border will be exactly 20 x 26 inches. There shall be printed on the drawing as space will permit the words "Competition for a Chapel-Fort Snelling, Minnesota." The drawings of the designs themselves may be either in black pencil or dilute ink. On the plans the names and floor areas of the different rooms are to be printed in the proper spaces. On the elevation and section the shadows are to be cast at an angle of 45 degrees and shadows, window openings and backgrounds rendered in ivory black or india ink as the competitor may desire, but no trees or foliage shall be used in either foreground or background. No wash or rendering of any kind shall be used on the plans except that walls may be shown in solid black or grey. Any violation of the above regulations regarding presentation will place the offending drawings out of the competition.

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Minnesota

MINNEAPOLIS



Bulletin

NOVEMBER 26, 1927

President General And Mrs. Rogers Visit Minneapolis

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers arrived on the morning of October 25th, 1927, and were met at the station by Vice President General Schouten, Walter H. Wheeler, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee, and other compatriots. They were escorted to the Radisson Hotel where rooms had been engaged.

A round table luncheon was given President General Rogers at the Minneapolis Club where twenty-four officers of the State Society and of the Minneapolis and St. Paul Chapters were present.

Chairman Wheeler introduced Vice President Schouten to present President General Rogers who gave a talk outlining his trip around the United States for the purpose of making a survey and inspection of the organization. Short talks were made by Mayor Leach, Congressman Newton, and Compatriots Westlake, Cone, Brill, and Col. Welsh.

Mrs. Rogers was entertained at luncheon by Mrs. Walter H. Wheeler and a group of D. A. R. ladies at Mrs. Wheeler's home, 4209 Dupont Ave. So.

At the invitation of Col. Welsh, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers and a number of local S. A. R. members drove to Fort Snelling. After a tea served by Mrs. Welsh and other ladies of the Fort, the new Chapel building was inspected. After this there was a Review of the Troops. Fort Snelling has the Third Infantry, the only regiment in continuous existence since revolutionary days, the color bearers wearing the original Colonial Uniform.

In the evening a dinner was given for Mr. and Mrs. Rogers at the Dayton Tea Rooms. Members of the D. A. R. were invited. There were 137 present.

The meeting was opened by the Flag Ceremony followed by the invocation by Capt. Rideout and music by the Minneapolis Quartet. Congressman and Compatriot Walter H. Newton gave a short and forcible talk on Maintaining the quality of Citizenship.

Chairman Wheeler expressed the regrets of State President Frank W. Matson of St. Paul at not being present.

Vice President E. H. Davidson of St. Paul gave a strong message on patriotism.

Mrs. W. H. Hoyt of Duluth, State Regent of the D. A. R. gave greetings from her society to the S. A. R.

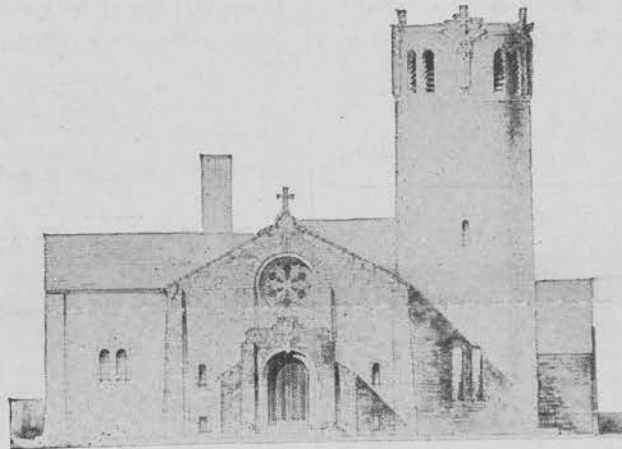
Mr. Rogers was introduced by Vice President General Schouten.

Mr. Rogers talked on the aims and accomplishments of our society.

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The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel From Our Vice

President G



On August 27, 1927, the corner stone of the new One Hundred Thousand Dollar Memorial Chapel and Community Center of Fort Snelling was laid in an impressive religious-military ceremonial. Three thousand soldiers and students of the Citizen's Military Training Camp, and over half a thousand interested citizens participated, many coming from distant points throughout the state. The stone was laid by Colonel W. E. Welsh, Mr. Walter H. Wheeler, Chaplain Frank C. Rideout and the Honorable Carl T. Schuneman, Assistant Secretary of the United States Treasury who was home from Washington for a brief holiday. The first three are all members of the Minnesota Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

This marks the near completion of a most worthy enterprise—one in which Minnesota Compatriots have been deeply and vitally interested from the time of the inception of the movement three years ago. Along with the Daughters of the American Revolution, they were among the first to give the movement a hearty endorsement asking that the public give it generous support. As chairman of the building committee, Compatriot Wheeler has given invaluable service and unlimited time with no compensation save that of performing a worth-while task. Compatriot St. Clair Snyder was instrumental in securing a fine donation from the Minneapolis Lion's Club; and Compatriots Calvin F. How and George F. Crosby of the Duluth Chapter gave valuable assistance.

The chapel, when completed, will be one of the outstanding memorials of the Northwest. Picturesque in location, beautiful in design, and perpetual in usefulness, its rugged masonry will stand through future decades as a noble testimonial to the patriotism, loyalty and moral earnestness of all whose gifts have helped to make it possible.

Architecturally the chapel gives expression of the special character imposed by local conditions and historic background. It is being constructed of local rubble sandstone. The motif of the Old Round Tower and of the Sibley House, Minnesota's oldest and most picturesque landmarks—the latter the home of the state's first governor, at Mendota—is perpetuated in the new building.

When this splendid project has finally taken permanent form, the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution of Minnesota may cherish a sense of just pride in having had a conspicuous part in making possible a Minnesota Memorial which will forever stand as an emblem of the zeal and the patriotism of all who have participated therein. The chapel will not be merely a monument of stark, grey stone, but a living institution giving warmth and service in a corner of the Northwest which has been neglected already too long.

Its rugged masonry will glorify the gifts of ex-service men, wounded veterans of the world war with whom there will never sound the sweet bugle call of an Armistice day, present day soldiers, gold-star mothers, and little children, as well also as the more substantial gifts of Minnesota business men, commercial institutions, patriotic organizations and churches.

Primarily, the chapel will be a house of divine worship, furnishing a place for religious rites and ceremonies. But it will be much more than that; its spacious basement will provide for library accommodations for 10,000 volumes for the garrison. It will also furnish space for community and parish work, while its well appointed Sunday school rooms will provide a suitable place for the religious instruction of soldiers and the 200 children of the garrison. The chapel is to be equipped with ladies' parlor, committee rooms,

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To Compatriots of the Cap Society:

As Vice President of the District, I am particularly interested in the growth of the Society in new members. I have adopted these as the District this year: patriot obtain one, and each State Society two Chapters. Each of them certainly do your bit for one new member.

I think one of the best things our Society has done for some time is to organize a Re-instatement Committee, whose sole duty is to go after delinquent members and re-awaken their enthusiasm and bring about their re-instatement in the Society. I want to see Minnesota equal the good work of the Iowa Society in this district in membership. Since June, Minnesota has taken in, I believe, nine new members, while Iowa has taken in about twenty-one. The two societies have approximately the same number of members, about 400 each. Minnesota is in a position to keep with the pace set by Iowa. I am to be congratulated on the good work and I want to see Minnesota step right up in the same rank.

Probably the greatest step the National Society has taken in its existence is the purchasing and establishing of a National Headquarters Building in Washington where all the work of the Society can be concentrated and coordinated. I look forward to a great increase in membership in the Society all over the country and an increase in its good work. Daughters of the American Revolution have made their wonderful growth in membership and influence since the building of the Continental Memorial Hall in Washington.

I would like suggestions as to the activities of the Society, both local and national. Doubtless, we have done things that we ought not to have done and have left undone things that we ought to have done. In order that such occurrences may come about no oftener than possible, your suggestions to be transmitted to the officers and committeemen of the societies in the District and of the National Society will be of great value.

Cordially yours,

Charles P. Schouten,
Vice-Pres. General, S. A. R.
North Mississippi District

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Minnesota Society

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MEMORIAM

Historian has supplied as brief sketches of Com- who have passed on. We hope that the list is not complete. It is only by members notifying the historian that we may hope to have a complete report. It will also if those notifying the historian will supply sufficient details for our permanent records. Photographs for our files for the use of coming generations will be appropriate and desired. Your co-operation is solicited.

H. CARLTON BAKER

Died June 22, 1926: 63 years.
Born in Ohio, 1863.
Mr. Baker was for 39 years identified with the printing industry in St. Paul. Member of the Lions Club, Men's Garden Club and S. A. R.

A. H. BENTON

Died at the home of his son, May 14, 1926: 80 years.
Mr. Benton was born in Connecticut in 1846. He came to Minneapolis in 1871. Connected with the Curry Milling Co., afterwards engaging in wholesale and retail grocery business and later interested in banking and real estate.

PROF. J. J. DOW

For many years Superintendent of Schools for the blind at Fairbault. Died at the Soldiers' Home, Minneapolis.

C. P. GRIBBEN

Died Dec. 1, 1925, Santa Barbara, Calif.

SAMUEL HODGKINS

Born June 15, 1839, New York.
Hodgkins was a farmer at Fort Snelling, Minn. He died Oct. 8, 1926: 85 years of age.
Mr. Hodgkins himself a soldier in the Civil War four and one-half years. In some important battles. Wilderness, Spotsylvania, Cold Harbor, and others.

HOWARD M. JEWETT

Born in Illinois, 1862.
Postal employe for 38 years in St. Paul. He was a member of I. O. O. F. Lodge and S. A. R. Died Aug. 16, 1926: 64 years.

EDGAR A. KIRK

For 28 years Secretary McCall

HONORARY VICE PRESIDENTS

Hon. Frank B. Kellogg, St. Paul.
Judge John B. Sanborn, St. Paul.
Hon. Walter H. Newton, Minneapolis.
Gen. George E. Leach, Minneapolis.
Hon. Arch Coleman, Minneapolis.

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C. E. McMillan, Luverne, Minn.
Dr. C. L. Scofield, Benson, Minn.
Judge C. W. Stanton, Bemidji, Minn.
†Deceased May, 1927.

Webster Elevator Co., Minneapolis.
Died Aug. 21, 1926: 52 years.
Mr. Kirk was a member of the Presbyterian Church, S. A. R. and Ionia Masonic Lodge, Duluth.

LEVI LONGFELLOW

Died at his home here Feb. 27, 1926, age 84 years. Lived in Minneapolis over 50 years. He was devoted to his church and interested in G. A. R. Patriotic instructor for many years; Army musician and participated in our Indian wars. He was engaged in the wholesale fruit business with his brother in Minneapolis.

GEO. ASA LYON

Died in California June 27, 1926, age 55 years. Graduate of Grinnell College, Iowa. Banker by profession. Vice president First National Bank of Minneapolis. He was an athlete and very fond of music and all college sports.

DR. C. A. McCOLLOM

A practicing physician in Minneapolis for 30 years. Prior to going to California, where he died Jan. 22, 1926: 78 years.

P. W. McALLISTER

Died April 6, 1926. 69 years.
Former Alderman. For many years officer in K. P. Lodge of Minneapolis. An honored Mason for many years.

C. S. MARDEN

Moorhead. Died April 28, 1925.

J. F. MERRILL

Red Wing. Died Oct. 22, 1925.

WALLACE G. NYE

Died March 4, 1926: 67 years.
Mr. Nye held many positions of honor and trust in our city and state. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Elks and Odd Fellows. Always interested in the welfare of our city. Was mayor for two terms.

C. B. PALMER

Born New York City 1840. Attorney St. Paul and Sioux City R. R. Co. Was active in practice to 85 years of age. Died Feb. 2, 1926: 86 years. Charter member State Society, G. A. R.

C. P. SILLOWAY

Born in Vermont, 1845.
Lived in Minneapolis 35 years.

He served in the army of the Potomac in the Civil War. Commander of Bryant Post G. A. R. and one of the oldest Scottish Rite Masons in Minneapolis. Died Feb. 26, 1926 at 81 years of age.

W. O. TIMERMAN

Died Jan. 20, 1926: 67 years.
Thirty years with grain trade in Minneapolis. Shriner, Knight Templar, S. A. R., Auto Club.

CHARLES H. WARNER

Sixty years of age, died June 18, 1926.
He was a lawyer, newspaper man, Legislator, public spirited citizen, Mason, K. P. and Odd Fellow. A whist enthusiast. President state organization when he died.

JUDGE FRANCIS A. WATKINS
Died March 5, 1926, Carleton, Minn.

H. L. WHITED

Born in Vermont, March 6, 1854.
Mr. Whited was a graduate of the Boston Law School. He was interested in real estate and loan business. Died Jan. 8, 1926 at age of 72 years.

CHARLES W. KNIGHT

Father of Dr. Ray Knight, president of Local Chapter No. 1, Minneapolis, and Dr. Ralph Knight. Died Jan. 13, 1927 at the home of his son, Dr. Ray Knight, after an illness of three months. Mr. Knight was born in Orange County, New York where he taught school, then moved to Pennsylvania and later to Illinois, where he was married in 1880 and came to Minneapolis in 1885. For 20 years he was in the hardware business in this city. He is survived by his wife, two sons, compatriots of Chapter No. 1, Drs. Ray and Ralph Knight and three brothers.

WE NEED

Increase of membership is one of our most important and immediate needs. All organizations—business, fraternal, and patriotic, need the stimulating effect of healthy growth.

We need the additions to replace losses by death and resignations.

We need additional workers for the various patriotic activities in which we are engaged, and to support these activities properly we need the funds which come with this increase.

We need the active, enthusiastic younger men, a large proportion of whom come to us with membership increase.

We need a strong, united movement to reinstate lost members. A suspended member is a liability. Reinstate him, give him something to do, and he becomes an asset, and rarely again allows his membership to lapse.

It may be said that it is easy to present an argument in favor of added membership, but how is the eligible to be interested and his application secured?

Answer: By each member getting a new member before the close of the year.

OPPOSITION

Those who are anxious to see the eventual overthrow or downfall of the Representative Government are carrying on a constant program of education and propaganda. Some of it is most clever and certainly all of it is thoroughly persistent. We should be equally active. We can support the public authorities and the courts in their effort to enforce law. We can encourage the schools by visits, conferences, and other means which will suggest themselves to alert patriots. We can see to it that the candidates for office whose principles are unfriendly to Representative Government are not given support. At the same time we need to see that "the vote gets out." In some parts of our country less than one half of the people are voting, hence the term "majority rule" has become a terrible misnomer. Unfortunately, the friends of good government seem to be less active than its foes. Isn't there plenty of work for every one of us to do in getting our neighbors to exercise their privilege of voting. Can we afford to be any less active than the opposition?

TEXT BOOKS

Recently there has been given considerable publicity to certain municipal officials who have been criticizing the contents of school texts of American history. This seems to be part of a fight between the school administration and the city administration. It also attracts the attention of thinking people to the point that possibly the truth, when properly displayed, will harm no one, and that, after all, we want the truth taught with as little of the personal color and bias of the teacher or writer as is possible. Being anti-British may not mean that one is decidedly patriotic. There is little reason for us to deny acts, even in our desire to be intensely loyal. It is not necessary to idealize all of the acts and circumstances which combined to make up the American Revolution. We should be thoroughly loyal to the principles which were involved, and should try to conserve the results obtained. Historical facts are helpful to this end. What we need to know is what is fact and what is opinion. The latter oftentimes is far from fact. When we can find the real purpose to be served by the writer or the speaker, we are able to interpret his paragraphs or his utterances in the terms of the purpose. Too often we are unable to discover the real motive, but it comes out eventually.

Only a day or two ago, the newspapers were featuring the story of a new history of the life of Washington, in which some distressing, if not disgraceful, references were made to practices in means of entertainment in which Washington is alleged to have indulged.

There is no amount of fault finding criticism of petty deficiencies of character which can overshadow the extraordinary personality of George Washington.

If such works did not find a ready market, they would not even be written. Few men there are, indeed, whose every act would bear the scrutiny of the writer who wants something sensational to exploit.

SOMETHING TO DO

In another part of this bulletin, we are printing a plan of giving medals for good citizenship. This can be done by any grade school through its principal or superintendent. Read the article on the plan and then bring it to the attention of your school head. Tell him that you and your associates will support this plan and would like to see it carried out. This is thoroughly in line with the principles of our organization, and should commend itself to every right thinking citizen. We are not seeking any glory or advertising through it. The purpose is to see a thoroughly constructive piece of work accomplished in the most direct way.

Let us know what you do about it.

VISION

Those who are planning for governmental changes are looking ahead decades—even generations. Plans that were conceived twenty-five years ago are being carried out today, supported by funds which were solicited even then.

It is our avowed purpose to maintain and extend the institutions of American founders. How are we matching these efforts?

PRESIDENT GENERAL AND MRS. ROGERS VISIT MINNEAPOLIS

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ety, the reason and scope of his present visit to the various state societies and touched upon many interesting historical events in connection with our country and the S. A. R. organization.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. John T. Bergen.

PATRIOTIC PUBLICITY

Compatriot—have you ever thought of the opportunity you have in the public schools? Find out from your school men what programs will be given on the patriotic holidays such as Washington's Birthday, Flag Day, etc. If possible attend these programs and commend their celebration. This is one way to perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men who achieved American Independence. Furthermore, it will delight the teachers and the pupils to have the business and professional men taking an active interest in their exercises. Some of you are already doing this and more, but there is still much to be done. Get busy with the so-called "little things" and see how much can be brought about that will be very much worth while.

The Fort Snelling Chapel Memorial

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offices and gallery. It will have a seating capacity of about 500. It will be a shrine of patriotism and religious effort which will undoubtedly yield returns upon the capital investment incomparably greater than those of any material considerations. The State Society has placed aside a sum of money to procure a pulpit for the chapel which will be their own distinctive memorial.

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Purposes and Objects

To perpetuate the memory and spirit of the men who achieved American Independence.

To preserve the documents, relics and records of the Revolutionary patriots and to inspire their descendants with a more profound reverence for the Government founded by their ancestors.

To encourage the observance of patriotic anniversaries.

To promote institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge, and thus to foster an enlightened public opinion.

To afford to old and young such advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing the duties of American citizens.

To maintain and extend the institutions of American founders.

To carry out the purposes expressed in the preamble of the Constitution of our Country, and the injunctions of Washington in his farewell address to the American people.

To foster true patriotism and love of country and to aid in saving for all mankind all the blessings of liberty.

Qualifications for Membership

"Any man shall be eligible to membership in the Society who, being of the age of twenty-one years or over, and a citizen of good repute in the community, is the lineal descendant of an ancestor who was at all times unfailing in his loyalty to, and rendered active service in, the cause of American Independence, either as an officer, soldier, seaman, marine, militiaman, or minute man, in the armed forces of the Continental Congress, or of any one of the several Colonies, or States, or as a Signer of the Declaration of Independence, or as a member of the Committee of Safety or Correspondence, or as a member of any Continental, Provincial, or Colonial Congress or Legislature, or as a recognized patriot who performed actual service by overt acts of resistance to the authority of Great Britain."

Membership is based on lineal descent from one Revolutionary ancestor; additional claims are filed on supplementary papers. Junior membership may be obtained at the age of eighteen and membership in the Washington Guard is open to sons of members under eighteen years of age.

The cost of membership is not excessive. The Congress of the National Society has fixed the fee to be paid to the National Society at five dollars for each new member. This fee must accompany the application. Each State Society fixes its own membership fees and dues, in addition to the initiation fee to the National Society above stated. A certificate of membership is issued to each new member.

The National Society S. A. R. has a membership of about 20,000, with organizations in nearly every State in the Union and in Hawaii, Philippine Islands and France. The personnel of this Society includes many of the most prominent men in the country and to the members of this Society was accorded by

the War Department, permission to wear the service bar of S. A. R. upon their uniform when in foreign service in the World War.

Holidays Observed

Washington's Birthday, Constitution Day, September 17th, Lincoln's Birthday, Patriot's Day, Flag Day, Fourth of July, are anniversaries of which the Society takes special pains to promote the observance. The marking of the graves of Revolutionary soldiers, and suitable marking of historic spots is a constant activity and carried on by the respective state societies in their own localities where opportunity is given.

How to Become a Member

Trace your lineage back to the period of the Revolution through paternal and maternal lines and ascertain the names and residences of all male lineal ancestors of proper age for active participation in the struggle for Independence.

This search may be guided by family papers and traditions, by published and original probate and land records of towns and counties, and by tombstone inscriptions. Search printed and manuscript records of military and naval service. Where two or more men of the same name are recorded from the same locality, identify as your own ancestor the one upon whom claim is based. Names of German, Dutch, or French origin may be disguised by translation into English or by various phonetic spellings.

References to manuscript sources must be accompanied by officially certified copies.

Individual membership is through one of the State Societies, and all are members of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Application for membership is made on standard blanks furnished by the State Societies. These blanks call for the place and date of birth and of death of the Revolutionary ancestor and the year and place of birth, of marriage, and of death of ancestors in intervening generations. Membership is based on one original claim; additional claims are filed on supplemental papers. The applications and supplementals are made in duplicate. One copy remains with the State Society and one copy is permanently preserved in the Registrar General's Office, where a reference card index is kept of members' names and of their Revolutionary ancestors.

A CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Your son or your nephew—if you have either—will appreciate your interest and the significance of your gift if you will make him a present of membership in the Minnesota Society, Sons of the American Revolution. Start now—send for application blanks.

RIDEOUT TO DIRECT MEDAL CONTESTS

Captain F. C. Rideout, Chaplain at Fort Snelling, has been appointed Director of Citizenship Medal Contests in the five states comprising the Mississippi District.

Compatriots who are looking for something "definite" to do can find it in promoting these contests.

WINS SABER

Willard G. Heberling of the University of Minnesota won a trophy that was offered to the best team leader in the student tri-corp. The competition drew considerable attention. Minn. S. A. R. Chapter furnished the saber which was presented in proper ceremony by Knight.

A WRIST WATCH ESSAY

Our State Society received a beautiful wrist watch who would write "American Citizen" won by Joseph J. Claire, Wis., who should be covering in essay follows:

"THE PRIVILEGE OF DUTIES OF AMERICAN CITIZEN"

Citizens of the United States enjoy more and greater freedom than those of any other country, past or present. In a representative democracy such as ours where privileges are (many and) multifarious, certain restrictions in the form of duties and obligations must exist. That is as it should be.

Constitutionally, religion—which which stirs men's souls to passion and noble deeds—is not established by the state but is left to the dictates of each man's mind and heart.

The founders of our country were cognizant that an intelligent and educated electorate was imperative if our then embryonic nation were to be perpetuated. They strove to accomplish. Today universal opportunity for education touches every corner of our commonwealth.

Here, there are no economic bounds duty of each and every American of today enjoys a higher standard of living than has been experienced by any people in any age. The son of the laborer or of the banker, of the ruralist or of the urbanite may aspire to any goal. The choice is his. There is no line of demarcation segregating the individuals and fixing social strata. "As an American citizen (y)our privileges and duties are limited by (y)our race and restricted by (y)our creed."

It is the sacred privilege and bounded duty of each and every American to exercise his right of franchise.

His religious freedom; his educational opportunities; his economic condition; his social status—all imply duties to be performed equivalent to benefits derived.

It is the duty of every American (citizen) to uphold the Constitution, and all laws; to be loyal; to be thrifty.

He who is truly educated will have a broad intellect, character, personality, tolerance, initiative. A citizenry which possesses these will appreciate its privileges and perform its duties.

—Jos. H. Walsh, Eau Claire, Wis. Fort Snelling, C. M. T. C.—1927.

Minneapolis, Minn. Feb. 22, 1926.

Hewitt & Brown, Inc. Architects
1800 2nd Ave. So.,
City.

Gentlemen: Subject: Fort Snelling Chapel Building.

This is to advise you that the association has decided to approve the design of the American Seating Company for furniture for said building, and the designs of the Minneapolis Gas Fixture Company for lighting fixtures, which said companies have submitted to our committee.

We are advised by the American Seating Company that some slight changes will be required in the chancel floor to accommodate their furnishings. As we understand it these changes will include straightening the front of the raised floor to permit the installation of the chancel rail, also raising the rear of the said floor to permit the installation of the communion rail, and another step to the altar and ~~marble~~ reredos. I understand that Mr. Hart of the American Seating Company will be glad to explain these changes to you, and our committee would like to have you take this up with Mr. Hart and advise us what will be the cost of the said changes, if made now by the general contractor.

Yours very truly,

Chairman Building Committee.

c.c. to committee.

From
WALTER H. WHEELER
1112 Met. Life Bldg.
MINNEAPOLIS.

WALTER H. WHEELER, E. M.
DESIGNING & CONSULTING ENGINEER

MEM. AM. SOC. CIVIL ENGINEERS - REGISTERED ENGINEER & ARCHITECT
PLANS - SPECIFICATIONS - SUPERVISION - ESTIMATES - REPORTS FOR
BUILDINGS - BRIDGES - DAMS - GRAIN ELEVATORS, ETC.

1112-10 METROPOLITAN LIFE BUILDING. MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Minneapolis, Minn.
October 21, 1926

Colonel W. E. Welsh
Commanding Officer
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

Dear Sir: Subject: Fort Snelling Chapel and
Community Center Building.

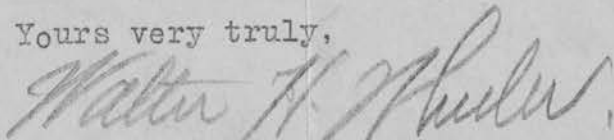
Since I wrote you on the 8th instant, giving some figures regarding quantities of materials required we have received from Mr. C. H. McNider, President, First National Bank, Mason City, Iowa, the 200 barrels of Portland Cement donated by him, which I understand you now have in storage.

According to my estimate it will require approximately 440 barrels of cement for wall footings, column footings and basement walls up to the bottom of the first floor slab, and approximately 100 barrels of cement for the first floor slab and stairs and basement story columns. It will, therefore, be necessary to buy approximately 340 barrels of cement in addition to that donated by Mr. McNider for the said work.

Also, according to architects' drawings, there will be required about 2021 hollow clay tile 5x12x12, about 387 hollow clay tile 4x12x12, and about 739 hollow clay tile 6x12x12, said tile to be used in first floor slab.

There will also be some electric outlet boxes and conduits required to be built into said first floor slab. Will the Fort furnish the said conduits and outlet boxes or will it be necessary for the Building Committee to buy these? Will the Fort install them or will it be necessary for the Building Committee to arrange for their installation?

Yours very truly,



CHAIRMAN, BUILDING COMMITTEE
FORT SNELLING CHAPEL AND COMMUNITY
CENTER ASSOCIATION., INCORPORATED.

WHW:MWE

10/22

QUARTERMASTER

MEMORANDUM FOR:

new

Pls read this carefully
x c me

W

FRITZ KOCH, PRESIDENT

WM. C. KOCH, TREAS. & GENERAL MANAGER

L. V. MADSEN, SEC. & GEN. SALES MANAGER

TWIN CITY BRICK COMPANY

ARTISTIC FACE BRICK

ERWIN W. FOLSOM,
N. W. SALES MANAGER

GENERAL OFFICES

514 TO 519 PIONEER BLDG.

SAINT PAUL Nov. 2, 1926.

OFFICES AT
MINNEAPOLIS ST. PAUL
DES MOINES SIOUX FALLS

Quartermaster,
Fort Snelling, Minn.

Dear Sir:-

With reference to telephone conversation of this morning, we regret to advise that we do not have a stock of tile on which you made inquiry, and are, therefore, unable to quote for present delivery.

Yours very truly,

TWIN CITY BRICK COMPANY

EWf-b

BY

Erwin W. Folsom



WM. D. STEWART, President
PLATT B. WALKER, JR., V. President
ERNEST L. ALLARD, Treasurer
HARRY F. CARLSON, Secretary

ST. PAUL BUILDERS MATERIAL CO.

INCORPORATED

203-208 BUILDERS EXCHANGE BLDG.

COR. OF SIXTH AND JACKSON

St. Paul, Minn.

November 3-1926

WAREHOUSES

FOOT OF EAGLE ST.
BURR & FAUQUIER STS.
245 COMO AVE. NEAR RICE
SNELLING & IGLEHART AVES.

Cement
Plaster
Plaster Paris
Face Brick
Building Tile
Hydrated Lime
Bulk Lime
Finishing Lime
Kellastone Stucco
Flue Lining
Sewer Pipe and Fittings
Wall Coping
Expanded Metal Lath
Keenes Cement
Fire Brick
Fire Brick Shapes
Boiler Tile
Fire Clay
Wall Ties
Corner Bead
Mortar Colors
Plaster Board
Waterproofing Powder
Metallic Hardener
Dampproofing Paint
Partition Tile
Gypsum Blocks
Paving Brick
Drain Tile
Caen Stone Finish

Quartermaster's Dept.,
Fort Snelling,
Minnesota.

Attention: Mr. Slater

Gentlemen:-

Quotation: Post Chapel

340 bbls. Portland Cement
(Atlas, N.W. States, Pyramid)
Sacks extra at 10¢ each.

<u>F.o.b. Cars</u>	<u>Deld. Job</u>
<u>Ft. Snelling</u>	
2.40 bbl.	2.70 bbl.

390 pcs. 4x12x12 Hollow Tile	68.00 M.pcs	76.00 M.pcs
2025 " 5x12x12 " "	83.00 " "	92.00 " "
740 " 6x12x12 " "	92.00 " "	102.00 " "

The above prices on Cement are
subject to five percent discount, on Hollow Tile two
percent discount, if paid for on or before the 10th.
of the month following date of invoice.

Thanking you for the opportunity to
quote, and asking your favorable consideration, we are

JJM*hs

This Quotation is good for

days.

Material above quoted is subject to conditions and limitations on
reverse side.

QUOTATION

No. 3185

ST. PAUL BUILDERS MATERIAL CO.

PER

J. J. Meckler



ORDERS ACCEPTED SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS

PAYMENT: Thirty (30) Days Net, or, as per terms on the face quotation.

Orders subject to approved credit, and unless purchaser show satisfactory rating, we require payment in advance, or make delivery shipper's order notify.

Prices subject to change without notice. All agreements based upon our contracts and agreements with manufacturer of products we propose to furnish are contingent upon strikes, car shortages, wind and weather, accidents, and delays unavoidable or beyond our control.

We will pay the original purchaser the same value as charged for empty cement and plaster sacks purchased of us and bearing our brands, upon their receipt in serviceable condition at our plant or at factory, according to original agreement, if returned within ninety (90) days from their purchase, freight prepaid, subject to factory inspection and count.

Minnesota Lime & Cement Co.

BUILDING MATERIAL

1401-1407 Marshall Avenue

Recd 7/08

ST. PAUL, MINN.

November 5, 1926

Quartermaster's Corps.
Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

Attention Mr. J. E. Slater.

Gentlemen:

We are pleased to quote you on material to be used in the construction of the Memorial Chapel at Fort Snelling as follows:

	<u>F.O.B. Cars</u>	<u>Delvd. Via Truck.</u>
Cement:--	\$2.40 Per Bbl.	\$2.70 Per Bbl.
Tile:		
4x12x12--	\$68.00 Per M	\$76.00 Per M
5x12x12--	83.00 " "	92.00 " "
6x12x12--	92.00 " "	102.00 " "

A discount of 5% on cement and 2% on tile will be allowed if payment is made by the 10th of the month following delivery.

Cement sacks will be charged at 10cents each and a like credit given when returned in good condition.

We thank you for this opportunity to quote and trust that we will be favored with this valued order.

Yours very truly,

MINNESOTA LIME & CEMENT CO.

BY *Edw. J. Horn*

PHONE: MAIN 8200

A. S. DINNIE, PRESIDENT
PLATT B. WALKER, JR. VICE PRES.
P. J. MAYER, SECY. & TREAS.

Minneapolis Builders Supply Company

WAREHOUSES
22ND AVE. NORTH AND 2ND ST.
5TH AVE. SOUTH AND 29TH ST.

OFFICES
721-725 LUMBER EXCHANGE

Minneapolis, Minn.
November 6, 1926

Quartermaster,
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

ATTENTION MR. SLATER:

Dear Sir:

In response to your telephone conversation with the writer this morning, we are pleased to quote you on materials as follows:

340 barrels Lehigh Portland Cement - \$2.40 per barrel,
exclusive of bags.
740 Pcs. 6 x 12 x 12 Hollow Clay Tile - \$92.00 per 1000 pcs.
2025 Pcs. 5 x 12 x 12 Hollow Tile - \$83.00 per 1000 pcs.
390 Pcs. 4 x 12 x 12 Hollow Tile - \$68.00 per 1000 pcs.

All of the above prices are F. O. B. Cars Fort Snelling Minnesota.

Cement bags will be charged extra at 10¢ each, and credit will be allowed at the same rate when returned.

Quotation on cement is also subject to a cash discount of 5% for payment by the 10th of the month following delivery.

Tile prices are subject to a cash discount of 2% for payment by the 10th of the month following delivery.

We are in a position to supply all these materials immediately, and hope to have the pleasure of serving you.

Yours very truly,

MINNEAPOLIS BUILDERS SUPPLY COMPANY

PJM:RG

By

P. J. Mayer

Sales Manager.



PHONE: MAIN 8200

A. S. DINNIE, PRESIDENT
PLATT B. WALKER JR. VICE PRES.
P. J. MAYER, SECY. & TREAS.

Minneapolis Builders Supply Company

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721-725 LUMBER EXCHANGE

Minneapolis, Minn.

November 9, 1926

Quartermaster,
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

ATTENTION MR. SLATER:

Dear Sir:

Referring to telephone conversation of this date, in connection with our quotation of November 6th, on Portland cement and hollow clay tile.

We are pleased to quote you additional tile as follows:

2" Hollow - \$62.00 per 1000 pcs. 3" Hollow - \$65.00 per 1000 pcs.

We ask that you kindly attach this quotation to our original quotation.

Above prices are subject to a cash discount of 2% for payment by the 10th of the month following delivery.

We talked with Mr. Wheeler this morning, and he referred us to architects Hewitt and Brown, and in talking with Mr. Kirk of Hewitt and Brown Company, he advises us that their specifications call for a 2" Furring tile, and that they could not use a split tile.

You understand in some cases a 4" tile is supplied, and then it is split, making a 2" Furring tile. The 2" tile on which we are quoting you in this letter is a hollow tile, that is manufactured here in Minneapolis, and we are today submitting a sample of this tile to the Hewitt and Brown Company for approval.

We assure you that if we are favored with your order for both the cement and tile, we are in a position to render first class service in connection with same.

We understand that Mr. Wheeler is chairman of the building committee that will finally decide the purchase of these materials, and we might say that we supplied all of the Portland cement used in connection with the Mendota bridge during the past two and a-half years, so that Mr. Wheeler no doubt is entirely familiar with the service we rendered in connection with that contract.

PHONE: MAIN 8200

A. S. DINNIE, PRESIDENT
PLATT B. WALKER JR. VICE PRES.
P. J. MAYER, SECY. & TREAS.

Minneapolis Builders Supply Company

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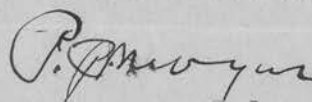
We assure you that this business will be very much appreciated,
and we hope that you will favor us.

Very truly yours,

MINNEAPOLIS BUILDERS SUPPLY COMPANY

PJM:RG

By



Sales Manager.



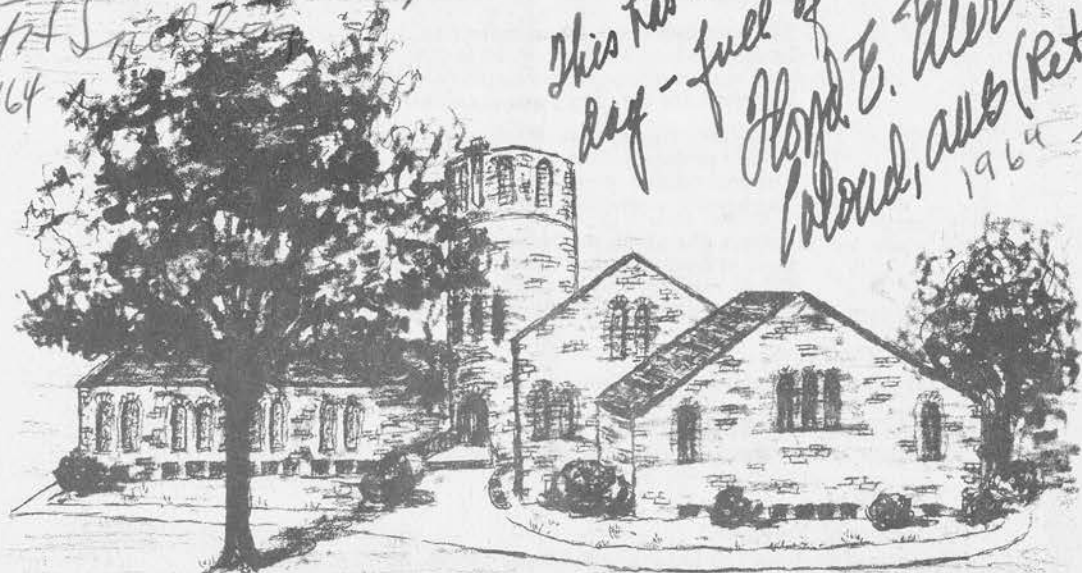
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w/o Alfred Barker
Co F. 3rd Infantry

Fort Snelling

1964

*This has been an inspiring
day - full of memories.
Horn E. Teller
Colonel, aus (Ret)
1964*



A Service of Rededication for Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 15, 1964 ✓

at 3:30 o'clock

Dr. Clifford Ansgar Nelson, presiding

ORGAN PREPARATION

"Pièce Heroique"	- - - - -	C. Frank
"Choral Prelude"	- - - - -	Purvis
"Carillon de Westminster"	- - - - -	Vierne

Mr. C. Wesley Andersen, A.A.G.O.; Organist and choirmaster,
St. John The Evangelist Episcopal Church, St. Paul, Minnesota

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN - - - - - The National Hymn

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;
Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay,
Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
By Thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toil-some way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud and praise be ever Thine. Amen.

THE INVOCATION

Rabbi Jerrold Goldstein, Mt. Zion Temple, St. Paul, Minnesota

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

Rev. Alton Motter, Executive Director, Minnesota Council of Churches

THE ANTHEM

"A Hymn of Freedom" - - - - - Thiman
The choir of St. John The Evangelist Episcopal Church, St. Paul, Minnesota

TWO BRIEF ADDRESSES

A Greeting from the State of Minnesota
Major-General Chester J. Moeglein, Adjutant General for the State of Minnesota

A Welcome to the Ft. Snelling Memorial Chapel
Mr. Russel Fridley, Director of the Minnesota Historical Society

RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING

(An offering will be received to be at the disposal of the Committee on the Continued Use of the Chapel.)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Thy Church, O God, Her Heart To Thee Upraiseth" - - - - - Thiman
The choir of St. John The Evangelist Episcopal Church, St. Paul, Minnesota

THE DOXOLOGY

AN ACT OF REDEDICATION

The singing of America - - - - - Stanzas 1 & 2

My country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing.
Land where by fathers died, land of the pilgrim's pride,
From every mountain side, let freedom ring.

My native country, thee, land of the noble, free, thy name I love;
I love the rocks and rills, thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills, life that above

The reading of the Litany for Rededication

O God, for the faith that has made and kept our nation strong, and has made her the bearer of hope and courage to all men:

Thanks be to Thee, O God.

For the love and devotion that made possible the erection of this chapel in years past and made it an inspiration to many over the years.

We give Thee thanks, O God.

For the privilege of again worshipping Thee in this place and using this hallowed place for prayer and praise and thanksgiving:

We thank Thee, O God.

Accept this building anew from our hearts and our hands as we re-dedicate it to thy service and for the use of the people of this state:

We offer it to Thee in consecration.

Grant that this hallowed place may strengthen and establish our people in righteousness, in personal character and integrity:

We beseech Thee to hear our prayer and bless us.

From prejudice of race and color, making schism in the commonwealth; from all inequity and injustice that begets ill-will and spoils fraternity; from loss of liberty bequeathed to us by our sires and from careless acceptance of our heritage and neglect of its responsibilities:

Good Lord, deliver us.

From the decline of pure religion; from failure of moral fibre in our citizenship; from all accounting of things material above virtues spiritual; from vulgarity of life, loss of social consciousness, and collapse of national character:

Good Lord, deliver us.

By the deep faith on which the foundations of our land were laid and by the sacrifices of its pioneers; by the memory of leaders of our State, whose wisdom has saved us, whose devotion has chastened us, whose characters have inspired us:

We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

By the undeserved wealth of a great state committed to us and by our trusteeship of power to work weal or woe on the earth:

We beseech Thee to hear us, O Lord.

Keep us from pride and from boasting tongue; save us from narrow loyalties; enlarge our horizons to encompass the good of all men; inspire us to give our best that there may be liberty and justice, freedom and brotherhood for all within our borders. Accept this chapel and let it be the source of inspiration to all who come within her hallowed walls:

Lord, hear our prayer and mercifully bless the people of this state. Amen.

The rededication ceremony

The singing of America - - - - - Stanzas 3 & 4

Let music swell the breeze, and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song;
Let mortal tongues awake; let all that breathe partake;
Let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

Our father's God to Thee, author of liberty, to Thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright, with freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might, great God our king. Amen.

THE BARITONE SOLO—"Recessional" - - - - - Kipling-De Koven

Mr. Kenneth Hansen

THE CLOSING PRAYER AND THE BENEDICTION

Rev. Harvey Egan, St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Mendota, Minnesota

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN—"America The Beautiful" - - - - - Materna

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America, America, God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for pilgrim feet whose stern impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness!
America, America, God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self control, thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life!
America, America, may God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot's dream that sees beyond the years,
Thine alabaster cities gleam undimmed by human tears!
America, America, God shed His grace on thee.
And crown thy good with brotherhood, from sea to shining sea. Amen.

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE—"Fanfare" - - - - - Rogers

Mr. C. Wesley Andersen

Dr. Clifford Ansgar Nelson is the chairman of the committee on the Continued Use of the Chapel. Suggestions and requests may be directed to him at 3615 Beard Ave. N., Minneapolis 22. 588-2245; or to the Park Planner, Mr. Clinton Johnson, Ft. Snelling, Minnesota.

An inter-faith Thanksgiving Day service will be held in the Chapel on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 26th at 10:30 A.M. Dr. Nelson will speak and special music has been provided. All are invited.

FORT SNELLING MEMORIAL CHAPEL

in historic Fort Snelling State Park

The Hon. Karl Rolvaag, Governor, the State of Minnesota

Mr. Wayne Olson, Commissioner of Conservation

Mr. U. W. Hella, Director of State Parks

Mr. Samuel H. Morgan, President, Fort Snelling Park Association

Mr. Raymond D. Black, Vice President, Fort Snelling Park Association

Mr. Reuel D. Harmon, Vice President, Fort Snelling Park Association

Mr. Leslie W. Myers, Vice President, Fort Snelling Park Association

Mr. Thomas C. Savage, Vice President, Fort Snelling Park Association

Mrs. Adolph E. Johnson, Secretary, Fort Snelling Park Association

Mr. Burton N. Noah, Treasurer, Fort Snelling Park Association

The Rev. Richard Keene Smith, Chairman, Chapel Committee

In envisaging the chapel before it was built in 1927, Chaplain Frank C. Rideout of Fort Snelling wrote the following ". . . *It will be a chapel which will be a splendid monument to the patriotism, the moral earnestness and the religious conviction of the people of the state; it will be a perpetual reminder of their appreciation of the sacrifices of Snelling soldiers during the pioneer days of the commonwealth, and of those who made the supreme sacrifice in all our great wars. Such a chapel will make vocal forever the gratitude of Minnesota people for the gallant spirits of the Northwest who trained in the Officers' Training Camps at Fort Snelling, many of whom gave up their lives for their country in the World War. This proposed chapel will provide a shrine where the friends of those who have died for America may come, as on a holy pilgrimage, have been so fondly loved, and are now lost awhile.*"

One thing which Chaplain Rideout and those garrisoned with him at Fort Snelling did not foresee was that the historic post would be deactivated and no longer be used by our military personnel. As a result, the chapel so beautifully built in a great architectural style fell into disuse and abuse. When the Fort Snelling Park Association was formed, one of its concerns was the restoration and use of the chapel. Accordingly the legislature appropriated money, and the chapel committee worked to this end. The rededication service on November 15, 1964 (the Sunday after Veterans' Day) is an appropriate new beginning of the chapel in accordance with the noble conceptions of Chaplain Rideout.

Program courtesy of First National Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota

Flowers courtesy of friends

Ushers from Fremont Avenue Congregational Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota

A coffee hour in the undercroft will follow the service. All are invited. Take this opportunity to tour the building.

The
Fort Snelling Memorial Organ
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

Dedication Service

Sunday, May twenty-sixth, 2:30 p. m.

Nineteen hundred and twenty-nine



*In memory of the Soldiers, Sailors and Marines who gave
their lives in defence of our country.*

SPONSORED BY

The Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliaries

Department of Minnesota



DEDICATION SERVICE

Sunday Afternoon at 2:30, May 26th, 1929.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Rev. E. W. Munson, Two Harbors, Minnesota, State Chaplain, and
George R. Wolff, No. 425 Veterans of Foreign Wars, Presiding

Music *Selected*
THIRD INFANTRY BAND, Fort Snelling

Music: Minneapolis Fife, Drum and Bugle Corps, Veterans of
Foreign Wars

Church Call: Drum Corps Trumpeteers, Veterans of Foreign Wars
(From the Chapel Tower)

Organ Prelude: "America, the Beautiful" *Demarest*
HAMLIN HUNT

Tenor Solo: "My Hope is in the Everlasting" from the "Daughter
of Jairus" *Stainer*
OTTO JELLISON

Invocation: REV. E. W. MUNSON, State Chaplain, Veteran of Foreign
Wars, Department of Minnesota

Hymn: "O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties Above the fruited plain.
America, America, God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea.
O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved And mercy more than life.
America, America, May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness, And every gain divine."

Responsive Scripture Reading: 27 Ps. Led by REV. CLAUDE E.
IRELAND, Captain Chaplain 88th Division; Ballentine No. 246,
Minneapolis

27TH PSALM

The Lord is my light and my salva-
tion:
Whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the strength of my life;
Of whom shall I be afraid?

When the wicked came upon me to
eat up my flesh,
Even mine adversaries and my foes,
they stumbled and fell.

Though a host should encamp against
me,
My heart shall not fear:

Though war should rise against me,
In this will I be confident.

One thing have I asked of the Lord,
that will I seek after:
That I may dwell in the house of
the Lord all the days of my life,

To behold the beauty of the Lord,
And to inquire in his temple.

For in the time of trouble he shall
hide me in his pavilion:
In the secret of his tabernacle he
shall hide me:

He shall lift me up upon a rock.
And now shall my head be lifted up
above mine enemies round about me;

Therefore will I offer in his taber-
nacle sacrifices of joy:
I will sing, yea, I will sing praises
unto the Lord.

Hear, O Lord, when I cry with my
voice:
Have mercy also upon me, and answer
me.

Teach me thy way, O Lord;
And lead me in a plain path,
Because of mine enemies.

Deliver me not over unto the will of
mine enemies:
For false witnesses are risen up against
me,
And such as breathe out cruelty.

I had fainted, unless I had believed
to see the goodness of the Lord
In the land of the living.

Wait on the Lord:
Be of good courage, and he shall
strengthen thy heart:
Wait, I say, on the Lord.

ORDER OF SERVICE—Continued

Organ Solo: "Echo Bells" *Brewer*
HAMLIN HUNT

Address: Memorial Day Thought.
PROFESSOR GISLE BOTHNE, University of Minnesota

Harp Solo { "Impromptu" *Oberthur*
 { "Menuet" *Seraro*
HENRY J. WILLIAMS, Harpist, Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra

Greetings: CHARLES M. PEET, Minneapolis, Grand Army of the
Republic, Honorary Ballentine No. 246

Soprano Solo: Aria "With Verdure Clad" from "Creation" *Hadyn*
MRS. AGNES GRISWOLD TEASDALE

Greetings: From Veterans of Foreign Wars.
Z. L. BEGIN, State Commander Veterans of Foreign Wars,
Patterson No. 7

Organ Solo: "Consolation" *Cole*
HAMLIN HUNT

Greetings: From WILLIAM T. COE, Department Commander, United
Spanish War Veterans.

Greetings: From Auxiliaries Veterans of Foreign Wars of U. S.
MISS ROSE MCGANN, Albert Lea, Minn., President Auxiliary
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Minnesota,
Freemond Madison No. 447

Harp Solo { "Prayer" *Hasselmans*
 { "Reverie Fantastique" *Henry J. Williams*
HENRY J. WILLIAMS

Dedication and Presentation of Organ:

DR. RUSSELL R. HEIM, Major U. S. Army Medical Reserves,
88th Division, Chairman Organ Fund, Veterans of
Foreign Wars, Ballentine No. 246

Acceptance and Response:
COLONEL WALTER C. SWEENEY, Commanding Officer of
Ft. Snelling

Organ Solo: "Concert Piece" *Parker*
HAMLIN HUNT

Doxology:

Benediction: CAPT. GYNTER STORAASLI, Post Chaplain, Ft. Snelling

Taps: By Member Minneapolis Fife, Drum and Bugle Corps,
Veterans of Foreign Wars

"Star Spangled Banner"

Floral Decorations—By MRS. CHAS. BOOTH, Donald Skidmore No. 363.

Arrangement of Colors—By 1ST SGT. ANDREW M. BOYKE,
National Sgt. at Arms, V. F. W., Donald Skidmore No. 363.

IN FLANDERS FIELDS

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place, and in the sky,
The larks, still bravely singing, fly,
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead; short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe!
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high!
If ye break faith with us who die,
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Dr. John McCrae



VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States were organized in 1899 by an amalgamation of the Mexican War Veterans of 1846-8, the Army of the Philippines and other veterans organizations. It is one of the oldest service organizations in the United States and its objects, aims and principles are as follows:

"The objects of the Veterans of Foreign Wars are fraternal, patriotic, historical and educational; to preserve and strengthen comradeship among its members; to assist worthy comrades; to perpetuate the memory and history of our dead and to assist their widows and orphans; to maintain true allegiance to the Government of the United States of America and fidelity to its constitution and its laws; to foster true patriotism; to maintain and extend the institutions of American Freedom; and to preserve and defend the United States from all her enemies, whomsoever."

1927 November

Arnold E. Kahrnert Co. B
3rd US Infantry Bldg Built 1989
Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

Lest
We
Forget

In Memory of Our Comrades Who Fell on Foreign Soil

MINNESOTA'S most unique and outstanding Memorial, the new Fort Snelling Chapel, is almost completed. It will serve the religious, social and recreational needs of the 2,500 men, women and children of the garrison, as well as of the boys from all sections of the Northwest who attend the Civilians Military Training Camp in the summertime, the Reserve Officers Training Camp and the Reserve Officers.

The Chapel stands as a monument to the patriotism and moral earnestness of the citizens of the state whose contributions have made it possible. As a shrine of patriotism, situated in the very center of the park system of the greatest metropolitan center of the Northwest, it will fill a long-felt want in the life of the historic garrison.

A pipe organ is needed to make the Chapel a completed entity. The

Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary have dedicated themselves to the task of raising a fund of \$12,500 to purchase this organ and place it in the Chapel as a memorial to Minnesota's heroic dead who fell on foreign soil. The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel Association, Inc., has heartily endorsed the effort, seeing therein the complete culmination of their years of endeavor. The project also has the wholehearted endorsement of the Governor of Minnesota, and leading men and women of the state.

It is singularly appropriate for the Veterans of Foreign Wars to undertake this task, for the emblem of their organization is the Cross of Malta, and they always have stood for the highest and truest service in any patriotic cause. Will you help them erect this magnificent memorial for their comrades who made the supreme sacrifice in foreign lands while fighting under the Stars and Stripes?

"I HEARTILY endorse the purpose of the campaign being undertaken by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary of the Department of Minnesota. I feel that it is especially fitting an organ be placed in the Memorial Chapel at Fort Snelling as a tribute to the men of Minnesota who have given their lives on foreign soil in the service of our country."

—THEODORE CHRISTIANSON,
Governor of Minnesota.

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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
ORGAN FUND

W. P. CHRISTIAN, GENERAL CHAIRMAN
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Capt. Frank C. Rideout,
Fort Snelling, Minn.

My dear Sir:

We as citizens of Minneapolis have a problem to solve and an opportunity to perform a real service. Your experience in such matters as we have before us has prompted us to come to you for advice and counsel.

Here are the facts in condensed form. Fort Snelling is one hundred years old and during this period no adequate or appropriate place has been provided for Divine Worship. The federal government has made no appropriation for the construction of buildings of this character at any of its posts. At many other garrisons the citizens of the community have built chapels as memorials. It is a golden opportunity and a privilege for us to do likewise at Fort Snelling.

There are two thousand men stationed at the Fort the year around and this number is augmented in the summer by three thousand young men attending the training camps. The need for a chapel where the spiritual welfare of everyone of our boys could be provided for according to his creed or belief is self-evident and should not have been permitted to exist this long. St. Paul has realized its responsibility and is enthusiastically preparing to do its share. It is now up to all the Christian people of Minneapolis regardless of Creed to do their part and do it quickly.

We want you to help in the consummation of plans for the erection of a Memorial Chapel at Fort Snelling, and arrangements have been made for those interested to get together at the Y. M. C. A. - Room 404, Tuesday April 21st at 6:15 P.M. Dinner - seventy-five cents.

Please signify on the enclosed postal whether you will be present or not. In either event be sure and return the card.

Yours very truly,

FORT SNELLING MEMORIAL CHAPEL COMMITTEE

CAG/AW

Clarence A. Gunn
Secretary

Plant the "inducements" and harvest the "trade"
crops must be planted before they are made.

VISITORS DAY, FORT SNELLING

June 5, 1938

Celebrating the one hundreth anniversary of the first army chaplain at Fort Snelling, and the tenth anniversary of the erection and dedication of the Memorial Chapel.

PROGRAM

- 9:00 A.M. Catholic Mass in Chapel.
Celebrant: Chaplain-Reserve Cornelius J. Normoyle.
His Eminence, Archbishop John Gregory Murray, of St. Paul, will preach.
- 10:30 A.M. Protestant Worship in Chapel.
Commemorating first army chaplain at Fort Snelling, the Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear, Episcopalian Pioneer Missionary.
The Right Reverend Stephen E. Keeler, Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Minnesota, will preach.
- 2:30 P.M. Band Concert near Chapel.
Third U.S. Infantry Band. W.O. Olaf M. Nord, Bandleader.
- 3:00 P.M. Anniversary Service near Chapel.
Introduction and recognition of prominent citizens of Minnesota, in appreciation of their efforts, or of the organizations they represent, who participated in the building and dedication of the Memorial Chapel.
Remarks by the Rev. Nils M. Ylvisaker of Minneapolis, President of the Chaplains Association of the United States.
Remarks by Major General Stanley H. Ford, Commanding the Seventh Corps Area.
Remarks by Brigadier General Campbell B. Hodges, Commanding Fort Snelling.
Music by the National Champion American Legion Auxiliary Glee Club of St. Paul.
- 4:00 P.M. Inspection of Chapel.
Registration of Visitors.
Organ Recital and Chimes.
- 4:30 P.M. Garrison Parade.
- 5:15 P.M. Polo Game.
Fort Sheridan vs Fort Snelling.

10 June 1938

Pfc Arnold E. Kahnest RA6767799
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Built 1904, Military Service 9 years
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After 5 days, return to
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Frank C. Rideout, Chaplain U. S. Army,
Fort Snelling, Minn.





GEORGE K. BELDEN, POTENTATE
—OF THE—SHRINE—OF—MINN.—



MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

FRANK H. FORBES, RECORDER
SHRINE CLUB ROOMS
WEST HOTEL

Feb. 7, 1925.

Brother Frank C. Rideout,
Chaplain U. S. Army,
Fort Snelling, Minn.

My dear Chaplain Rideout:

Your letter of Jan. 21st to our Recorder of Zuhrah Temple was handed to me and I have looked at it and thought of it several times.

Unfortunately, I believe the public at large, including most church people, get the idea that the Shrine is rich and I fear that if our Temple should pass resolutions endorsing the suggestion of building a chapel or church at Fort Snelling, it might almost hurt your project more than it would do good. Churches on noticing that the Shrine had made such recommendation, would be inclined to say that the Shriners should do the job instead of passing it on to the churches and that would weaken your cause rather than strengthen it.

The fact is, that with our many enterprises, we have to count our funds very closely indeed to keep even.

Of course, being a Mason, you know that our dues and receipts are really meager as compared with other organizations and therefore our treasuries are never rich unless funds are secured by assessments or in some special manner for a special purpose like our Crippled Children's Hospital.

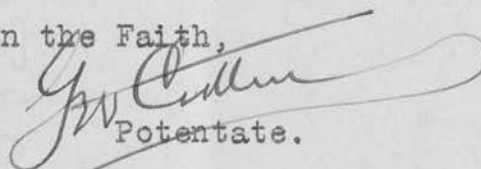
I personally felt great sympathy with your desire to see a chapel or church erected at Fort Snelling, but I am like the other fellows giving too much time to philanthropic work and not enough to business to enable me to subscribe to more things than I am already doing and therefore I feel rather helpless in such a matter.

In the meantime I hope there is some suitable structure over there for your purposes. If I recall correctly, Mrs. Critten

and I went over there in war time and she sang to the boys in some sort of an auditorium which accommodated quite a number. It was not however, a church and I do not now recall whether it was a building suitable for use during cold weather.

We enjoyed having you with us at our Boosters Luncheon and I certainly wish you every success and I have had all that in mind during the time that your letter has been before me. Perhaps I am mistaken in my conclusion, but I am giving it to you frankly for whatever it may be worth.

Yours in the Faith,


Potentate.

GWC-TMA

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VALLEY OF MINNEAPOLIS

Feb 9th 1925.

Frank C. Rideout
Chaplain U.S. Army
Ft Snelling Minn.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter of Feb 7th 1925 in regard to
Chapel at Ft Snelling was duly received.

I will present your letter at the next
meeting of the Lodge of Perfection which
occurs on Mar 3, 1925. The Lodge of Perfection
is the business body of the Rite.

Yours very sincerely
David W. Knowlton
Secretary.

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RETURN IN FIVE DAYS TO
DAVID W. KNOWLTON, SECRETARY
SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE
CORNER DUPONT AND FRANKLIN AVES.
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA



Frank L. Rideout
Chaplain U.S. Army
Headquarters
Ft. Snelling
Minneapolis



TRADE MARK

The Minnesota News Company

19 and 21 West Third Street

St. Paul, Minn.

Feb. 18, 1926.

Mr. H.E. Randall,
c/o West Publishing Co.,
City.

Dear Mr. Randall:

I am wondering whether you made a decision as to your contribution for the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel.

If you feel that you can contribute to this worthy cause, I would be pleased to have you sign the enclosed pledge card and return same to me.

Very truly yours,

W.M. Carter
Manager.

*Sent subscription to office of
WBC:EH
Ft Snelling as in*

H.E. Randall

Check
Amount Here

\$1.00

2.00

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Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel & Community Center Association Inc.

In consideration of the gifts of others, I hereby pledge to the Building Fund for the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel and Community Center the amount checked, payable as indicated.

NAME

ADDRESS

Indicate to what denomination, patriotic organization, fraternal or other group
you wish this pledge credited

Make checks payable to S. M. SHEPARD, Treasurer.

All cash payments included with pledges will be acknowledged.

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\$ 28.00

NORTHFIELD NEWS

—INCORPORATED—

PRINTERS—PUBLISHERS—STATIONERS—ENGRAVERS

HERMAN ROE, Manager

NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA

January 23 1926.

Perhaps I should be criticized for taking on additional duties, but I believe I am not to be blamed too severely for accepting the responsibility to approach the newspapers of the State of Minnesota on such a project as the Fort Snelling Chapel.

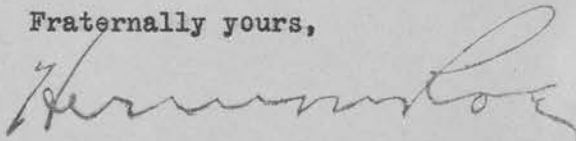
The attached pamphlet outlines more completely than any letter could what the project is and why it is gaining such favor.

In the Northfield News I plan to carry a coupon for the next three weeks tying up with the stories which are furnished from campaign headquarters, and will acknowledge the contributions in subsequent issues.

Because I felt that other newspapers would be willing to cooperate I consented to head up a newspaper committee and I am sending you a mat of the coupon which I will use in my paper.

This project is so closely tied up with the history of our state that it seems to me there is no group that could more rightfully sponsor it in a state-wide fashion than Minnesota newspapers.

Fraternally yours,



HR:B

THE FORT SNELLING CHAPEL

STATEMENT OF LOW BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION, CREDITS FOR WORK ALREADY
DONE, TOGETHER WITH STATEMENT OF CASH ON HAND AND ESTIMATES FOR
THE COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT.

Low Bid		\$54,725.00
Credits for material and work to be performed by Fort Snelling:		
Rubble Stone	\$1,317.00	
Form Lumber	100.00	
Cement	250.00	
Back Fill	132.00	
Cleaning up	200.00	
Exc. & Footings	<u>1,640.00</u>	
		3,639.00
		\$51,086.00
Add for Reinforcing steel		728.00
		<u>\$51,814.00</u>
Electric Wiring	\$1,053.00	
Bond	15.80	
Plumbing & Heating	6,190.00	
Bond	<u>102.85</u>	
		7,361.65
		\$59,175.65
Balance architects' Fee		3,268.08
Bond on General Contract		<u>874.00</u>
		\$63,277.73
TOTAL CASH REQUIRED		
<u>CASH ON HAND</u>		
Minneapolis & Fort Snelling	\$23,012.94	
Accrued Interest (Approx)	<u>500.00</u>	
		\$23,512.94
Saint Paul	\$20,583.57	
	52.45	
Accrued Interest (Approx)	<u>500.00</u>	
		\$21,136.02
Fort Snelling		582.83
		<u>\$45,231.79</u>
GRAND TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE		
BALANCE NEEDED		18,045.94
UNPAID PLEDGES: St. Paul	\$6,280.00	
Minneapolis	<u>590.00</u>	
ESTIMATED COLLECTIONS		<u>\$6,000.00</u>
	balance needed	\$12,045.94

WALTER H. WHEELER, E. M.
Designing & Consulting Engineer
1112-10 Metropolitan Life Building

Minneapolis, Minn.,
February 8, 1927.

Fort Snelling Chapel & Community Center Assoc., Inc.
Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

Gentlemen:

Subject: Proposed Chapel Building.

Pursuant to your instructions last August, the Building Committee ordered the excavations made for the Chapel Building, stone delivered on the ground, concrete foundations, basement walls and first floor constructed and bids for the construction of the building.

The excavation is now completed, the rubble stone for the building is on the ground and part of the concrete foundation is complete. The plans and specifications for the building have been completed and bids received for the construction as per tabulation herewith.

According to these bids and our understanding of the credits which the authorities at Fort Snelling will be able to take care of, the cost of completing the building, including general contract, electric wiring, plumbing and heating, will be \$63,277.73. I understand the money on hand from pledges collectable is approximately \$47,253.87.

If contracts are to be let for the construction of the building, it is my opinion that the Building Committee should have assurance from the Association that the money will be available to carry out these contracts. In addition to the total above given, it will be necessary to provide for lighting fixtures and furnishings in the building. Exclusive of the furnishings, it seems to the undersigned that there should be at least \$65,000.00 available.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Walter H. Wheeler.
CHAIRMAN, BUILDING COMMITTEE

WHW:MWE

enc.

BIDS ON FORT SNEHLING CHAPEL

<u>General:</u>		<u>Heating & Plumbing & Ventilating</u>				<u>Electric</u>	<u>Lowest Bids</u>
Splady & Haagenenson	54,725.00	Western	3908.	1938.	498.	\$6190.00	Nobel \$1053.00 Splady \$54,725.00
Cederstrand	55,422.00	Healy	4178	2289	737	7118.00	Sterling 1189.00 Western 6,190.00
Madsen	55,720.00	Hammond	4055	3073	437	7565.00	Peoples 1200.00 Noble 1,053.00
Steenberg	58,167.00	Spriggs	4080	3255	519	7650.00	Kelly 1285.00 \$61,968.00
Ganley	58,610.00	O'Neil	4275		500	5985.00	Commonwealth 1287.00 Steel 800.00
Grant	64,100.00	Johnson				6675.00	Hartig 1447.00 \$62,768.00
Peterson-Colwell	64,474.00						Maier 1450.00 6% - 3,766.00

<u>Alternates: (Splady)</u>	<u>Alternates: (Western)</u>	<u>Alternates: (Healy)</u>	Additional alternates which could be used; but which we donot advise:
#3 Rubble stone 1,517.00	Steel boilers 310.00	196.	Tite for slate roof \$
#5 Form lumber 100.00	Water heater 80.00	95.	Galvanized flashing \$473.00
#8 Back filling 132.00	Sewer conn. 520.00	820.	Bond - 834.00
	910.00	1111.	
#9 Cleaning up 200.00	Bid 6190.00		
#10 Footings 1,640.00	5280.00		
Bond 834.00			
Galv. flashing 473.00			

5 alternates	3,589.00
Bid -	54,725.00
General -	\$ 51,136.00
H. P. & V.	5,280.00
Electric	1,053.00
Rein forcing	800.00
Architect	3,766.00
	\$ 62,035.00

ALMcC:ahg
October 18th, 1927.

Mr. Walter H. Wheeler,
Chairman Building Committee,
Ft. Snelling Chapel & Community Centre, Inc.,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Re your letter October 5th, subject additional work at Fort Snelling Chapel, will say that in my opinion the installation of the heating boilers is advisable at this time.

Would recommend the installation of an "Ideal" boiler, due to the fact that all of our firemen have been trained on "Ideal" boilers.

In conversation with Mr. Splady, the building contractor, he informed me that all the sheet metal work has already been done and to change to copper now would entail additional cost over the difference between galvanized iron and copper.

Yours very truly,

A. L. McCOY,
Major, Q. M. Corps,
Quartermaster.

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November 21, 1927.

Hewitt & Brown, Inc.,
1200 2nd Ave. So.,
City

Gentlemen:

Subject: Fort Snelling Chapel

The Fort Snelling Chapel and Community Center Association, Inc. had a meeting today authorizing the building committee to instruct you to restore in the general contract, item "J", which amounted to \$2,388.00. Also, to add the cement floor in boiler room and fuel room at the price of \$96.30, also to make the necessary change in ~~entry~~ to provide organ room, construction change only \$7.00 and to add the door frame trim, painting door, hardware on door at \$39.00; Per letter of November 18, 1927 from Splady & Haagenon.

I understand the other items quoted in said letter of Splady & Haagenon are all included in item "J" which was omitted from the general contract and which you are now directed to restore to the contract.

Yours very truly,

WHW:NCS
Cc/S.T. McKnight,
S. M. Shepard,
Colonel W. E. Welsh
Chaplain Frank C. Rideout
Major McCoy
M. M. Cochran

Chairman Building Committee.

Minneapolis, Minn.
October 18, 1927

Hewitt & Brown, Inc. Architects.
1200 Second Ave., So.
Minneapolis, Minn.

Gentlemen:

Subject: Fort Snelling Chapel.

It has been decided to install the boilers for said building which were omitted from the heating contract under item A at a deduction of \$310.00.

Your specifications provide for Capital boilers and I understand from the Quartermaster at the Fort that if Ideal boilers are installed instead we will be entitled to a credit. Kindly advise amount of said credit, also, whether or not you approve the change to Ideal boilers. Post authorities prefer Ideal boilers as their firemen are acquainted with this make of boiler.

It has also been decided to change back to copper on the sheet metal work at the price of \$473.00, price at which it was deducted from the contract under item B, General Contract.

Yours very truly,

WHE:WHE

CHAIRMAN, BUT THE COMMITTEE

*Chaplain
Quartermaster*



Minneapolis, Minn.
October 5, 1927

Members of the Building Committee
Fort Snelling Chapel & Community Center Assn., Inc.

Gentlemen:

According to report received today cash on hand with
S. T. McKnight amounts to \$89,834.07; cash on hand and certifi-
cates of deposit with Mr. Shepard amounts to \$9,600.00; paid
on contracts \$13,030.47, which makes a total of \$112,464.54;
estimated total requirements based on contracts in force but not
allowing anything for contingencies \$50,600.00

Some members of the committee feel that we are now
justified in adding some of the items which we took out before
letting the contract. First, is the heating boilers at \$310.00.
Second, change sheet metal from galvanized iron to copper as
originally specified, \$473.00. It is also important that the
heating plant be installed in the building.

Colonel Welsh advises that there is sufficient three
column radiation at the post to install 80% of the radiation in
the first floor of the building. It will be necessary to change
this to 4 column radiation before completing the building as the
architect advises the 3 column radiators cannot be made long
enough in the spaces allowed to take care of all the radiation
required. Colonel Welsh offers to install the 3 column radiation
temporarily if the Committee will purchase the necessary valves
and fittings and also to install the boiler breeching if the
Committee will supply the materials.

Please let me know whether or not you approve the
above program.

Yours very truly

WHE:WHE

S. T. McKnight
E. W. Shepard
Colonel W. E. Welsh
Major McCoy
Chaplain Rice
H. M. Cochran

CHAIRMAN, BUILDING COMMITTEE

FROM

WALTER H. WHEELER
1117 M. L. Bldg.
MINNEAPOLIS 2, MINN.

Minneapolis, Minn.
October 6, 1927

Messrs. Hewitt & Brown, Inc. Archts.
1809 Second Ave., So.
Minneapolis, Minn.

Gentlemen: Subject: Port Snelling Chapel.

Yours dated 5th instant regarding space for organ
is received.

Will this change involve an extra on the present
contracts or when the building is complete? If so, please
advise the amount.

Very truly yours,

CHAIRMAN, BUILDING COMMITTEE

WHW:HVE

November 20, 1925

To "The Fort Snelling Chapel Building Committee"
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

In consideration of the award to us of the commission of architect of the proposed Chapel Building at Fort Snelling we agree when ordered by you to prepare the preliminary drawings, specifications and also estimates of cost for the proposed building and to revise and modify said drawings, specifications and estimates as requested by you until they have been finally approved by you. We will also, when directed by you, prepare a wash drawing of a perspective view of said building based upon said preliminary drawings. Upon our completion and your approval of all our said work you shall pay us an amount equal to one (1) per cent of the said approved estimated cost of said building less all previous payments.

After you have approved our preliminary drawings, and directed us to proceed we will prepare complete working drawings, based on the approved preliminary drawings, specifications and estimates, detail drawings and complete specifications covering the entire building complete with its decorative work and fixed equipment and grading of grounds, also including the drawings and specifications for plumbing, heating, electric wiring and lighting fixtures, ventilating, structural work, kitchen equipment and any other drawings and specifications that are required to fully complete the work and its equipment as directed by your building committee and submit said drawings and specifications to your building committee for their approval together with a complete detailed estimate of cost. We will make any minor modifications that are requested by you on the said drawings, specifications and estimate and secure your final approval thereof. We will then prepare the necessary proposal blanks, contract forms, and bond and secure your approval thereon. When directed by you, we will then prepare at least 12 sets of said approved drawings, specifications and proposal blanks, contract forms and bond forms and submit them to a list of contractors approved by you and secure from said contractors sealed bids covering the work, said bids to be received by us and delivered to the chairman of your building committee, to be opened and read in the meeting of your committee at which we, and the contractors may be present.

If bids for the work complete submitted by competent, reliable and responsible contractors do not come within our approved estimate or within a larger amount which is satisfactory to you, we agree to at once revise our said drawings, specifications and proposal blanks subject to your approval and take new bids until said bids come within our said approved estimate or an amount which is approved by you. Upon our completion and your approval of all our said work you shall pay us an additional amount equal to two and one-half ($2\frac{1}{2}\%$) per cent of the said approved estimated cost based upon our said working drawings and specifications and we agree that if you so desire you may then terminate this contract.

After an acceptable bid or bids have been received from a

contractor or contractors with whose standing and reputation both you and we are satisfied we will prepare the contracts and submit to you in quadruplicate for your approval before said contracts are finally executed, said contracts to be executed in quadruplicate, one each to be retained by you, one each by each contractor, one each by us, and one of each furnished to the bonding company. We will furnish you with duplicate sets of approved drawings and specifications, one of which sets shall be signed for identification by each original contractor when contracts are executed. We will furnish each original contractor three complete sets of approved drawings and specifications to use on the work.

After the contracts have been awarded and executed we will take charge of the construction, stake out the building on the ground for the contractor and give him the necessary grades. We will give our personal supervision at all times to the work until it is complete and final certificates issued by us and we will see to it that the work included in the various contracts is all faithfully and fully performed in accordance with the approved drawings, specifications and contracts.

We will place a competent inspector on the work and keep him there at all times when work is being done that requires such inspection. We will inspect all materials and workmanship which enters into the construction of the building and keep an accurate check upon the work of the contractors to see that everything is done that is required by the drawings, specifications and contracts. When concrete reinforcement is being placed or concrete work is being done, we will keep an inspector constantly on the work. On or about the first of each month we will prepare estimates of work performed and issue certificates for payment to the contractor, or contractors, for eighty-five percent (85%) of the work performed. At the same time we will render you a complete itemized accounting of the work done to that date.

When the work under each contract is complete we will make final inspection and if the work is fully performed in accordance with approved drawings, specifications and contract we will issue final certificate to the contractor and final itemized accounting to you.

As the work progresses you shall pay us monthly one and one-half per cent ($1\frac{1}{2}\%$) of the value of the work performed during the previous month. On completion and acceptance by you of all the work and issuance of the final certificates by us, you shall pay us one per cent (1%) of the total cost of the work done according to the approved drawings, specifications and contracts under our supervision, provided, however, that the total of all payments made to us by you shall not exceed an amount equal to six per cent of the amount of the approved contract price based upon our approved working drawings and specifications plus the cost of any extra items added by you after the contract is let.

It is understood that the cost of said building, mechanical equipment and grading shall not exceed Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000), including our six per cent fee and that we will prosecute our work diligently and with all reasonable speed so as to have the building ready for occupancy as soon as practicable. It is also understood that this contract may be terminated at any stage of the work by the payment of the fees therein specified to be paid for the work which has been performed by us prior to such termination.

It is understood that all drawings and papers which we submit to you for approval shall be in duplicate, one of said duplicates to be returned to us with corrections or approval except contracts which shall be in quadruplicate as hereinbefore provided. It is the intent of this proposal to provide for complete services and we shall expect to give you advice at all times on all matters pertaining to the work as requested by you as a part of such service.

We will furnish when requested by you or the contractors any additional copies of drawings, specifications or other papers provided we are reimbursed for the cost of same.

Dated at Minneapolis, Minnesota, this 20th day of November, 1925.

HEWITT & BROWN, Inc. ✓

By Edwin Hewitt
President.

Fort Snelling, Minnesota,
November 20th 1925.

On behalf of the "Fort Snelling Chapel Association" we hereby accept your offer as hereinbefore written and agree to make the payments for your services in the amounts and at the times specified.

Chapel and Community Center
FORT SNELLING BUILDING COMMITTEE, Chas. E. Inc.

By W. E. Webb

President

APPROVED: November 20th 1925.

THE FORT SNELLING CHAPEL ASSOCIATION,

By _____

C O N T R A C T

Fort Snelling Chapel
Building Committee

and

Hewitt & Brown, Inc.

May 29, 1926

12³⁰ PM
St Paul
Minnesota

Chaplain Frank C. Rideout

Captain U.S. Army

Fort Snelling Minn

Dear Comrade Chaplain

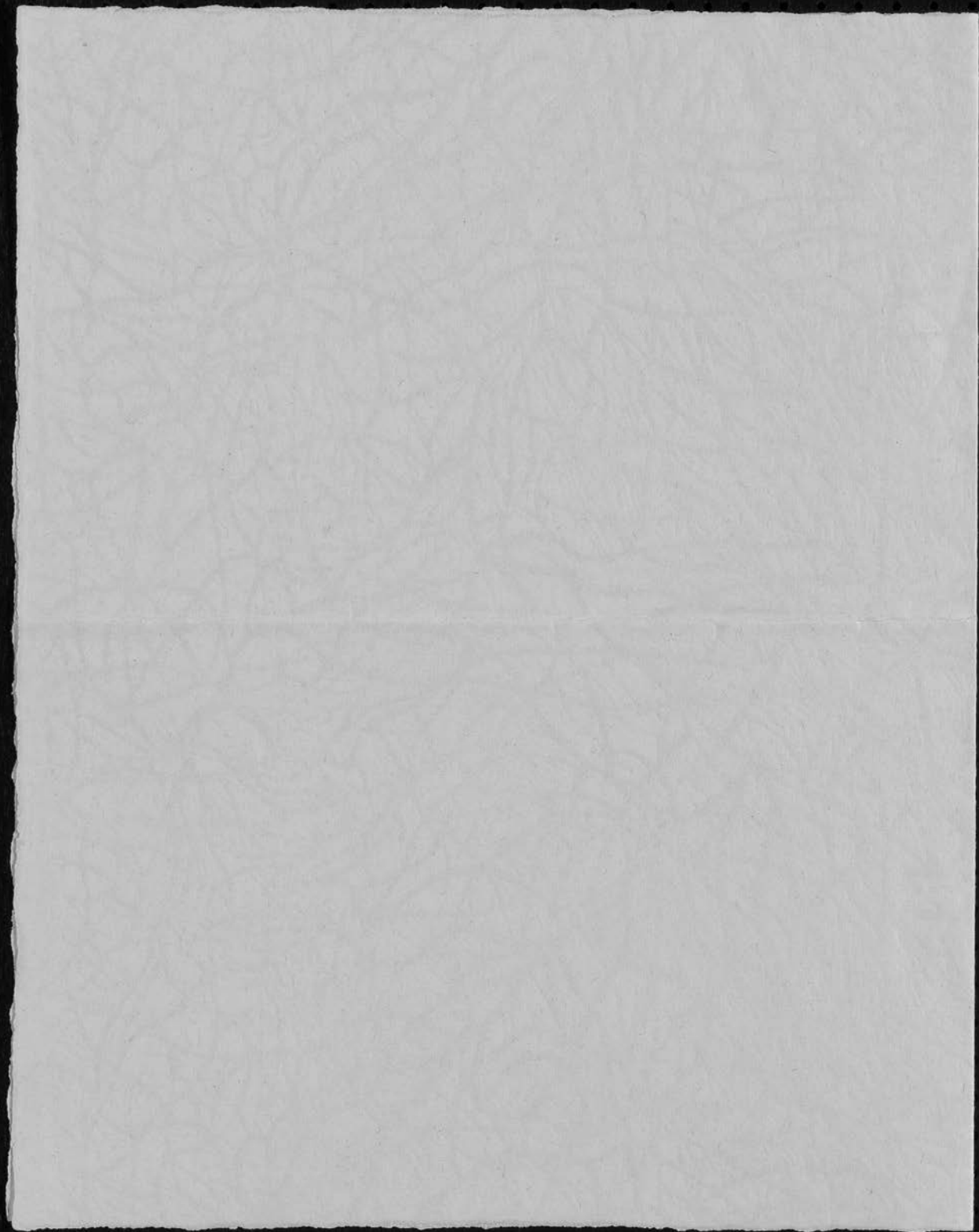
You will be glad to know that
a dear old friend of mine sent
me a check of \$100.00 for our V. F. W.
Organ Fund - which I turned
in to the credit of A. R. Patterson
Post No. 7 of which I am a member
(Mpls)
last night at their regular meeting

Now I should like to ask
one favor and that is that I
may be allowed to decorate the
Altar Sunday June 10th with
Flowers in the V. F. W. Memory -
I shall esteem this a great honor

May I also congratulate you
and as a nurse of long service with
Uncle Sam thank you personally for
the great work you have done
it will surely be a great tribute
to you in the years to come
for the wonderful chapel you have
worked so nobly for - we are
very proud of you - and you know
how much every member of the old
13th Minnesota Reg. love and
honor you as well as your own
3rd God bless you.

Loyalty + Respectfully
Theresa Erickson

Miss Theresa Erickson
415 Laurel ave
St. Paul Minn
May 29th - 28 -



Mrs



Chaplain Frank C. Rideout
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A WIDER LAKE STREET

The sentiment expressed at the City club meeting Monday night indicates that the business men along Lake street want something done to bring about the widening of the street. And these same men seem to be of one mind as to how they want this done. Take three feet from the sidewalk on each side of the street, remove all electric and telephone poles and put the wires underground.

This is a comparatively simple undertaking compared to the proposition advanced some years ago to make the street one hundred feet wide by taking as much from the lots fronting the street. It is practically impossible now to find anyone who favors this rash, expensive and foolhardy undertaking. An addition of six feet to the width of the street would be ample to properly take care of the traffic and meet the desires of the business men. The cost would be nominal, approximately four dollars a front foot. This would be spread over a period of five years, making the annual cost to the owner of a fifty-foot lot about forty dollars plus interest for five years. Apparently this is not a very staggering amount for the owner of any Lake street business property to assume when the rents exacted for the store buildings along the street are taken into consideration.

The successful carrying out of this improvement at this time would add greatly to the appearance and facilities of the street and have a beneficial effect on business. It should have the united support of the business men and property owners.

WORK TOGETHER

No section or community ever developed its natural resources and extended its business activities to the fullest extent possible without the united and whole-hearted support of all business men. Experience teaches that where factional groups are working for selfish motives and pulling in opposite directions only friction and hostility results and nothing good is accomplished. Where such conditions exist a community drifts along, losing opportunity after opportunity to bring about desirable improvements and finally wakes up to the realization that some other nearby community has secured the benefits that should have been theirs, and forged ahead. There is nothing like teamwork to get the results that count. The Lake district should set an example for other Minneapolis communities by working as a unit for all desirable undertakings. This kind of co-operation pays big dividends.

ABOUT THAT PAY BOOST

The only serious criticism made on congressmen for increasing their own salaries is that, as usual, they avoided a record vote.

And that criticism reaches much wider than this bill.

Congressmen know that the increase was proper, but they assumed their constituents did not. This is the common assumption.

Some Congressmen doubtless have more sense than others, but, taken as a whole, they are not an impossibly stupid lot.

If they would use the sense they have, it would be enough.

But when they dare use only

the sense they think their constituents have and measure that by its stupidest samples, the standard is too low.

All the intelligence a congressman has is not likely to be too much for the public needs.

To give less, because he thinks his constituents have less, is to malign his district and to cheat his country.

MOTORS

It is truly a world on wheels we live in. Last year new motor vehicles cost the world three and a third billion dollars.

Department of Commerce informs you that during the year there were assimilated 3,300,000 passenger cars and trucks and 200,000 motor cycles. Average price per car was \$1,000, per motorcycle \$300.

Twenty-five years ago the automobile was an experiment. Today there is one to every six persons—or nearly so.

The finest health tonic we have been able to find is hard work and lots of it. Actually we have grown fat on it and unhesitatingly recommend it to all others.

In view of recent developments President Coolidge probably would like to withdraw those eulogistic remarks in his inaugural address concerning congress.

Bills to Regulate Barbers And the Beauty Specialists

The general legislation committee of the Minnesota house Monday recommended for passage two bills affecting barbers and beauty specialists. The barber bill provides that women in order to bob hair must pass an examination. The measure requires one year of training for women before examination and two years for men.

The beauty specialists' bill would place all beauty specialists under regulation, would create an examining board and provides that an applicant must have practiced at the trade for at least 500 hours.

Both bills are expected to pass in the house.

John R. Lewis, Minneapolis Resident Since 1909, Dies

John R. Lewis, 3037 Cedar avenue, Minneapolis, died Monday noon at Deaconess hospital, after a brief illness. He was 53 years old. Mr. Lewis had been a resident of Minneapolis since 1909, and was employed in the dressgoods department of L. S. Donaldson Co. He is survived by Mrs. Lewis and a son, John, Jr., 10 years of age. Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday at the Welsh Presbyterian church, Lake street and Fifteenth avenue south, with burial at Lakewood cemetery.

HOME CENTER ACTIVITIES

Monday, March 30

Millinery Class under Miss Carlotta Brown at 10 o'clock.

2 p. m. Third lesson on Home Decoration by Miss Jean McHugh on Selection and Arrangement of Furniture.

Wednesday, April 1

Millinery Class, Miss Brown, 10 o'clock.

Thursday, April 2

Food Demonstration by Miss Bertha Rand at 2:30 p. m. on "Spring Tonics for Jaded Appetites."

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Monday, March 30

West Lake Clothing Group at Clinton School. Mrs. P. N. Stocker, Mrs. J. R. Gilbreath, Mrs. H. Bohler and Mrs. G. W. Gilson.

Tuesday, March 31

West Broadway Clothing Group, Mrs. D. A. Olson and Mrs. J. F. Partington, local leaders.

Wednesday, April 1

Last meeting of millinery group in the Minnehaha-Nokomis District at the home of Mrs. A. C. Holmgren, 5206 42nd Avenue South.

Meeting of Minnehaha-Nokomis clothing group. Mrs. A. E. Jones and Mrs. P. M. Larson, local leaders.

Thursday, April 2

Washburn Park clothing at Rosedale School. Mrs. Done Cole, Mrs. Frank Creighton and Mrs. Charles Van Wegen, leaders.

Sunnyside clothing at West High School. Mrs. J. R. Vessels and Mrs. H. J. Lee, leaders.

Friday, April 3

Meeting of millinery group, University District, Mrs. Lulah Taber, leader.

Meeting of millinery group, Plymouth District, at the home of Mrs. C. E. Sawyer, 1524 Girard Ave. N. Mrs. J. E. Guy, local leader.

Keen Eye Bedtime Stories

By Lewis Lister

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THE AUTO GHOST AND THE HAUNTED HOUSE

Many years ago there had lived on the main road that led out to the foothills an old blacksmith. Before the days of the autos he did a thriving business shoeing horses and repairing wagons. He had a wife and one son. The wife was taken ill and died and soon afterward the old blacksmith joined her in the country churchyard. The boy, who had grown to young manhood, left the community, and, so far as the residents were concerned, the family was almost forgotten save by some old settler. The old house went to rack and ruin and some of the mountain folk told stories of seeing lights in the old house at night and hearing strange noises. They said the place was haunted. The stories lost nothing in the telling and after the paved highway was built past the place the old-timers amused the tourists with weird tales of ghosts.

Of course sensible people do not believe in ghosts but it so happened that one evening as the local editor and a business man were driving along the road, a white robed figure appeared out of the doorway and disappeared down the hill. It made a good story for the newspaper and soon the haunted house was advertised far and wide. People came from miles around in their cars to look and pass comments. Not long after the white figure appeared the son of the old couple returned to his native place and erected a small restaurant and road house just across the road from his old home, which he left as it had been.

Business was especially good at his resort as many enjoyed the stories at first hand from a man who had once lived in the house.

Late one evening as a party was about to take their leave of the road house, they were astonished to see a shaft of light as if made from two auto headlights appear on the high rock that skirted the highway just above the blacksmith's former home. An auto filled with people came rushing down the hill at break neck speed, and even the horn was heard to sound. The car turned over and all was dark.

With hurried steps all of the witnesses hastened to the scene and expected to find the mangled remains of four people and a demolished car. To their complete surprise there were no marks of a car leaving the road. There was absolutely no trace of either people or car at the foot of the incline. As those who witnessed the supposed tragedy were all reliable people, the story soon gained such publicity that crowds came by the thousands, and the roadhouse did an immense business.

A few nights after the first incident related, the same thing occurred again. Same bright lights. Same car filled with the same people went over the bank and again all was dark. The mayor of the town appealed to Keen Eye to solve the mystery.

Each night Keen Eye took up his watch by the roadside, unknown to the people who ran the roadhouse. At last the phantom wreck occurred again as before and the next morning Keen Eye made a report to the mayor.

Keen Eye told the mayor that by a cleverly devised trick a motion picture of a wreck was made to appear on the rock along side of the road, and it was so accurately arranged that it appeared to come down the road, where as it was on the rock in motion picture, off and dark before people watching could get details of the affair or study it out. The young man arranged it to bring crowds to his place of business. Another mystery was solved by Keen Eye.

SPIRIT OF THE MOUNTAIN—THE WITCH AND FAIRY

One evening as Keen Eye sat on his front porch enjoying a band concert which was being played in the park two blocks down the street, his attention was attracted by a moving light on the mountain side some miles away. Back and forth, up and down the light seemed to be flashing a message. In the army Keen Eye had learned the signals of light flares and he was not long in reading a call for help.

He summoned his faithful companions, Long Legs, and Bob and picking up the two Indians as he drove out of town, they traveled at record speed as they left the lights of the city far in the rear. Arriving at the foothills, they were obliged to abandon the car and proceed on foot up the steep road that led up the mountain. The moon had come out from behind the clouds and save for an occasional owl hooting, or the call of a night bird, all was quiet with a gentle breeze rustling the leafy foliage.

They had gone perhaps half a mile after leaving the car, Keen Eye as usual in the lead, when he came upon an old woman seated by the roadside. A second look revealed her to be a good specimen of a witch, such as you see in the children's books. Keen Eye did not believe in witches, yet to all appearances here was a witch in the flesh. "Kind Sir," she said, addressing Keen Eye, "will you please give me a bite to eat?" "Why surely," said Keen Eye who always carried plenty of food

for his trips. He gave the old woman food and drink and after bidding her farewell, proceeded up the hillside to try and locate the mysterious light.

After going some quarter of a mile he again saw the strange light, this time close at hand. The signal was held by an old man, perhaps seventy years of age.

"I am an old mountaineer," said the man, "I am too feeble to go to the town for supplies and I had no one to send, so I made the signals thinking someone might understand." He beckoned Keen Eye to enter his cabin and after a supply of food was given him to eat, the old man said: "Back of this cabin there is a cave. In that cave are valuable stones and crystals. It is called the fairy cave."

After the old Mountaineer had partaken of food he invited the party to enter the cave, but first exacting a promise that they would not reveal the place to anyone else. After a narrow passage way between overhanging rocks they were soon in a great cavern, and only for the flashlights could they have found their way. Farther on they went, now traveling on what seemed to be solid rock floor. Finally they arrived at what appeared to be a great door in the wall. The old man touched a button and the door swung open. Another button was pressed and the place was flooded with electric lights. The walls and ceiling were like diamonds, the lights so bright as to almost blind them. Looking toward the upper end of the large room they discovered the old woman who had asked for food but a short time before. She was seated on what seemed to be a throne. As she arose to her feet her old black clothes fell away and there before them, dressed in white spangled costume was a beautiful young lady who looked like a princess.

"This is my daughter," said the old man, "and she will speak to you."

"This is our fairy cave," said the princess, "and had you refused me the food I asked, when disguised as a poor old woman, you would never have been invited to the cave."

"You were generous to a lonely old woman as you believed me to be," she told Keen Eye, "and now I know we can trust you with the valuable stones and minerals which are all about us. My father is too old to carry on the work, and so we extend to you an invitation to look after all of this property, for which we will pay you well."

So it was that for a little act of kindness on the part of Keen Eye, he was repaid many times over. They made many trips after that and secured valuable stones and minerals which were sold in the city. Keen Eye never took more than his share and made it a point to give one-tenth of all the money he made to the poor and unfortunate.

FORT SNELLING CHAPEL

By Frank C. Rideout
Chaplain, U. S. A.

Mayor George E. Leach is absolutely right when he says: "It is little short of an outrage that this military reservation (Fort Snelling) has not been provided with a church." For a community of 2,000 permanent residents, and a steady stream of the finest specimens of young American manhood to the approximate number of 3,000 passing annually through the summer camps at this station it amounts to a reproach upon the Christian and patriotic forces of the state, and particularly of the Twin Cities, which can be removed only in one way—by providing the necessary chapel as speedily as possible.

With approximately one-third of the troops of the regular army improperly and uncomfortably housed there is no likelihood that the government will undertake the task of providing chapels for the large number of army stations for at least many years; perhaps never. The government will readily permit the churches and the patriotic forces of the nation to provide for this necessity, however. Is not this fact a challenge to the Christianity of the churches and to the patriotism of the people? Fort Snelling has made its generous contribution to the nation's well-being in years long gone by. The garrison was founded over a century ago in order to protect the scattered farmers, fur-trading posts, and the infant industries of a territory quite unknown as yet to the rest of our American nation.

If there is any place in Minnesota which ought to become a shrine for the people of this state, that place is Fort Snelling. Soldiers stood on sentry at that garrison during all the perilous days of the country's settlement, and their presence there was the only guarantee of safety for the early settlers of the "covered wagon" days. Moreover, Minnesota boys have gone through Fort Snelling to every battle front where "Old Glory" has been flung aloft to the breeze in defense of justice and the sacred rights of humanity. This has been especially true

during the last 100 years. Fort Snelling was the place of reveille for soldiers going to the Civil War, the Indian Wars, the Spanish-American War, and the last great World War.

The one stipulation which the government makes in a matter of this kind is that when a chapel is erected on a military reservation it must be done with the provision that such a house of worship must be "pan-sectarian and donations thereto not limited to any sect or society." Perhaps right here is a stone of stumbling!

If the government had said that any creed or denomination could monopolize the situation—first come, first served—the sects would undoubtedly have fallen over one another for the first chance to build and to exploit the field. If this is the measure of our Christian outlook, then we need another vision of our task. It has been one of the scandals of our civilization that churches have over-lapped and duplicated their efforts in many small communities in order to outdo one another denominationally; and so keen has been the rivalry that multitudes of villages with less than 2,000 souls have half a score or more of churches, all struggling to do just about the same thing.

The men of the army belong to the nation. They represent the people of the nation for the peace, safety and honor of our country. They have often been called, may now be called upon at any moment, to risk their lives in meeting a crisis at home or abroad. They are cut off from the privileges of home, and the home church. When, in the World War, there were millions of them in service and every home had its representative, there was a tremendous wave of interest in the spiritual welfare of the enlisted men. Now that demobilization has brought the number down, instead of a representative of every home, there is scarcely one home in 100 that has a son in army or navy. But is Christian interest to be selfish? Are we, as Christians, to be vitally interested only where one of our own home circle is involved? Such is not Christianity.

The souls of the men now in service are as precious as the souls of those in civilian life. The men in service today are in the midst of peculiar temptations and spiritual as well as physical danger. The church and the public must keep up interest. We must keep active in spiritual ministry to these men. The army chaplain is the right arm of contact for the churches in this direction. And such an appeal for the bread of life as comes from Fort Snelling's 2,000 persons now should not be met with a stone of indifference. Every patriotic and every Christian citizen should undertake to meet this challenge and stab awake the conscience of Twin Cities people; and awaken to responsive, definite action those forces of righteousness which ought to be concerned in this enterprise.

Here is a program which will make vocal the essential unity of the church. It is really big enough to draw together the religious and patriotic forces of the Twin Cities in the bonds of a common sympathy, interest and task perhaps as nothing else within the realm of their present activities. To undertake a task like this will undoubtedly win for the churches and the patriotic forces the approval and the admiration of thousands of on-lookers to whom such an effort will be a practical demonstration of what is being preached from the pulpits all the time, that the Master's prayer may be fulfilled: "That they all may be one."

This is a time when moral leadership is wanted in a deserving cause. Men of vital faith and clear vision can co-operate in this undertaking, as they could not be expected to co-operate in many other enterprises. Such a co-operative movement and crusade upon the part of the churches of the Twin Cities will make vocal in symphonic strains of harmonious effort that fact of all facts which needs to be convincingly expressed today, and which has not been, and cannot be expressed in song only, though we have been trying to express it that way for over a hundred years as we have sung with great gusto: "We are not divided, All one body we, One in hope and doctrine, One in charity." This fine old song now needs the added emphasis of illustrative deeds. "By their fruits ye shall know them," and not by their Sunday songs.

Girls Warned That First Drink Does the Most Harm

It's the first drink that does the harm, that causes girls' feet to take to the primrose road, not the last drink.

This is the view of Dr. E. M. Mosher, 78 years old, Brooklyn, oldest active woman physician in America, and 50 years a physician Wednesday, when she was honored in New York by several medical organizations.

"During my career," she said, "I have spent years in work as a physician among prison women. Many of them traced their downward career back to the first, apparently harmless drink of alcoholic beverage."

"It's the first drink, I would warn girls against. When a girl takes her first drink, she immediately loses her moral tone. She is not the same. Her nervous system is more delicate than that of a man and it does not do for her to drink."

COMRADESHIP

Do we, as comrades from the various wars in which our great country has taken its part, believe in Comradeship? We most surely do.

Comradeship stimulates love for our country and for all it stands.

The veteran, as well as the soldier, sailor and marine in active service for Uncle Sam, is thrilled anew when our flag is brought into the room at the opening of our meetings; and it seems to me I feel anew that my God, my Country, and my Flag are watching over me.

Comradeship is something very hard for any one to understand who has not seen service--it binds us together for the best that is in us. If this is true, we must not forget that we have a great duty before us--Americanization, Patriotism, Americanism--who should by right of understanding be better fitted to set an example to others than veterans, especially in teaching the children of our land and the newcomers to our shores that here in America we can live as good neighbors--Catholic, Jew, or Protestant--Republican or Democrat--matters not. The thing that matters is whether we stand together in what is best for our country's welfare and for those that are to come after us.

Who can ever forget what a wonderful inspiration of protection and love swept through our veins in Cuba, the jungles of the far-away Philippines, China, France, when over and about us Old Glory was waving her bright colors? God, Country and Home those stars and stripes meant and oh how proud we were that it meant America to us!

One night over in France the writer was sent to another hospital a night's journey away. By some blunder she found herself the only American on the train taking her to relieve some nurse at the other end. There was darkness everywhere except for some stars above. She had in her uniform pocket a small American flag--and placing this above her head, and with a little prayer, she felt a perfect assurance of protection.

Thank God for our Country and let us set the example to all the world that we believe in America and that it is the duty of everyone living under its protection to become an honest, God-fearing citizen.

Comrades, in Americanization, Patriotism and Americanism, we will stand together!

Theresa Erickson

A. R. Patterson Port no 7

N. Z. W.

HEADQUARTERS, FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA.
OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN

April 4, 1928

Mr. Walter H. Wheeler
1110 Metropolitan Life Bldg.,
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Sir ;

We are planning on dedicating the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel and Community Center on the week commencing May 27, 1928, if possible.

In connection therewith we are expecting to publish a souvenir program containing a brief sketch of the project together with such items as may be of general interest such as memorial gifts etc.

It seems to me that the souvenir would not be complete without pictures of the persons who have been most prominently identified with the Memorial and I would appreciate it if you would send me a photograph of yourself for insertion in the booklet. Photograph will be promptly returned after using.

I am planning to have pictures appear of the following ;

1. Honorable Theodore Christianson, Honorary Chairman.
2. Mr. Carl T. Schuneman, Chairman, St. Paul Committee.
3. Mr. Sumner T. McKnight, Chairman, Minneapolis Committee.
4. Mr. Walter H. Wheeler, Chairman Building Committee.
5. Colonel W. E. Welsh, Pres. Chapel Association, Commanding Officer.
6. The Architect, Hewitt & Brown.
7. The Builder, Mr. Splady.
8. Chaplain Frank C. Rideout
9. Picture of the Chapel.
10. Cuts of Special Memorials.

Yours Cordially

Frank C. Rideout
Chaplain, U. S. A.

FCR/her

FORT SNELLING STATE PARK
MEMORIAL CHAPEL



Olivia

STATE OF MINNESOTA
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF STATE PARKS

For your enjoyment all the marked memorials in the Chapel are listed below:

CHIMES	Dedicated on April 6, 1930 by The Department of Minnesota, American Legion Auxilary
ORGAN	Dedicated On March 31, 1964 by The Veterans of Foreign Wars and The Ladies Auxilary, Dept. of Minn.
CHANCEL PEWS	Dedicated by Women of the Episcopal diocese of Minn. in memory of Rev. Ezekiel Gilbert Gear; 1st Chaplin at Fort Snelling 1793 - 1874
BAPTISMAL FOUNT	To the memory of Elizabeth R. Snelling; 1st white child to be born in Minnesota. Donated by Erren Monument Co., St. Paul, Minnesota
PLAQUES	For his generous service, the lighting system was installed in his honor Chaplin Frank Connors Rideout U.S. Army
"	Interested and faithful friend of Fort Snelling Chapel. James H. Weed 1845 - 1929
"	Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel erected by the soldiers & citizens of Minn. - Through Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel & Community Center Assn. Inc.
WINDOWS	In memoriam Right Rev. Henry Benjiman Whipple D.D. L.L.D. First Bishop of Minnesota 1859 - 1901
"	To the glory of God & in loving memory of Ezekiel Gilbert Gear; 1st Chaplin at Fort Snelling 1793 - 1874
"	Pioneer Missionaries who reduced the Dakota language to writing - arrived at Fort Snelling May 7, 1834
"	In memoriam Jessie Olney Hodges daughter 1884 - 1910 Carrol Borden Hodges 1882 - 1951 Lt. Col. U.S. Army

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WINDOWS

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ALTAR WINDOWS 2

ALTAR WINDOW 1

BALCONY WINDOW

NAVE PEWS

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In memoriam Charles Libbeus Hodges
Major General U.S. Army 1847 - 1911
His wife Anna Borden Hodges 1848 - 1929

In memory of
Gideon Hollister Pond 1810 - 1878
Samuel Wilson Pond 1808 - 1891

To the memory of the illustrious
John Ireland Chaplin 5th Minnesota
Civil War and 1st Archbishop of St.
Paul by Col. James A. Troy, Fort
Snelling Chaplin 1942

Here June 11, 1835 was founded a
Presbyterian Church, now the first
Presbyterian Church of Minneapolis

Rev. Thomas S. Williamson, missionary
Col. Gustavus Loomis, clerk
Dr. Samuel W. Pond, Henry H. Sibley
Alexander Huggins, Elders

In memory of Jacob Henry Stewart
MD Surgeon

1st Regiment of Minnesota
Infantry U.S. Volunteers

3rd Infantry 1784 "Noli Me Tangere"

William Colbrook Rideout 1847 - 1924
Lydia Ann Bishop Rideout 1844 - 1905
by Frank G. Rideout

Mrs. Jessie Hale Tuttle 1929 by
St. Anthony Falls D.A.R. Chapter

Commemorating Service in the World
War of our soldier sons
Monument Chapter D.A.R. 1929

In memoriam Brigadier General B.I.B.
Irwin U.S. Army
by his children

In loving memory of Edward Allyn
Webb by Luella Webb

Francis Knowles Wheeler
by C.H. & W.H. Wheeler

NAVE PEWS

Maria Sanford Chapter D.A.R.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 1928

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Ella Sturgis Pennington Auxiliary
No. 21

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Robert Bruce Lengion by his
daughter Caroline L. Brooks

"

13th Minn. Volunteer Infantry 1928
by Ladies Auxiliary 13th Minn.
Regiment Assn.

"

Hamilton Fish Camp No. 7 1928
United Spanish War Veterans

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The Board of Home Missions &
Church 1928 Extension of the
Methodist Episcopal Church

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The St. Paul Housewives League of
St. Paul, Minnesota 1928

LECTERN

Captain John Holmes Chapter
D.A.R. 1928

PULPIT

Minnesota Society Sons of the
American Revolution

ALTAR

In memoriam Levi Longfellow 1842 -
1926 Pioneer Patriot by his daughters

LARGE CHAIRS

Presented by Minnesota State
Federation of Fraternal Women 1929

COMMUNION RAIL

General James Knapp Chapter
Daughters of the American
Revolutions

CHOIR ROOD SCREEN

Minneapolis Lions Club 1928

HOLDERS FOR HYMN NUMBERS

Minneapolis Lions Club 1928

PORCH DOOR

Presented by Dept. of Minn. Womens
relief Corps Auxiliary to the Grand
Army of the Republic in honor of the
men enlisted in the Civil War from
Minnesota 1861 - 1865

The Reverend A. E. Knickerbocker, Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Minneapolis, who recently returned from a meeting of the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America in New York City, of which he is the Northwest representative, has announced a gift of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel and Community Center as a memorial to Chaplain Ezekiel Gilbert Gear, pioneer clergyman of the great northwest.

He also announces that Mr. Charles Mason Remy, distinguished citizen of Washington D. C., and a grand nephew of Father Gear's will erect a memorial tablet to his memory in the Chancel of the new Chapel. The tablet was made of Italian marble under the personal supervision of Mr. Remy during a trip abroad the past summer. A bronze memorial tablet is also being placed in the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour in Fairbault. The portrait of this distinguished pioneer clergyman now hangs in the Minnesota Historical Society rooms in St. Paul.

Reverend Ezekiel Gilbert Gear was born in Middletown, Connecticut, September 13, 1793. He died in Minneapolis, Minnesota, October 13, 1873. He was ordained in holy orders in the State of New York. In 1839 he came to Fort Snelling as Army Chaplain, being the first man sent to what is now Minnesota. On his way over the snow and ice his sleigh turned over on the ice at Prairie du Chein and so injured his hip that he ever after he was lame. From that time on he conducted all religious services in sitting posture.

Having been granted to extend his labors beyond the soldiers of the old garrison he conducted the first religious services in both Minneapolis (then St. Anthony) and St. Paul. He assisted in the laying of the corner stone of Holy Trinity Church, St. Anthony, October 30, 1850; and preached the dedicatory sermon April 15, 1852. He served as Chaplain at Fort Snelling from 1839 to 1858 when the Fort was temporarily abandoned. The two succeeding years he spent as a Missionary among the Indians and half breeds in the vicinity of the Fort. From 1860 to 1867 he was stationed at Fort Ripley when he retired and settled permanently in Minneapolis. At the time of his death he had lived longer in Minnesota than any other white person.

Father Gear was twice married. His first wife was Miranda Cook whom he married in Chesterfield N. H., March 22, 1819. His second wife was Mary Yardley How whom he married May 16, 1829 and who came with him to Fort Snelling. She was the daughter of a Revolutionary soldier, and outlived him many years dying in Minneapolis October 18, 1892.

A special memorial ceremonial will be held by the Clergy of the Episcopal Church for the unveiling of the Chaplain Gear Memorial tablet during the dedicatory services of the new Fort Snelling Chapel, which will in all probability be on the Sunday preceeding the week upon which Memorial Day falls in May.

from
WALTER H. WHEELER
1112 N. 1st Bldg.
MINNAPOLIS, MINN.

FORT SNELLING CHAPEL ESTIMATE

APRIL 7, 1928

Contracts in Force or Paid:

General Contract	54 725.00
Extra Replace Footings & Completing Foundations	701 00
Change to accommodate organ	46 00
Change in tower	220 00
Color - Basement floor	73 00
Statue Carving	385 00
Cross Carving	28 00
Heating, Ventilation & Plumbing Contract	1 535 00
Pin Radiator in Balcony	345 00
Three Additional Floor Drains	115 00
American Radiator Boiler	293 00
Addition to Heating & Plumbing	647 00
Electrical Work Contract	1 053 00
Additions to Heating Equipment, pur. by the Fort:	

No. 37	114 19
" 36	123 48
" 35	19 10
" 34	11 88
" 33	8 16
" 22	7 94
" 21	9 70
" 17	12 08
" 16	13 68
" 15	192 91
" 14	33 21
" 13	10 99
" 5	3 40
" 4	14 88
" 3	70 22

Reinforcing Steel	800 00
Sand, etc.	194 18
Paid Architect	450 00
" "	1 973 84
To Pay Architect, approximately	2 000 00
Lighting Fixture Contract	650 00
Furniture Ordered	2 611 00
Altar Rail	191 40
Hymn Books	100 00
Sunday School Furniture	516 00
Kitchen Stove	100 00

Total, approximately \$ 70 368.24

Chapel Equipment Required, but not ordered:

Choir Seating	495 00
East-half pews	1 025 00
Balcony Seats	280 00
Basement Lights Estimated	200 00
Basement Furnishings Estimated	500 00
Organ	10 000 00
Painting Walls	1 200 00

Total Estimate \$ 84 068 24



3rd Infantry

HEADQUARTERS
FORT SNELLING, MINN.
Office of the Chaplain

May 21, 1928.

Subject : Invitation to Dedication of Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel.

To : All Posts and Auxiliaries of the Veterans Of Foreign Wars .

1. The Commanding Officer at Fort Snelling, Colonel W.E. Welsh desires me to issue a special invitation to all members of the V.F.W. and Auxiliary to attend the Dedicatory Cereimonial of the Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel on Sunday June 10, 1928, at 3.00 o'clock in the afternoon .

2. The Commanding Officer feels that your organization has taken a distinctive place of honor in this outstanding Minnesota Memorial in the fact that you are now engaged in the task of providing the last necessity and the most outstanding memorial gift of all - that of a pipe organ in memory of all Minnesota soldiers who have made the supreme sacrifice while fighting for the Stars and Stripes on Foreign soil .

3. In reality the memorial organ will be the soul of the Chapel, and we want the members of the V.F.W. and Auxiliary to visualize the splendid task which you are accomplishing in this wonderful undertaking . Colonel Welsh extends his warm appreciation for what you are doing . Undoubtedly, after your task is completed the Minnesota Department, V.F.W., and Auxiliary will be the recipients of an honor citation from higher military authorities in the War Department at Washington .

Frank C. Rideout.

Frank C. Rideout
Chaplain, U.S.A.



HEADQUARTERS
Fort Snelling, Minnesota

Office of the Chaplain
January First, 1925

Mr. Gaylord Warner,
Minneapolis, Minn.

My dear Mr. Warner:-

I am mailing to you under separate cover three copies of a little brochure which I prepared some six months ago on the necessity of a chapel at Fort Snelling. This pamphlet will answer about all the questions which may arise.

On page 16 will be found an extract from the primary letter of Colonel Bjornstad to the War Department requesting permission to build a chapel. That page needs to be revised somewhat under the present circumstances, perhaps as follows :

(1). Colonel Mears thinks that stone can be bought from the quarries and placed on the ground cheaper than it can be obtained from the Mississippi River bottom.

(2). Perhaps red tile can be found for the roof, but I am not sure that it would be suitable. The present Quartermaster thinks not.

(3). It is very doubtful about the condition and suitability of a salvaged heating plant for a new building.

(4). I have dealt with this in my former communication.

As to other enquiries in your letter, for the specific questions please refer to pages as indicated:

Population of Garrison.....Page 3.

Question of outside assistance.....Page 13.

I trust you will read the entire pamphlet, in the light of the fact that many small civilian communities have built chapels for the army. No other army station in the entire nation is so advantageously located contiguous to such large, wealthy, prosperous cities. The Twin Cities have merely overlooked the missionary opportunity and challenge of this situation - that is the story in a nutshell.

With kind regards, I am,

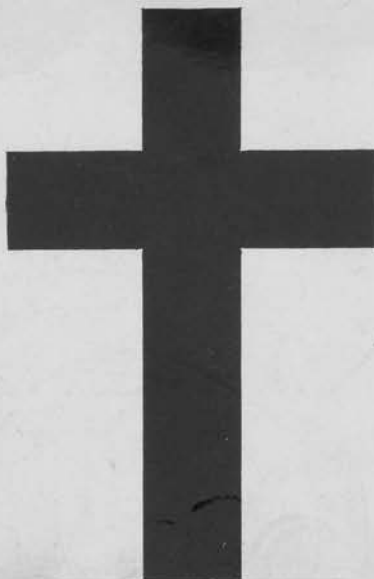
Most cordially yours,

Frank C. Rideout

P.S. I am having a funeral of a young woman who died in child birth at my own quarters tomorrow because there is no other suitable place for it. Does this not remind you of "No room in the inn." H.C.R.

-1964- Owner Of Ramplet, Arnold
E. Kahnert, Mpls, Minnesota
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Mrs. Arnold E. Kahnert
5621 26th Ave. So.
Minneapolis, Minn.



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18A Fri., Oct. 27, 1967
Arnold Kahnert

SHOULD THE
FORT SNELLING MILITARY RESERVATION
BE PROVIDED WITH A
HOUSE OF DIVINE WORSHIP?
AND, IF SO,
HOW CAN IT BE PROVIDED?

By
CHAPLAIN FRANK C. RIDEOUT,
Captain, United States Army



VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION OF THE
THIRD US INFANTRY REGIMENT
"The Old Guard"



ANNUAL SPRING PARTY 6 MAY 1967



COAT OF ARMS, 3RD U. S. INFANTRY
"The Old Guard of the Army"—General Winfield Scott

Now stationed at Fort Snelling, Minn.

Introduction

FORT SNELLING, founded in the year 1819, has now entered upon the second century of its existence as a military garrison. During all these years this fine old military post has never had an adequate and suitable place for divine worship; and this condition obtains today in spite of the fact that it is one of the most important military posts in the entire nation, having a population of over 1500 enlisted men, 75 officers, and approximately 500 civilians, including the wives and children of officers and non-commissioned officers.

It is to the everlasting credit of our nation as a whole that such a deplorable condition exists in very few communities of equal population, while there are thousands of country hamlets and villages of equal size which may boast of half a dozen or more churches. Indeed there are many communities having less than a score of families, which take a just pride in the fact that they have at least one consecrated building within their midst.

It is almost a startling fact, when we look upon it in the light of the modern missionary enterprise, that Fort Snelling, lying on the very fringe of the Twin Cities with a permanent, though ever-changing, population of about two thousand souls, has absolutely no settled place for the worship of God. Fort Snelling, older than the oldest city of the commonwealth of Minnesota, has witnessed the growth of these great cities with their cathedrals of commerce; their remarkable, world-renowned industries; their social enterprises; and their magnificent churches. And yet, Fort Snelling has existed all these years without even a place where the Ark of the Covenant might rest. And nobody seems to have been offended. Nobody has seemed to complain. And everybody seems tolerably content to just let things go on and on this way forever. On the other hand it has been one of the scandals of our civilization that churches have overlapped and duplicated their efforts in many places

in order to out-do one another denominationally; and so keen has been the rivalry that multitudes of villages with less than two thousand souls have half a score or more of churches, all struggling to do just about the same thing.

Historical

HISTORICALLY, Fort Snelling holds the central place of interest in all the panorama of wonderful life enacted in the romantic days of the opening up of the regions of the great Northwest. Primarily, it was a religious enthusiasm which gave this territory to the nation. Devoted missionaries of the Church, Marquette, Allouez, Hennepin, and other intrepid souls, came first to plant the standard of the Cross amidst the savage tribes of the northland. Loyal to the traditions of their sacred calling, they left the imprint of their early presence as nomenclators—naming rivers, lakes, and islands for their patron saints.

Then came the British fur traders, Lords of the North, exercising their baronial power far from the critical eyes of a juster civilization. In the frontier days Fort Snelling stood as a bulwark of defense against the encroachments of those whose only interest was the exploitation of the Indian, and the natural resources of his native soil. In those far-off days, three or four generations removed from our own, the soldiers of the nation put their sacred lives and fortunes between the infant settlements of the great north country and all possible danger. For over half a century officers and enlisted men of the army remained on duty at this lonely outpost of our pioneer civilization, for no other purpose than to protect the early settlers and their infant industries.

The history of Fort Snelling records suffering upon the part of the nation's soldiery during those early years, which, for heroism and devotion to an ideal, only has a parallel in the annals of the Pilgrim Fathers at Plymouth Rock. As high as 40 soldiers—one-third of the troops at the garrison—died while striving to endure the rigors of the first winter. This fact gives some faint idea of the privations which were endured, and the sacrifices which were made by members of the military establishment, in order that the early settlers might be safeguarded and the processes of civilization carried forward. The death of such men was indeed honorable. As an early writer says: "They passed away on a remote frontier, amid a wilderness and under circumstances of pri-

vation and general distress most difficult to describe, and were buried in obscure and lonely graves whose location has long been unknown. But they were American soldiers, and died in the service of their country. And there can be no more glorious death. The possession of this new country demanded sacrifices, and those gallant spirits were the first martyrs to the cause of development and civilization of Minnesota and the Northwest."

Now that the greatest industrial, commercial, and educational centers of the northwest lie within a few minutes ride from the Fort Snelling reservation, that fine old garrison which was the only guardian and guarantee of our civilization in all those early years, should not be neglected in being left without that one institution which ministers to men in the things of morality and the spiritual life.

Cradle of Early Church and Sunday School

VERY early in the history of the post, Mrs. Snelling, wife of Colonel Josiah Snelling who commanded the garrison from 1819 to 1824 and in whose honor it was named, together with Mrs. Nathan Clark another officer's wife, organized and maintained the first Sunday School in the land of the Dakotas of which Minnesota was a part. Thus



THE OLD ROUND TOWER
"The Most Historic Building in the Great Northwest"

the Fort Snelling Sunday School was three or four years in existence before the historic Sunday School organized in the log cabin home of the Ponds on the shore of Lake Harriet.

The first revival of evangelical religion on the soil of Minnesota, likewise, was at Fort Snelling in the year 1834. And, strange to relate, the instrument used of God in this religious awakening was none other than the Commanding Officer at Fort Snelling, Major Gustavus Loomis. The records of those days speak of him as "A soldier as

loyal to his Lord and Master as to his country." In the absence of ordained religious leadership, Major Loomis, who had been a Presbyterian Elder in his home church in the sunny southland, conducted religious services at the garrison and a considerable number of the soldiers of his command embraced Christianity. At just about this same time a group of representatives of the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions (A.B.C.F.M.) arrived at Fort Snelling for work among the Indians, amongst whom were the Reverend Thomas S. Williamson, M.D., D.D., and his young wife. The following year, on June 11, 1835, they organized "The First Presbyterian Church at Saint Peters." This was the first church to be founded in the Northwest, and was organized at old Fort Snelling in the very shadow of the Round Tower and was named for the near-by river, Saint Peters, now the Minnesota River.

Among the first elders of this first church, in addition to Major Gustavus Loomis, Senior Elder, who afterwards became a Brigadier General in the army, was Henry H. Sibley then in charge of a fur trading station across the river at Mendota and who was destined afterwards to become the first governor of the state of Minnesota. Other names among the first communicants, such as Pond, Huggins, Ogden, and Stevens are familiarly and inseparably linked up with the history of those early days, and their descendants are still to be found in and about the twin cities. The First Presbyterian Church of the city of Minneapolis is the direct descendant of that early church, and one of the most impressive ceremonies of their church year is their annual pilgrimage out to the military garrison to celebrate their noble and illustrious beginnings.

Present Facilities for Divine Worship

FOR many years past the only building available for religious services has been an abandoned schoolhouse, a small frame structure of uninviting appearance, both inside and out, and most unfortunately located in close proximity to the rather pretentious Post Guard House. It has a seating capacity of some seventy-five adult persons, and has recently been abandoned as an unsuitable place for divine worship.

For the present all religious services, Catholic and Protestant, are being held at the Enlisted Men's Service Club—a building erected as a rest and recreation house for convalescent patients during the days of the World War, when Fort Snelling was practically made over into a hospital for returned soldiers. This building is comfortable, but inadequate for worship in a thousand ways.

It is a mighty difficult thing to change the furnishings of a room for divine worship on Sunday morning where there has been a dancing party the evening before, to say nothing of the distracting atmosphere of the place. Suppose the Clergymen of the Twin Cities were obliged to go down to the dance halls of their respective communities to hold their religious services every Sunday! Suppose they were obliged to take a few of their faithful ones along to get these places into shape for their Sunday Schools and Lord's Day Services! Suppose they were obliged to conduct their worship without the expenditure of funds for music, printing, and the many little incidentals which make for perfection! Suppose they had no organ, no choir; not even a piano, excepting the one which was tuned to concert pitch for use of the orchestra for dance music.

Reverend Edward F. Casey, from St. Thomas College, St. Paul, is in charge of all Catholic Services at the Fort. In a recent communication to the Commanding Officer, among other admirable things, he says:

"The Club seems to be sufficiently large, but as a place for assisting at Mass it is most unsatisfactory. Despite every effort on the part of the Official Chaplain, and of the

thoughtful, tactful matron in charge, the architecture, the furnishings, the atmosphere of the place, all are out of keeping with the holy sacrifice. The altar during Mass occupies the center of a stage on which, during the week, a dozen different functions must be provided for. A kindergarten school, movies, dances, and variety shows have their turn; and the frail altar must be carted about by strange and unfamiliar hands. The vestments are subject to the casual inspection of the curious; the altar furnishings are without adequate protection. Thus it is that the Catholics of the Fort are looking eagerly forward to the day when they can assist at Mass in an atmosphere free from such a multiplicity of distractions.

Yet they are not content to await idly, while the commandant provides a Post Chapel. They feel that this is a consummation devoutly to be pushed, and accordingly they are giving a hand.—Some of them have recalled the historic fact that the first name selected for the military post established in 1819 was 'Fort Saint Anthony' and they feel that the wonder-worker of Padua may interest himself in helping to provide a fitting place of divine worship for the outpost that once bore his name."

Children Ask for Church

THE residents at Fort Snelling have long been keenly sensitive to the need for a suitable place in which to carry on their Sunday School and the public worship of Almighty God. On the first Sunday of the New Year 1924, the children of the garrison assembled in their Post Sunday School, after studying their lesson for that day, were so profoundly impressed with the story of Abraham building an altar in the wilderness for the worship of the Almighty that they appointed a committee of their own number, all under fifteen (15) years of age, to draft a resolution embodying their prayers for a suitable place in which to study the Sacred Scripture and in which to learn how to pray and worship God. Following is the resolution which they drafted after having spent practically the entire afternoon struggling with suitable words and phrases to express their profound desire:

1. At the regular session of the Fort Snelling Sunday School held at the Service Club this first Sunday of the New Year, we studied for our Bible lesson the story of Abraham, the father of the faithful, building an altar for the worship of God in the chosen land of Israel.

2. This reminds us of the fact that we in this post are without a suitable place for the worship of the Almighty, and, in the name of 1500 soldiers stationed here, and the 150 children of the garrison, we do hereby express our most earnest prayer that a House of Worship may soon be provided for. A resolution to this effect was adopted by the Sunday School this date.

3. We respectfully request that the Commanding Officer seek the assistance of the War Department, and of such civilian organizations and agencies as will, as soon as possible, provide this post with a Chapel.

Signed on behalf of the Fort Snelling Sunday School, by
the Committee appointed to frame this resolution:

(Signed)

ELSIE K. SIMPSON
WILLIAM R. HAZELRIGG
DOROTHY HALLER
KENNETH W. SNODGRASS
AMOS S. WAINER

Committee

It is enough to say that if this earnest prayer and petition of little children is denied, then America is not the Christian nation which we have supposed it to be.

The Question of Civilian Assistance

BUT some one is sure to ask, "Why don't these Army people build themselves a church?" Other communities build churches for themselves, why not Fort Snelling? The person who propounds such a proposition forgets that an Army constituency is made up of individuals who are here today, and, for the convenience of the Government, some where else tomorrow. An Army constituency is continually changing in personnel, and, for that reason they hesitate to take the same sacrificial interest in public buildings as do their civilian brothers, who have a permanent abiding place.

But so insistent has been the desire for a Chapel at Fort Snelling that a start was actually made last year for funds with which to build a Chapel; and the sum of nearly three thousand (\$3,000.00) dollars was realized, while promises of several thousand dollars more in memorial windows were secured. But the very persons who were most active in that enterprise a year ago are now scattered to the four corners of the nation, and away in the islands of the sea. In order to realize sufficient funds for the building of a suitable temple for the worship of God, it would take something like ten or fifteen years of sacrificial effort upon the part of an ever-changing personnel. Where is the church that could pursue a successful building enterprise under such a handicap? It cannot be done by the Army constituency unless they are materially assisted by persistent and united civilian effort.

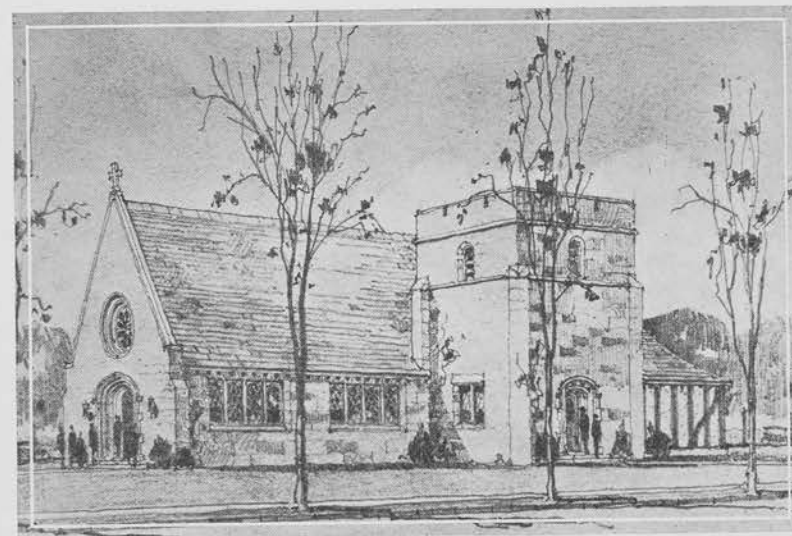
Some one else is sure also to ask, "Why does not the Government build Chapels at its Army stations?" In reply to such a question the writer has but one response, "Ask me something easy." It is rather unfortunate that really so few army posts and stations are provided with adequate buildings and facilities for the proper conduct of public worship. Many stations have no suitable place for divine worship at all, and there are approximately thirty posts and stations which are deprived of Chaplain service altogether, there not being enough members in the Corps to

supply the need. So far as is known only two houses of worship have been built from public funds for use by the Army. One is at West Point and the other at Fort Yellowstone. Many Chapels have been provided through the genius of local garrisons in utilizing surplus materials, soldier labor, and such contributions as were available. In a few cases individual churches have assumed the whole responsibility for little Chapels such as are at Fort Monroe, Virginia; Fort Douglas, Utah; and Fort Apache, Arizona. Not more than half a dozen posts of the entire Army have chapels which could in any sense of the word be considered suitable and adequate. Among these, in addition to West Point, N. Y., already named, are Fort Moultrie, S. C.; Fort Sam Houston, Texas; Fort Riley, Kansas; and Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. No permanent houses of worship have been built since the war, but a number of garrisons have utilized cantonment buildings of one sort or another and surplus materials in providing chapels which will at least serve the purpose for a few years to come. Fort Eustis, Va., and Fort Benning, Ga., are good examples of this.

While recommendations have been made to the War Department by strong religious leaders, urging the construction of suitable places of worship at Army Posts in the future, no definite program has yet been announced. And it is quite possible this matter will be delayed indefinitely, or at least until the physical well-being of troops is provided for. It is not generally known that some regiments are now living under canvas along the Mexican border. Until suitable barracks and quarters are provided for these regiments, it would be folly to urge a policy of chapel construction upon the part of the Government, as ideal as this course would seem. And besides this difficulty of providing for the things which are absolutely essential, there are many powerful influences which are continually urging Congress to cut to the bone on all Army appropriations.

Government Authority Secured for Fort Snelling Chapel

ON March 23d, 1923, a communication was forwarded to The Adjutant General of the Army from the Commanding Officer, Fort Snelling, requesting authority to construct a Post Chapel at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, without expense to the Government. On July 20th, 1923, this communication was approved by the Quartermaster General as follows:



PROPOSED CHAPEL, FORT SNELLING
"As Approved by the War Department"

"The blue print plans submitted showing proposed chapel to be erected at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, have been reviewed by this office and are found to be excellent plans for a well designed and satisfactory chapel, and are approved."

On September 27th, 1923, The Adjutant General of the Army gave his approval as follows:

"Approved with the proviso that the building so constructed shall be Pan-Sectarian in character, and donations thereto not limited to any particular sect or society."

In his basic communication, the Commanding Officer at Fort Snelling, Colonel Bjornstad, made the statement: "A new chapel could be constructed economically for the following reasons:

(a) Cut stone sufficient for the walls of a building ninety feet long and thirty-six feet wide can be obtained without cost on the reservation by salvaging the pillars of an abandoned bridge which once crossed the Mississippi River at this point.

(b) Sufficient red tile can be salvaged to cover roof.

(c) A heating plant is available.

(d) The Catholics will promise to furnish a large stained glass window for the end of the building and an altar suitable for their services. The Protestant Churches will supply the other windows and enough cement for the plaster work.

(e) Members of this post will be glad to volunteer to aid in the work of construction, on their own time."

A memorandum left by Chaplain A. C. Oliver, who, last fall departed for service in the Hawaiian Islands, states that other organizations had made pledges of memorial windows as follows:

"(a) Board of Home Missions, Methodist Episcopal Church, Philadelphia.

(b) Masonic Club, Fort Snelling.

(c) Veterans of Foreign Wars, Fort Snelling.

(d) Fraternal Order of Elks."

A Splendid Start Made

THE residents of Fort Snelling were so confident that permission would be granted to erect this chapel that immediately after its proposal they began to make plans to see the proposition through. About a year ago a group of consecrated young women, for the most part wives of non-commissioned officers, organized the "Enlisted Ladies' Guild" and during the past year they have raised something over \$600.00 for the building fund. Under the able direction of Father Casey, the Catholic members of the garrison have raised something over \$500.00 in monthly collections and other efforts. Something over \$1000.00 was raised by members of the military establishment in a monstrous carnival held less than a year ago.

This is a magnificent beginning, but it is only a beginning. Unfortunately, changes in the Army personnel has taken away from Fort Snelling practically all who were instrumental in starting this enterprise of a year ago. Colonel Bjornstad, Chaplain Oliver, Major Palen, and many others have been transferred to different stations. The uncertainty of any degree of permanency upon the part of others tends to slaken their interest in so costly an undertaking. And yet, the fact remains that Fort Snelling needs a chapel; the residents of the garrison, including officers and enlisted men and the members of their families, are heartily and unanimously in favor of the project.

An Estimate of Cost

IT is doubtful however if this commendable enterprise can be brought to a successful conclusion if the Army personnel is left to accomplish the task unaided. They are scarcely equal to the task of building such a chapel as is needed, without the moral and financial assistance of all sympathetic agencies in the Twin Cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis.

To build upon the selected spot, at the junction of the Main Street and the Ferry Road—the most beautiful site on the reservation—will cost in the neighborhood of \$35,000. The proposed chapel will be 87x26 feet, with a tower 32 feet high. The walls are to be constructed of reddish brown sandstone, and the interior will be of rough stone finish, with open ceiling of rough hewn timbers and red tile roof.

Unless the ministers and laymen of the churches of the Twin Cities and patriotic organizations are aroused to a sympathetic interest in the moral and religious welfare of the men who sojourn for three years at this military station, some more and some less, perhaps another century will have passed into oblivion and we shall still be without a proper place to worship Almighty God. Thus will the reproach of a century be carried forward to an age altogether unworthy of the day in which we find ourselves.

Allegory or Fact, it is all the Same

THE following episode related by Father Casey, illustrates the need at Fort Snelling:

"Where is the Post Chapel, Sir?" The speaker was at the wheel of a large touring car in which sat half a dozen expectant men and women. They were driving through Fort Snelling and had passed directly in front of Headquarters Building to make inquiries of an officer standing on the walk. From the inflection of the man's voice as he said "Post Chapel", one easily inferred that the tourist had in mind some stately edifice in keeping with the general character of the historic military garrison of the Government.

There was the suggestion of a blush on the face of the officer thus addressed. He led the little group around to the backyard of Headquarters, although he would have felt more comfortable just then if he had been leading the charge of the famous "Six Hundred." When they reached the back of the building, the military man, embarrassed but brave, pointed out the little wooden structure on the front of which was a framed board bearing the legend: "Post Chapel." "So! So!" was the stranger's only comment as he glanced at the low, shed-like affair.

The group returned to their touring car without bothering to look inside the Chapel; but one of them was heard to remark: "During the war Uncle Sam appealed to the churches and churchmen a dozen times to assist in keeping up the morale of the soldiers; but in peace time he will not let the soldiers go to church. Why, there are 1500 soldiers on this post and that chapel hasn't room to seat more than seventy-five."

An Appeal

IT is not likely that such a need as exists at Fort Snelling for a place where little children may learn to pray, and where strong young men—the Nation's defenders—may learn to worship God, will go unheeded. And especially is this true when pastors and people realize that in the pioneer days of this great territory, Fort Snelling stood as the only guarantee of safety for the struggling villages where early settlers, fur traders, householders, and farmers were protected from the ravages of savage tribes, who were continually being bribed and abetted by the enemies of our early democracy.

Such a proposition as this should make an irresistible appeal from the missionary motive alone. If it be true that the Church is one of the greatest agencies of Americanization within our Nation, then this also should make the urge and necessity for placing a chapel at Fort Snelling all the more obligatory and compelling. Hundreds of young men, the best in all these states of the middle and north west will soon be coming to Fort Snelling for the Summer Camps. Shall we not avail ourselves of the opportunity of placing before them this great object lesson—the building of a suitable chapel on a government reservation, where the soldiers of the nation may learn to worship God. The citizens of Minneapolis and St. Paul have a thousand times been asked to support a far less worthy and a far less patriotic cause than this. The Army today, in the estimation of many of our best and farthest-seeing citizens, and especially that portion of the Army which is permanently garrisoned at Fort Snelling, is, without doubt, the greatest school of patriotism and citizenship within the entire nation.

It now remains for all right-thinking citizens to come to the assistance of this commendable enterprise. Let us see to it that this old reproach is removed as speedily as possible, and that a decent chapel is constructed, adequate in size, suitable in appointment, and of an architecture befitting the rugged military setting of this noble garrison. It seems impossible that this appeal can fall on deaf ears. "Awake! Let us arise and build."



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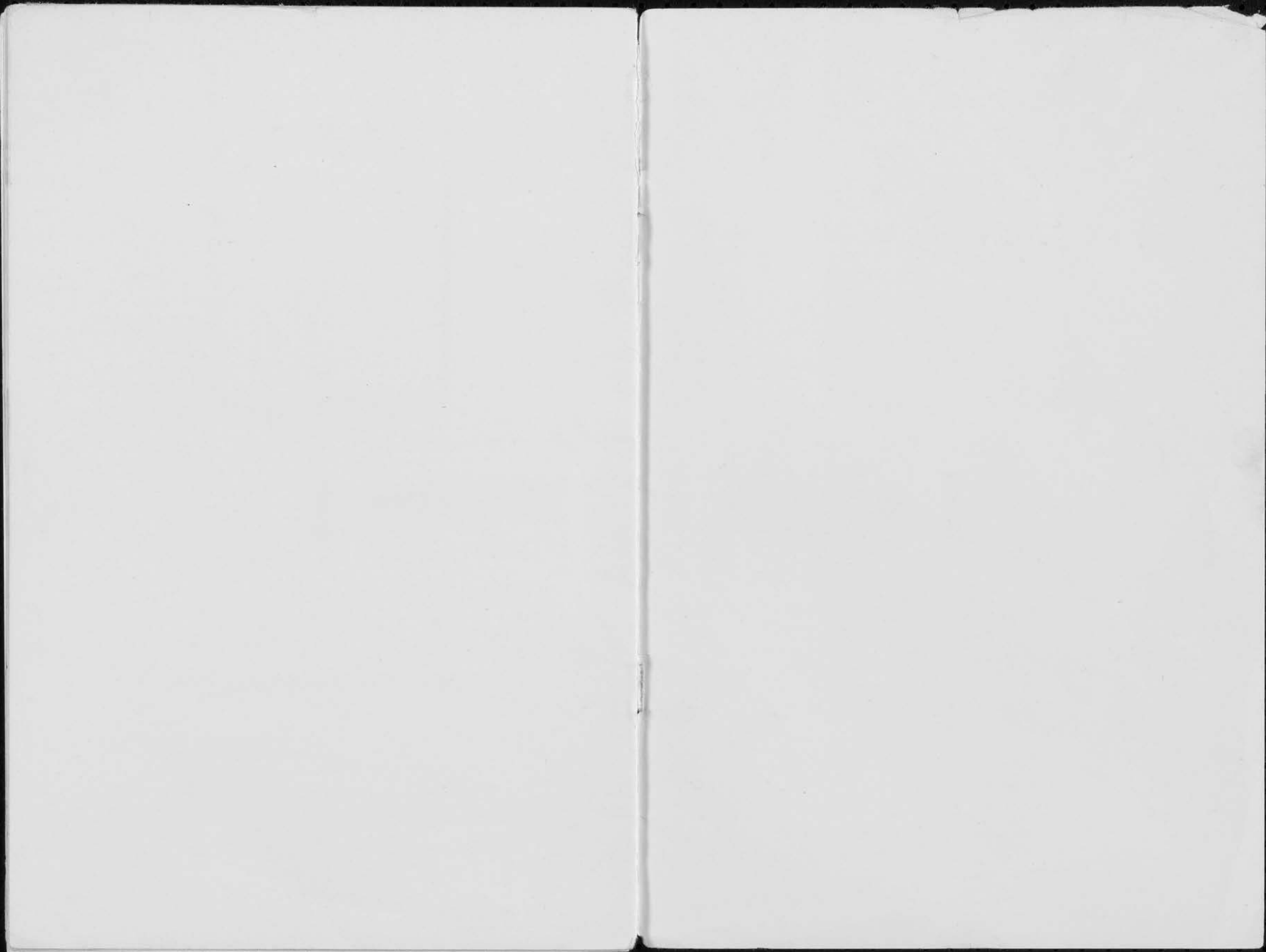
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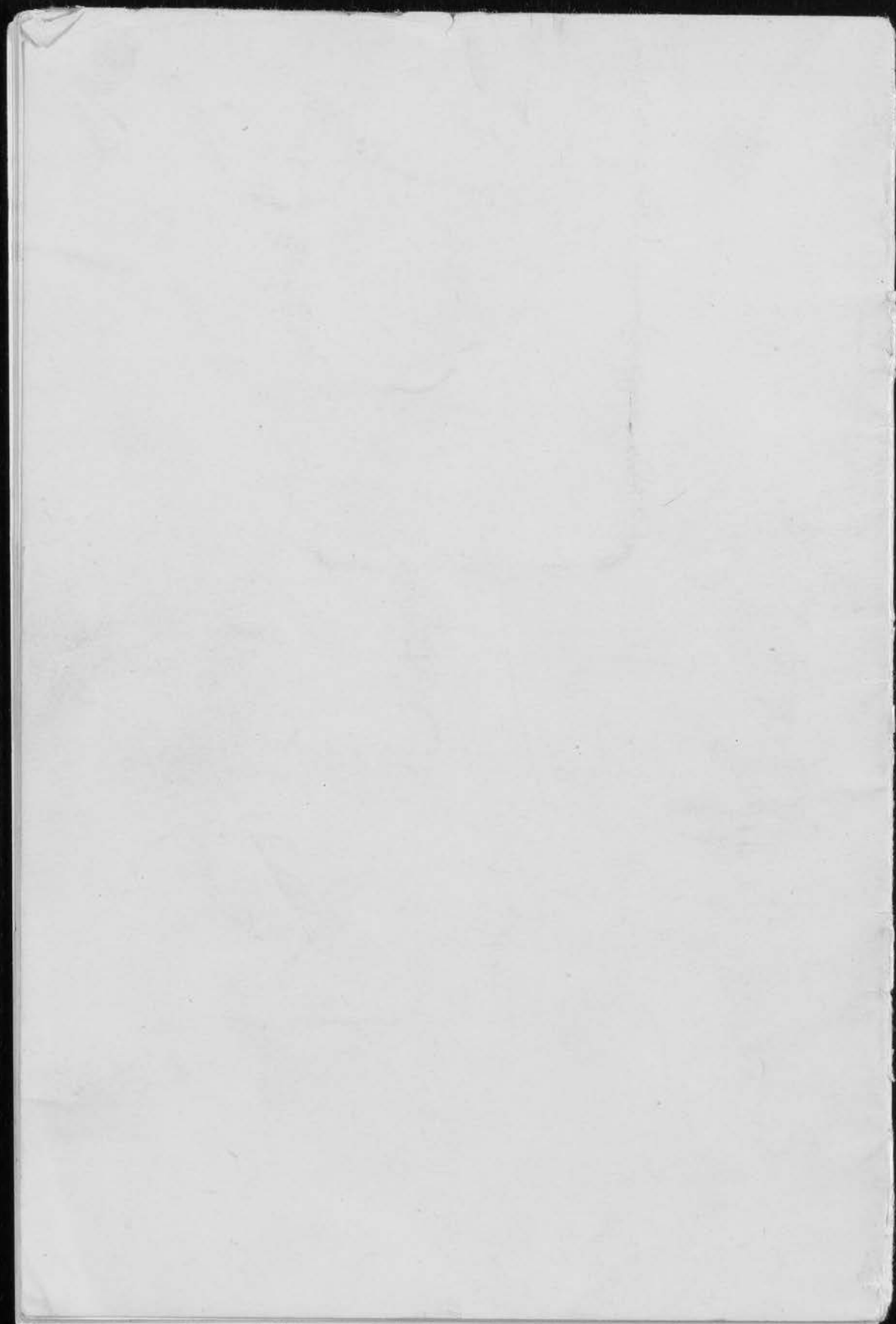
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**Memorial Chapel, Fort Snelling, Minn.
Fifth Anniversary of Dedication**



June 11th 1933

10;30 A.M.

Order of Service

Chapel Chimes 10:15 to 10:30 Mr. Edwards

Organ Prelude (Selected) Mr. Edwards

Processional "Holy, Holy, Holy" Hymn No. 4.
(Congregation Standing)

The Doxology

The Lord's Prayer in Unison.

Choral Response

Responsive Reading, Selection 2, Page 340.

Prayer The Rev. E. H. Rasmussen D. D.
Secretary Minnesota Baptist State Convention.

Announcements-Reading of Communications-Greetings from Guests.

"Building and Use of Memorial Chapel" by Tech-Sgt. Cadwallader Jones

Song by the Sunday School. Mrs. R. R. Danek,
Sunday School Song Director.

Introducing Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies and Cub Pack in brief exercise.

Hymn "Faith of Our Fathers" No. 177

The Ladies Chapel Aid Mrs. T. E. Marcum, President.

Cornet Solo (Selected) Tech-Sgt. Wayne Lovejoy
3rd Infantry Band.

Ladies Trio: Mrs. Carlsten, Mrs. Brasted, Mrs. OBrien. Mr. Edwards
at the organ.

Fort Snelling Men's Brotherhood Activities
1st Sgt. J. Firtko, President.

Male Quartet: Norling, Fonaas, Crowell and Johnson
of the 3rd Infantry Band.

Presentation of Church Attendance Cup to men of the Fort Snelling Quartermaster Corps.

Special vocal selection Mrs. Leland S. Duxbury.

Remarks: "The Place of Worship" Chaplain Brasted.

Benediction, The Rev. Claude E. Ireland

Choral Response National Chaplain Veterans Foreign Wars.

"Lord Let us now Depart in Peace"

Recessional "Lead on O King Eternal" Hymn 133.

Organ Postlude Mr. Edwards.

In the Sunday morning Memorial Chapel percentage attendance, next to the Quartermaster Corps which has an average percentage attendance for the year of about twenty five percent of its enlisted personnel, is the Third Infantry Band. Please note the numbers on our program this morning furnished by men of our Band. The personnel of the Band received a special invitation to attend the service this morning.

The popular evening service is held at 6:30 in the Social Room. The Sunday School in the Sunday School Chapel at 9:30 AM. General service for the CCC at 7:45 in the Camp Service Club.

Catholic services in the Little Flower Chapel at 8:30 and 10:00 AM and for the CCC at 8:30 AM in the Camp Service Club. Jewish services are held in the Cities at the usual hours.

The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel was dedicated the second Sunday of June 1928. On this the second Sunday of June 1933 we celebrate the fifth anniversary of the dedication of this most beautiful place of worship. We assemble today in deepest gratitude for this wonderful gift.

Regarding this Anniversary Program we have received communications of greetings from many, including Brigadier General John H. Hughes, Commanding Fort Snelling; Colonel J. E. Yates, Chief of Chaplains United States Army; ExGovernor Theodore Christiarson; C. M. Dinsmore, Secretary Church Edifice Fund American Baptist Home Mission Society; Dr. John T. Bergen; Major Chaplain Frank C. Rideout, who was the Post Chaplain at Fort Snelling during the building campaign, and Major Chaplain A. C. Oliver.

We are expecting words of greeting this Sunday from Mr. Walter H. Wheeler, Chairman of the Building Committee, Mr. Sumner McKnight, Treasurer, and Dr. Russell H. Heim the Veterans of Foreign Wars Chairman of the Organ Committee; and a representative of the Auxiliary of the American Legion, the organization to whom we are indebted for the chapel chimes. The Daughters of the American Revolution, who rendered great assistance in building this chapel, are represented on our program today by Mrs. Leland S. Duxbury, of Minneapolis.

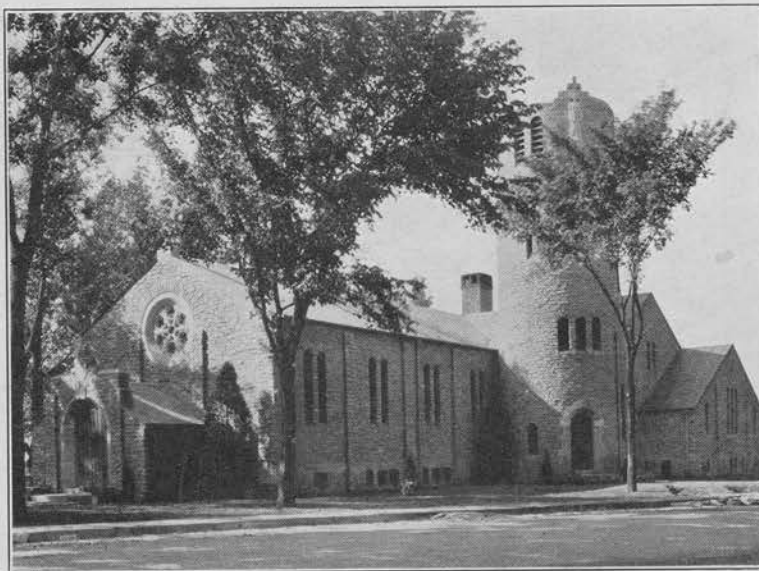
The many tablets in this building and on these grounds reveal the fact that we are indebted to many individuals and organizations for this Memorial Chapel. How we wish that this morning time permitted words of greeting from all the donors, and how we wish we were able to express to all the thankfulness of our hearts.

We wish to express our very great gratitude to Mrs. Theo. OBrien, our Choir Director, and to Mr. William Edwards our organist and to each member of our Fort Snelling Choir for the wonderful help they are giving us. They serve for the love of the cause and not for pay.

The
FORT SNELLING MEMORIAL CHAPEL
and
COMMUNITY CENTER
FORT SNELLING, MINNESOTA



Dedication Services Commencing
SUNDAY, JUNE TENTH
NINETEEN HUNDRED *and* TWENTY-EIGHT



IN MEMORIAM

All that they had they gave—they gave
In sure and single faith;
There can no knowledge reach their grave
To make them grudge their death,
Save only if they understood
That after all was done,
We, the redeemed denied their blood
And mocked the gains it won.

—Rudyard Kipling.

The Chapel—A Description

To those who are familiar with the romantic background of the Fort Snelling garrison, and of Minnesota in general, there is an evidence in the design of the chapel that the architect has admirably succeeded in blending in a most remarkable manner the ruggedness of the Sibley House, Minnesota's first capitol at Mendota; the old Round Tower, Minnesota's oldest land-mark and one of the few remaining parts of old Fort Snelling; and the churchly idea. The Round Tower, with its distinctive architectural beauty, has been slightly modified so as to make a perfect blending; and the chapel is a structure of most exquisite design and practical utility.

The chapel is adequate in size and sufficient for the needs of the garrison for many years to come. The main auditorium will seat approximately 300 persons, and the gallery so conveniently located over the choir and dressing rooms will provide seating capacity for an additional 75

persons. The Sunday School annex makes provision for the giving of religious instruction to the boys and girls of the post, of whom there are now upwards of 200—children of officers and non-commissioned officers on duty here. A five-foot grade provides for a basement which makes ample provision for the holding of patriotic, social and semi-religious gatherings, for the soldier department of the Bible School, and for such activities as Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls. Library facilities and space will also be available here for the eight or nine thousand volumes of books, which for many years have been housed in a temporary Red Cross building—a relic of the World War. The Chaplain's week-day activities will be housed here, and provision will be made for such meetings as are regularly held by ex-service and patriotic organizations connected with the garrison. Social functions of officers' and enlisted men's families will also be held in the chapel community center.

A Distinctive Minnesota Memorial

The chapel is one of the outstanding memorials of the Northwest. Picturesque in location, beautiful in design, and perpetual in usefulness, its rugged masonry will stand through future decades as a noble testimonial to the patriotism, loyalty and moral earnestness of all whose gifts have helped to make it possible. Primarily the chapel will be a house of worship, furnishing a place for religious

rites and ceremonials. But it will be much more than this—it is an unique and distinctive Minnesota memorial, and will become more and more an asset to the state. It will be a shrine of patriotism and of religious effort, with none of the limitations of sectarianism, which will yield returns upon the capital investment incomparably greater than those of any material consideration.



THE ROUND TOWER

Built in 1822

Minnesota's oldest, most romantic and most picturesque landmark. It is symbolic of the nation's strength, purpose, progress, guardianship and hospitality in the early years. The motif of the old Round Tower is retained in the tower of the chapel which rises to a height of 60 feet, three times the height of its worthy predecessor.

VETERANS ASSOCIATION OF THE
THIRD US INFANTRY REGIMENT

"The Old Guard"
1966

KAHNERT, ARNOLD E.
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The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel and Community Center

The Fort Snelling Chapel and Community Center is a triumph of faith. It is the beginning of a new day for religious and social work among the troops of the United States Army; and to the citizens of Minnesota belongs the place of moral leadership in an unique and distinctive undertaking—that of removing the reproach of inadequate facilities for religious activities at an Army Garrison.

The need for an adequate house of worship has been keenly felt during all the years of Fort Snelling's existence, since 1820. In the intervening years, commanding officers and chaplains on duty at this station have repeatedly made mention of this need in correspondence with higher military authorities. During the past quarter of a century, no less than two or three definite attempts were made to make possible the long-cherished dream. At least two sets of plans are still in existence for humble, moderate-priced places of worship. But there have always been difficulties which seemed to be, and were, insurmountable. The average tour of duty of an army officer, like that of the old-time circuit rider, is so short that no officer has ever had the heart to start out upon a project which, in all probability, would be left in an incompleated state, while he moved on.

On March 23rd, 1923, a communication was forwarded to the Adjutant General of the Army from the Commanding Officer, Fort Snelling, requesting authority to construct a Post Chapel at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, "without expense to the government." This, for the very obvious reason that the commanding officer knew that no government funds could be obtained for such a project. On July 20th, 1923, this communication was approved by the Quartermaster General; and on September 17th, 1923, the Adjutant General of the Army gave his approval as follows:

"Approved with the proviso that the building so constructed shall be Pan-Sectarian in character, and donations thereto not limited to any particular sect or society."

Before this authority had been obtained, both the Commanding Officer and the Chaplain on duty at Fort Snelling had received orders for change of station in distant garrisons. But, in the meantime, the officers, enlisted men, women and children of the garrison, had succeeded in the raising of a fund totaling about \$2,500.00, in order that their cherished dream might come true.

During the years 1923-1925, a quiet but persistent and effective program of publicity was given to the need for a chapel, as had been desired by the residents of the garrison, and resolutions were adopted by ecclesiastical, patriotic and service club organizations, asking that the people of the Twin Cities and of the state support the movement. During the fall and winter of 1925-26, committees were organized, "The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel and Community Center Association" was incorporated in accord-

ance with the laws of the state of Minnesota, and a campaign for funds inaugurated which brought the total amount of available funds up to nearly \$50,000.00.

Prior to the campaign for funds, the architects of the state had instituted a competition among themselves for plans for a chapel which would meet the needs of the garrison. Twenty-two of the leading architects of the state of Minnesota participated in this competition. These plans were carefully studied by a jury which, in making its ultimate decision, took the four following points into consideration: (1) efficiency of plan; (2) probability of economical construction; (3) adaptability to site; and (4) expression of the special character imposed by local conditions and historic background.

A ceremonial for breaking of sod was held on the afternoon of Sunday, September 5, 1926, at which representatives of the Army, ex-service men, patriotic and church organizations were present. The soldiers of the garrison made excavations and laid the concrete footings for the chapel during the following weeks.

On June 28, 1927, the Board of Directors voted to start building operations and instructed the Building Committee to proceed with the erection of a usable building, "omitting such items as are not immediately necessary and keeping within the amount of money actually on hand." Contracts were signed on July 19, 1927, and construction started the following week. On Sunday, August 21, 1927, work had sufficiently been started for the ceremonial for the laying of the cornerstone. Some four or five thousand persons attended this service, including soldiers of the garrison and nearly 2,000 students in attendance at the Citizens' Military Training Camp.

A copper box receptacle was placed within the large cornerstone, inside of which were placed the following:

A history of the chapel project; a history of Fort Snelling; lists of the various military organizations and commanding officers who have served at Fort Snelling; a roster of the members of the garrison and of the citizens' military training camp, 1927; roster of all patients at the Fort Snelling Veterans' Hospital; copies of all manuscripts and pamphlets concerning the chapel project; a list of all contributors; newspaper articles on the chapel; editorial and news sections of papers of current date.

As work progressed upon the chapel through the fall and winter months of 1927-1928, additional funds and memorial gifts became available, so that there was scarcely no interruption, and we have been able to complete the building in the satisfactory manner in which it now appears—a structure in which all Minnesota citizens may take just pride.

The total cost, counting donated materials and soldier labor and exclusive of memorial gifts, is approximately One Hundred Thousand Dollars.

"The Lord Is in His Holy Temple, Let All the World Keep Silence Before Him."

THE FIRST MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, June 10, 1928—10:30 o'Clock

SUNDAY SCHOOL IN JUNIOR CHAPEL AT 9:30 O'CLOCK

Silent Individual Prayer Before Worship

O God, make me worthy to enter the courts of Thy Holy sanctuary this blessed Sabbath day; may the glory of Thy presence be very real to me, and to all who in the years to come may worship here. Make me conscious of my need of Thee, and forbid that this or any service before this altar may be marred in any particular by my indifference or unbelief. Make this sanctuary a Bethel, a House of God, the very Gate of Heaven to all the pure in heart; and help me to be humble, sincere, reverent and Christ-like in all things, through the merits of Him whom we all love to call Our Saviour. Amen.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE—(Piano) Selected Batiste

THE DOXOLOGY—(Congregation Standing) Bourgeois

THE INVOCATION and the LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)

THE CALL TO WORSHIP—(Congregation Standing)

CHAPLAIN: "I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth."

CONGREGATION: "O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together."

CHAPLAIN: "O give thanks unto the Lord; call upon His holy name; make known His deeds among the people."

CHAPLAIN AND CONGREGATION: "For He is good, and His mercy is everlasting. Talk ye of all His wondrous works. Glory ye in His holy name. Praise ye the Lord."

GLORIA PATRI Greatorex

THE APOSTLES' CREED (In Unison)

HYMN NO. 177—"Faith of Our Fathers" Hemy-Walton

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING—Selection No. 1

THE CHAPEL CHOIR—"I Will Magnify Thee, O God" Spence

THE READING OF THE SCRIPTURES

THE INTERCESSORY PRAYER—Choral Response—By CHAPLAIN FRANK C. RIDEOUT, United States Army

THE OFFERTORY—(Piano)—Selected

BARITONE SOLO—Selected—By MAJOR LEIGH C. FAIRBANK, D. C., United States Army

THE CHAPEL CHOIR—"How Firm a Foundation" Sheldon

HYMN NO. 133—"Lead On, O King Eternal" Smart

THE SERMON—By COLONEL EDMUND P. EASTERBROOK, Chief of Chaplains, Washington, D. C.

THE CHAPEL CHOIR—"The Lord Is My Rock" Rogers

HYMN NO. 142—"O Master, Let Me Wilk With Thee" Smith

THE BENEDICTION—(Congregation Standing)

THE RECESSIONAL—(Piano)—"Antienne" Batiste

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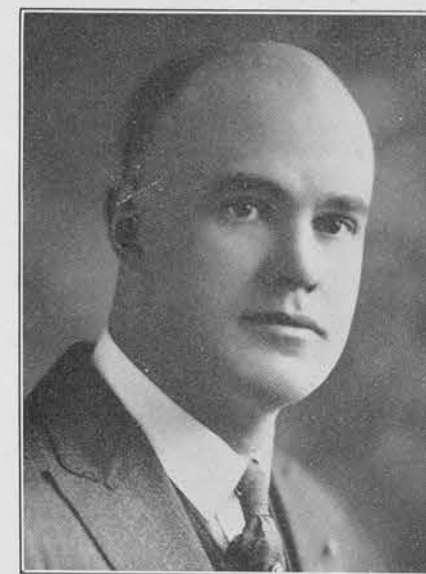


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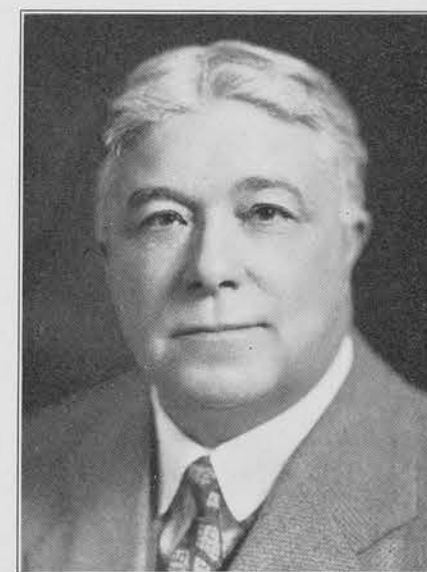
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DEDICATION SERVICE

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE TENTH
NINETEEN HUNDRED and TWENTY-EIGHT

Three o'clock



Order of Service

REV. PHILLIPS ENDICOTT OSGOOD, D.D., Major, Chaplain Reserve, United States Army, Presiding

CHURCH CALL—(From the Chapel Tower)—THIRD INFANTRY TRUMPETERS

MILITARY FORMATION OF FORT SNELLING TROOPS

THIRD U. S. INFANTRY MARCH (Band) Carl Dillon

CHOIR NUMBER—"And the Glory of the Lord"
By the Park Avenue Congregational Vested Choir, Minneapolis
MR. SYDNEY H. MORSE, Director Handel's Messiah

INVOCATION—REV. EARLE V. PIERCE, D.D., Minneapolis

HYMN—"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies" (Leaflet) Ward

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES—REV. JAMES W. BEAN, St. Paul

RESPONSE

How amiable are Thy tabernacles, O Lord of Hosts.
My soul longeth, yea, fainteth for the courts of the Lord.
My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.
For a day in thy courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of
my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.
I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.
Our feet shall stand within thy gates, O Jerusalem.
Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together.
Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord, unto the testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto
the name of the Lord.
For there are set thrones of judgment, the thrones of the house of David.
Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee.
Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity within thy palaces.
For my brethren and companions' sake, I will now say, Peace be within thee.
Because of the house of the Lord our God I will seek thy good.

GLORIA PATRI Greatorox

ADDRESS—THE HONORABLE THEODORE CHRISTIANSON, Governor of Minnesota

TURNING OVER THE KEYS—MR. WALTER H. WHEELER, Chairman Building Committee

ACCEPTANCE OF KEYS—COLONEL WM. E. WELSH, Commanding Officer, Fort Snelling

GREETINGS—MAJOR GENERAL HARRY A. SMITH, 7th Corps Area Commander, Omaha, Nebraska

BARITONE SOLO—(Selected)—MAJOR LEIGH C. FAIRBANK, D.C., United States Army, St. Louis, Mo.

GREETINGS—COLONEL EDMUND P. EASTERBROOK, Chief of Chaplains, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C.

HYMN—"The Church's One Foundation" (Leaflet) Stone

ADDRESS—"The Chapel—An Interpretation"—CHAPLAIN FRANK C. RIDEOUT, United States Army

PROCESSIONAL INTO CHAPEL—3rd Infantry Color Guard, Guest Choir, Clergy, Army Officials and
Members of Chapel Association, Various Committees, Soldiers and Citizens to Capacity of Building.
(Band will play "Onward, Christian Soldiers" during processional)

CHOIR NUMBER—"Praise the Lord" Smart
By GUEST CHOIR

FORMAL DEDICATION AND PRAYER—CHAPLAIN FRANK C. RIDEOUT, United States Army
(Congregation Standing)

CHAPLAIN: Recognizing our indebtedness to the Almighty, by Whose grace we have been
enabled to complete this house of worship, to be used for the glory of God and the coming
of His Kingdom on earth, we now stand in His holy presence to dedicate it to Him.

To the glory of God, our Father, from Whom cometh every good and perfect gift;
To the honor of Jesus Christ, our only Lord and Master;
To the praise of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.

PEOPLE: We dedicate this Chapel and all its appointments of worship and service.

CHAPLAIN: For the ministry of the Word, that through wise and earnest preaching the gracious
purpose of God may become known to men, the truth of God make men free from folly
and error, and people be brought to know Him, Whom to know is life eternal.

PEOPLE: We dedicate this Chapel.

CHAPLAIN: For the holy rite of baptism; for the observance of the Lord's Supper according to
the command to keep in memory the broken Body and shed Blood of our Saviour till He
come; for solemnizing the sacred rite of marriage; for the burial of the dead, and for all of the
sacred offices of the church.

PEOPLE: We dedicate this Chapel.

CHAPLAIN: For the sanctification of the home and family, and the blessing of all pure and holy
love; for the instruction and training of children and youth in sacred things; for the building
of character; for the teaching of morality, self-control and justice.

PEOPLE: We dedicate this Chapel.

CHAPLAIN: For a place of quietness and prayer, where, by song and psalm Thy children may
freely worship Thee, the sinful find the Great Saviour, the tempted the Great Helper, the
mourner the Great Comforter, the weary the Eternal Bosom, and the confused Perfect
Understanding.

PEOPLE: We dedicate this Chapel.

CHAPLAIN: For the fostering of lofty patriotism; for unswerving insistence upon the sovereign
will of God in civic affairs; for the promotion of social righteousness; for the declaration of
constant warfare against all forms of wrong doing.

PEOPLE: We dedicate this Chapel.

CHAPLAIN: In humble gratitude to all who have loved and served the church; with hearts made
tender by the mercy of those who have joined the church triumphant; as a glad and willing
offering of thanksgiving and praise.

PEOPLE: We dedicate this Chapel.

CHAPLAIN AND PEOPLE: Now, therefore, we the people of this commonwealth and of the Army of
the United States in the presence of Almighty God, grateful for our priceless inheritance,
and sensible of the sacrifice of our fathers who wrought for us, we offer this house to Thee
in humble sacrifice, and to dedicate ourselves anew to the worship of God in this place, and
to the honourable service of God, and country, and our fellow men in the spirit of Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.

CHOIR NUMBER—"The Heavens are Telling" Hayes
By GUEST CHOIR

DOXOLOGY Bourgeois

BENEDICTION—REV. PHILLIPS E. OSGOOD, D.D., Chap. Res., Minneapolis.

RECESSIONAL—"The Stars and Stripes Forever" Sousa
THIRD INFANTRY BAND

- Informal Inspection of Chapel
- Concert—Third Infantry Band, Carl Dillon, Bandmaster
- Vistors Register in Front Vestibule

Sunday Evening, June Tenth

Seven-forty-five o'clock

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICE

Sponsored by the Luther League as a Young People's Service

Chaplain N. M. Ylvisaker, Presiding

CHURCH CALL (From Chapel Tower)—THIRD INFANTRY TRUMPETERS
OPENING CHORUS—GUEST CHOIR
CALL TO WORSHIP—CHAPLAIN FRANK C. RIDEOUT, United States Army
INVOCATION
HYMN NO. 115—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee" Mason
SCRIPTURE READING AND PRAYER
CHOIR NUMBER—GUEST CHOIR
ROLL CALL—Young People's Groups Responding, CHAPLAIN FRANK C. RIDEOUT
HYMN NO. 176—"The Church's One Foundation" Wesley
ADDRESS—REV. N. M. YLVISAKER, Captain-Chaplain, Res., Minneapolis
GREETINGS—COLONEL EDMUND P. EASTERBROOK, Chief of Chaplains, Washington, D. C.
CHOIR NUMBER—GUEST CHOIR
GREETING—REV. L. R. S. FERGUSON (Representing Reserve Chaplains), Lt.-Col.-Chap., Res., St. Paul.
HYMN NO. 158—"America" Carey
BENEDICTION—CHAPLAIN YLVISAKER

Monday Evening, June Eleventh

Seven-forty-five o'clock

SERVICES CONDUCTED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AND AUXILIARY

Third Infantry Band Concert

Open Air at 7:15 P. M.

DEPARTMENT VICE COMMANDER H. N. ROGERS, PRESIDING

CHURCH CALL—THIRD INFANTRY TRUMPETERS
PROCESSIONAL—From Parade Ground in Front of Chapel into Building
SELECTION—By HENNEPIN COUNTY AUXILIARY GLEE CLUB
INVOCATION—By FATHER NORMOYLE, Department Chaplain
GLORIA PATRI Greaterex
HYMN—"Faith of Our Fathers" Hemy and Walton
SCRIPTURE READING—Psalm 27—By REV. M. D. HAFFERMAN, Past Commander and Chaplain
PRAYER—By FATHER NORMOYLE, Department Chaplain
SELECTION—By HENNEPIN COUNTY AUXILIARY QUARTETTE
WORDS OF WELCOME—COLONEL W. E. WELSH, Commanding Officer, Fort Snelling
RESPONSE—VICE COMMANDER ROGERS
HYMN—"O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"
ADDRESS—By MRS. JOHN ZRUST, Chairman, Memorial Committee, American Legion Auxiliary
SELECTION—By HENNEPIN COUNTY AUXILIARY GLEE CLUB
ADDRESS
HYMN—"America"
BENEDICTION—By REV. M. D. HAFFERMAN, Past Commander and Chaplain

Tuesday Evening, June Twelfth

Eight o'clock

SERVICES CONDUCTED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF VARIOUS WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

CHURCH CALL—THIRD INFANTRY TRUMPETER
PROCESSIONAL—"Onward Christian Soldiers"—Congregation
Third Infantry Color Guard
Participating Clergymen and Speakers
Guests of Honor—Minnesota Amputation Post V. F. W.
DOXOLOGY—Congregation Standing
INVOCATION—CHAPLAIN RIDEOUT
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG—Congregation led by members of Amputation Post, V. F. W.
HYMN—"America"
READING OF SCRIPTURES AND PRAYER—COLONEL E. P. EASTERBROOK, Chief of Chaplains, Washington, D. C.
ANTHEM—GUEST CHOIR
WORDS OF WELCOME—COLONEL W. E. WELSH, Commanding Officer, Fort Snelling
ANTHEM—GUEST CHOIR
ADDRESS
ADDRESS—"A Shrine of Patriotism"—REV. F. M. ELIOT, Pastor Unity Church, St. Paul
HYMN—"America the Beautiful"
BENEDICTION—CHAPLAIN RIDEOUT

Music furnished by St. Mark's Choir, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Minneapolis, Stanley R. Avery, Director

PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS

Daughters of American Revolution; Daughters of the Revolution; Women's Relief Corps; Minnesota Chapter Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America; Daughters of Union Veterans; Masonic Women of St. Paul; Fanny Padgham Circle, O. E. S.; Ella Sturgis Pennington Auxiliary, Army & Navy Union No. 21; Auxiliary No. 8, Sons of Union Veterans of Civil War; W. C. T. U.; Women's Overseas League; G. A. R. Ladies; Women of the Episcopal Diocese of Minnesota.

Boy Scouts of America from Minneapolis and St. Paul, Ushers.

The Fort Snelling Chapel and Community Center

An Unique Undertaking

The Fort Snelling Memorial Chapel and Community Center is unique for the following reasons:

1. Because it is the first Army house of worship ever erected by subscriptions obtained from all classes of citizens of a community adjacent to an Army garrison.
2. It is the first combination of the Church and Parish House idea ever devised for an Army Post.
3. It is the first Army place of worship where an attempt has been made by the architects to write the early pioneer history of the surrounding community into the architecture of a Chapel building.
4. It is the first strictly pan-sectarian Chapel ever erected at an Army garrison. Denominational agencies have sponsored Chapels for a few other Army posts, and even that has not happened during the past 50 or 60 years.
5. It is the beginning of a movement which, without doubt, will be nation wide within a very short time. Already some 20 Chaplains at other posts have secured literature, historical data and all available information concerning our plans, our financial campaigns, etc. State officials of practically all the leading patriotic and ex-service organizations are working on a plan to submit resolutions to their national bodies asking that steps be taken to wipe out the reproach of inadequate facilities and equipment for the moral and religious welfare of the

120,000 young men of our Army. While millions of American money is annually poured out for foreign missions, this large section of the youth of our land is without proper facilities for public worship.

6. The Chapel is unique in its relation to the civilian community. It is located in the geographical center of the park system of the Twin Cities. It is available as a shrine for rest, religious meditation and patriotic devotion for the people of the Twin Cities and for the many tourists from more distant parts of the country. For several years past the churches of the Twin Cities have manifested a keen and sympathetic interest in the religious work of the Chaplains at Fort Snelling. On many occasions they have brought large choirs and have assisted in memorable out-of-doors religious services during the period of the Summer Camps. Now, with the Chapel building a reality, this possibility may be greatly extended. Indeed, back of the original idea for a Chapel there was more than the dream of a beautiful building—there was also the dream of the use to which such a building might be put when secured. It is our hope that the new Chapel be put to such use, particularly on Sunday afternoons in providing musical programs, organ recitals, and non-sectarian services, as will render the largest possible good to the greatest possible number of persons. Thus will all the dream back of the original Chapel idea come true.

Chaplains Who Have Served at Fort Snelling, Minnesota

EZEKIL G. GEAR (Episcopalian)	Post Chaplain 1838-1858. Pioneer resident clergyman of Minnesota. Having been granted permission to extend his ministerial labors beyond the garrison, he established congregations and organized churches at various points outside of the Post, including St. Paul and Minneapolis. A painful accident suffered en route to Minnesota from Illinois left him a life-long cripple. He wrote early in his ministry: "I shall embrace every opportunity of preaching the gospel." This was the motto of his long and useful life.
CIVIL WAR PERIOD	No record of Chaplain service at Fort Snelling is available for the period of the Civil War.
JOHN WOART (Episcopalian)	Casualty at post from August 19, 1873, to November 15, 1873.
GEORGE G. MULLINS (Disciples of Christ)	Chaplain 25th Infantry, October 15, 1885, to May, 1886.
JOHN F. DOLPHIN (Catholic)	Chaplain 3rd Infantry, May 10, 1883, to January 24, 1891.
PATRICK J. HART (Catholic)	Post Chaplain March 3, 1893. Left post for Tampa, Florida, May 17, 1898 (Spanish-American War). Returned to post October 31, 1898. Left post January 30, 1899, returned to post October 1, 1900. Assigned to 8th Infantry. Left post with 8th Infantry for the Philippines, March 8, 1901.
LESLIE R. GROAVES (Presbyterian)	Chaplain 14th Infantry. Arrived at post August 30, 1901. Left post June 16, 1902.
JAMES OSSEWAWARDE (Dutch Reformed)	Chaplain 21st Infantry. Arrived at post June 21, 1902. Left post August, 1904.
JOHN E. DALLAM (Protestant Episcopal)	Chaplain 12th Infantry. Arrived at post August 24, 1904. Left post November 24, 1904.
STANLEY C. RAMSDEN (Baptist)	Chaplain 28th Infantry. Arrived at post January 8, 1909. Left post March 9, 1911, for San Antonio, Texas. Returned to post November 10, 1911. Left post for Galveston, Texas, February 11, 1913.
CHARLES O. PURDY (Disciples of Christ)	Chaplain 36th Infantry. Post Chaplain, 1917-1918.
FRANCIS C. RENIER (Catholic)	Chaplain 40th Infantry, 1917.
EDWARD T. McNALLY (Catholic)	Chaplain 41st Infantry, 1917.
LEE ROY S. FERGUSON (Episcopalian)	Chaplain 1st Minnesota Infantry, 1917.
WILLIAM J. HARRINGTON (Catholic)	Chaplain 1st Minnesota Field Artillery, 1917.
ELMER A. HUSSETT (Lutheran)	1919 Duty at General Hospital.
BERTRAM W. MAXWELL (Presbyterian)	1919 Duty at General Hospital.
ALBERT A. VIAU (Catholic)	1919 Duty at General Hospital.
BERNARD H. WESSLINGS (Catholic)	1919 Duty at General Hospital.
CLIFFORD L. MILLER (Universalist)	Post Chaplain, 1920.
ELMER A. HUSSETT (Lutheran)	Attached to post October 6, 1920. Left post October 20, 1920.
ALFRED C. OLIVER (Methodist)	Post Chaplain. Arrived November 29, 1920. Assigned to 3rd Infantry August, 1921. Left post October, 1923, for Hawaiian Territory.
FRANK C. RIDEOUT (Baptist)	Post Chaplain. Arrived for temporary duty at Summer Training Camps, June 15, 1923. Permanent duty September 1, 1923, to present date as Post Chaplain.

In addition to the above named Chaplains of the Regular Army, many clergymen of various denominations of the Chaplains' Reserve Corps have served on temporary duty during past years in connection with the Summer Training Camp.

Special Memorial Gifts

PIPE ORGAN

The Minnesota Department Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary are raising a fund of \$12,500.00 for the installation of a memorial pipe organ to be dedicated to the memory of all Minnesota soldiers who made the supreme sacrifice in foreign lands while fighting under the Stars and Stripes. It is hoped that the memorial organ will be installed sometime during the summer.

TOWER CHIMES

The Auxiliary of the American Legion of Minnesota is raising a fund of \$4,000.00 for the installation of Degan Tower Chimes. The committee having this in charge report encouraging responses from all over the State and first payment has already been made. The Auxiliary also made a generous donation to the edifice fund.

ALTAR AND REREDOS

The Misses Grace and Beatrice Longfellow, Minneapolis, have placed the Altar and Reredos as a memorial to their father, Mr. Levi Longfellow, Minnesota citizen and soldier, who enlisted at Fort Snelling for service in the Civil War, at the age of 16 years. The hand carving on this and other special pieces of furniture was done by Alain Lang, of the American Seating Co. Mr. Lang is a nephew of Anton Lang, who plays the part of The Christ in the famous Obergammergau Passion Play.

LECTERN AND BIBLE

Installed by the Captain John Holmes Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, Minneapolis.

ALTAR COMMUNION RAILING

Installed by the General James Knapp Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, Minneapolis.

THE PULPIT

Installed by the Minnesota Society Sons of the American Revolution. The carved continental soldier in base relief on pulpit, makes this a unique and beautiful piece of furniture.

BISHOP WHIPPLE MEMORIAL WINDOW

Placed in the Chapel by members of the Episcopal Church in memory of the Rt. Rev. Henry Benjamin Whipple, D.D., first Bishop of Minnesota, representing the Confirmations of Indians converted from savagery to Christianity. Bishop Whipple was known as "The Apostle to the Indians," and had great influence with these people.

CHANCEL WINDOW

Installed by Mrs. Charles A. Wheaton of St. Paul, as a memorial to her father, Jacob Henry Stewart, M.D., Surgeon, First Regiment of Minnesota Infantry, U. S. Volunteers, Civil War.

CHAPEL DOORS

The beautiful doors, both front and tower entrance, were made possible by the Minnesota Department of the Woman's Relief Corps. They also made a substantial donation to the edifice fund.

HYMNAL BOARDS and CHANCEL FRONT

Installed by the Minneapolis Lions Club.

LIGHTING SYSTEM and TABLET

For Chapel, Sunday School Rooms and Exterior. Installed by the Minnesota Chapter Daughters of the Revolution. The tablet is placed in honor of Chaplain Frank C. Rideout.

ILLUMINATED CROSS and CHANCEL LIGHTS

Installed by the Masonic Women, St. Paul. Memorial for all deceased Minnesota soldiers.

WINGED STONE FIGURE IN TOWER

Made possible by Mrs. E. A. Webb of St. Paul, who also made substantial donation to edifice fund. This figure represents the Knight Errant of good deeds. He may be a soldier, or symbol of peace, a crusader, a reformer, or a statesman. His reversed sword indicates that he is in the attitude of veneration for his departed comrades. His stern but kindly face is that of a man of firm resolve, stalwart determination and fixed character.

PEWS, BODY OF CHAPEL

One-half of the pews of main auditorium donated by the Minnesota Department of the American Legion. Three pews donated by Hamilton Fish Camp No. 7, United Spanish War Veterans, and Auxiliary. One pew donated by Ella Sturgis Pennington Auxiliary No. 21.

PEWS, CHANCEL

Donated by the Women of the Episcopal Diocese of Minnesota in memory of Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear.

TABLET, ITALIAN MARBLE

Installed as a memorial to the Rev. Ezekiel G. Gear, Chaplain, U. S. Army. First Chaplain to serve at Fort Snelling, 1838-1858. By Mr. Charles Mason Remey, Washington, D. C. (Tablet not yet received from Italy.)

COAT OF ARMS CARVING

Over Front Entrance. Design suggesting the American Flag indicating national character of chapel as attached to the military branch of the Government. The crossed tomahawks indicate the reminiscence of menacing dangers of the frontier and the protection afforded by the military garrison. This design was made possible by Mrs. Howard M. Curry, St. Paul, as a memorial to her father, William Wallace Clark.

BAPTISMAL FONT

Donated by the Erren Monument Company, St. Paul, as a memorial to Elizabeth R. Snelling, first white child born in Minnesota.

SUNDAY SCHOOL EQUIPMENT

Partly donated by the various Sunday Schools of the Twin Cities. Piano donated by Mrs. H. N. Lyon, St. Paul.

Special Memorial Gifts

AMERICAN FLAG AND STAFF	Donated by the Fanny Padgham Circle, Order Eastern Star.
CHRISTIAN FLAG	Donated by the Minnesota Chapter of the National Society of Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America.
KITCHEN EQUIPMENT	Electric range donated by Mrs. F. H. Chapman, Minneapolis. Dishes and other equipment provided by the ladies of the Chapel Aid Society of Fort Snelling.
LANDSCAPING, PLANTS AND SHRUBBERY	The landscaping of the chapel grounds was done by Mr. John H. Bergen, Major Infantry-Reserve, Minneapolis. Donations of plants and shrubbery were made by the Minneapolis and St. Paul Park Boards, the Hoyt Nursery, Holm and Olson, and Rose Hill Nursery of St. Paul, and by the Holtzermanns Co. of Minneapolis.
MRS. M. A. BRONSON: AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT	Through the efforts of Mrs. Bronson, sponsored by Samuel Huntington Chapter, D. A. R., the sum of nearly \$300.00 was raised in the town of Brainerd.
TOTAL MEMORIAL GIFTS, \$25,000.00	The total value of all memorial gifts is approximately \$25,000.00.

Special Denominational Gifts

METHODIST EPISCOPAL, with headquarters in Philadelphia, Pa.	\$250.00
UNIVERSALISTS, with headquarters in Boston, Mass.	1,000.00
NORWEGIAN LUTHERAN, with headquarters in Minneapolis, Minn.	2,000.00
AMERICAN BAPTIST HOME MISSION SOCIETY, with headquarters in New York, N. Y.	2,000.00
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, with headquarters in New York, N. Y.	1,000.00

Grateful acknowledgment is made of special offerings which were given by the following churches:

Unity Church, Saint John the Evangelist Episcopal, First Baptist, First Methodist Episcopal, Temple Aaron Jewish Congregation, Mount Zion Hebrew Congregation, all of Saint Paul; and the Fourth Church of Christ Scientist, Minneapolis.

APPRECIATION

1. MR. WALTER H. WHEELER. Many men and women have given money for this memorial, but he has given himself. As chairman of the Building Committee, he has given unstintedly of time, energy and of painstaking effort. Our task would have been a very difficult one without his valuable assistance. He has responded to our numerous calls with cheerfulness and promptness. Such service as he has rendered can only be paid for in the genuine appreciation of a grateful people. Inasmuch as we cannot find words to adequately express that appreciation, we merely say: "Thank you, Mr. Wheeler."

2. TO ALL CONTRIBUTORS. Whether gifts have been large or small, to patriotic organizations, service and fellowship clubs, churches, business institutions, banking houses, and all not especially mentioned elsewhere; to Messrs. Hewitt & Brown, Inc., architects, Minneapolis, and Splady & Haagensohn, builders; and to the donors of special memorials, we express our grateful appreciation.

3. TO OFFICERS, ENLISTED MEN, AND LADIES of the garrison who have made generous contributions of money, labor and effort extending over a period of five years, and who may all feel that our noblest aspirations and loftiest ideals are now builded into this temple of worship, we express our most sincere gratitude, and extend to all our hearty congratulations upon the realization of what for more than a hundred years has been a cherished dream.

Signed:

W. E. Welch

Commanding Officer, Fort Snelling,
President of Chapel Association.



COAT OF ARMS, 3RD U. S. INFANTRY

"The Old Guard of the Army"—General Winfield Scott

Fort Snelling is the home station of this fine old regiment—the oldest in the U. S. Army. The coat of arms has been placed in the round west window of the Chapel over the gallery. Its beautiful coloring makes it one of the distinctive features of structure.



When we build, let us think that we build forever. Let it not be for present delight nor for present use alone. Let it be such work as our descendants will thank us for, and let us think, as we lay stone on stone, that a time is to come when those stones will be held sacred because our hands have touched them, and that men will say as they look upon the labor and wrought substance of them: "See! This our Fathers did for us".

John Ruskin

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