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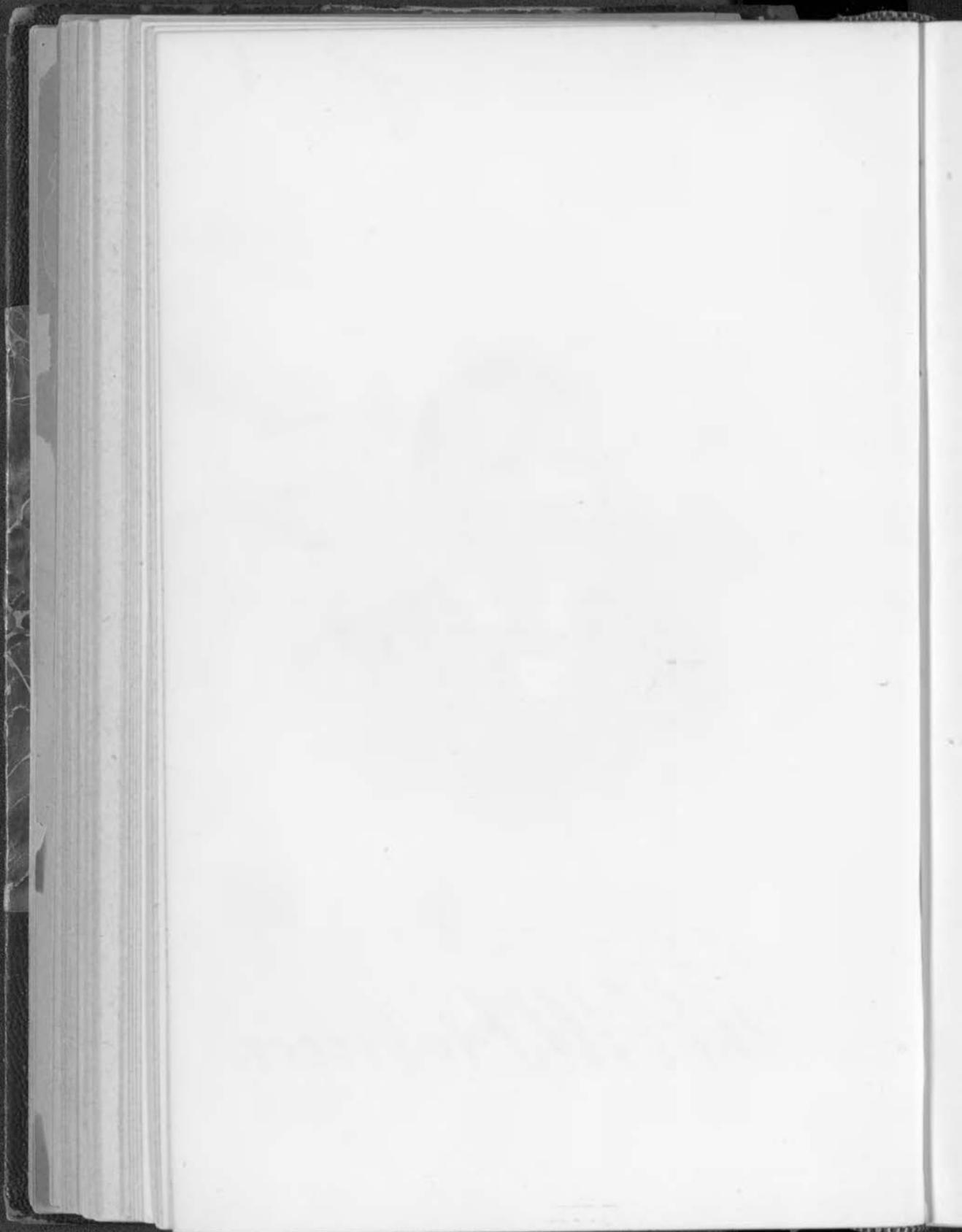
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MORNING SESSION—First Day.

The Ninth Annual Encampment, Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, opened in due form at Puyallup, Washington, at 11 a. m., Wednesday, April 22, at the Puyallup Opera House, Commander M. M. Holmes presiding.

On call of the officers the following Department officers were found present and in their proper places:

COMMANDER M. M. HOLMES, Stevens Post No. 1.  
SENIOR VICE COMMANDER A. J. SMITH, E. M. Baker Post No. 33.  
JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER DAVID STAMP, Ellsworth Post No. 2.  
MEDICAL DIRECTOR H. C. BOSTWICK, Custer Post No. 6.  
CHAPLAIN J. F. SINCLAIR, Lieutenant Cushing Post No. 56.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

H. F. GARRETSON, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma.  
J. D. HOYT, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.  
THAD. HUSTON, Sheridan Post No. 44, Tacoma.

OFFICIAL STAFF.

J. P. CRAWFORD, Stevens Post No. 1, A. A. G.  
L. A. TREEN, Stevens Post No. 1, A. Q. M. Gen'l.  
C. M. BARTON, Sheridan Post No. 44, Inspector.  
W. R. DUNBAR, Baker Post No. 20, Judge Advocate.

E. M. BLOOMER, J. L. Reno Post No. 47, Chief Mustering Officer.  
J. S. WATSON, J. L. Reno Post No. 47, Senior Aide-de-Camp.

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

F. W. SPARLING, Miller Post No. 31.  
A. M. BROOKES, Miller Post No. 31.  
CHARLES M. HOLTON, Meade Post No. 9.  
S. G. COSGROVE, McDowell Post No. 22.

ABSENT.

A. P. CURRY and F. T. GILBERT of the Council of Administration,  
and J. W. SPRAGUE, Past Department Commander.

The Commander announced the following Committee  
on Credentials:

S. G. COSGROVE, McDowell Post No. 22, Pomeroy.  
J. D. GEOGHEGAN, Ellsworth Post No. 2, Vancouver.  
R. G. DILL, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

The Committee was instructed to report at 2 P. M.,  
to which hour a recess was taken.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Encampment convened at 2 P. M., according to ad-  
journment.

The Committee on Credentials reported the follow-  
ing as entitled to seats in the Encampment:

ROLL OF NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

(Those marked with a \* were present.)

COMMANDER M. M. HOLMES\*  
SENIOR VICE COMMANDER A. J. SMITH.\*  
JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER DAVID STAMP.\*  
MEDICAL DIRECTOR H. C. BOSTWICK.\*  
CHAPLAIN J. F. SINCLAIR.\*

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

H. F. GARRETSON,\* J. P. HOYT,\* A. P. CURRY, F. T. GIL-  
BERT, THAD. HUSTON\*

OFFICIAL STAFF.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL J. P. CRAWFORD,\*  
ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL L. A. TREEN,\*  
INSPECTOR C. M. BARTON,\*

JUDGE ADVOCATE W. R. DUNBAR,\*  
CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER E. M. BLOOMER,\*

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

F. W. SPARLING,\* A. M. BROOKES,\* CHARLES M. HOLTON,\*  
A. P. CURRY, J. W. SPRAGUE, S. G. COSGROVE.\*

## ROLL OF REPRESENTATIVES.

STEVENS POST, NO. 1, SEATTLE.

Post Commander, S. F. STREET.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

Geo. W. Tibbetts,\*  
W. H. White,  
H. A. Bigelow,\*  
I. H. Griswold,\*  
A. P. Spaulding,\*  
O. B. Johnson,\*  
M. M. Holmes,\*  
James Alexander,\*  
W. E. Wilson,\*  
S. F. Street.\*

*Representatives.*

P. P. Carroll,\*  
Roswell Scott,\*  
I. J. Lichtenberg,\*  
A. F. Haynes,\*  
W. G. Hubbard,\*  
R. G. Dill,\*  
W. M. Hilton,\*  
O. C. McGray,\*  
H. F. Phillips,\*  
Daniel Warner,\*  
John Convrey,\*  
T. M. Young,\*  
S. G. Benedict,\*  
M. V. Mills.\*

ELLSWORTH POST, No. 2, VANCOUVER.

Post Commander, O. F. JOHNSON.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

J. D. Geoghegan,\*  
N. F. Bolton.  
David Stamp,\*  
D. B. Baker.\*

*Representatives.*

T. M. Anderson,\*  
Wm. Smiley.\*

ALFRED SULLY POST, No. 3, DAYTON.

Post Commaader, W. C. BISHOP.

*Past Post Commanders.*

D. C. Guernsey,  
H. H. Wolfe,  
John W. Holman,  
Jas. H. Gough,  
A. J. Dexter.

*Representatives.*

D. B. Kimball,  
A. H. Kribs,\*

ABRAHAM LINCOLN POST No. 4, WALLA WALLA.

Post Commander, S. M. WHITE.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

F. T. Gilbert,  
W. C. Ellsworth,\*  
J. Peiper,  
W. H. Carnes,\*

*Representatives.*

G. R. Crowe,  
O. N. Wheeler,\*  
J. Davidson.\*

W. Lind,  
J. F. McLean,\*  
J. H. Paul.

GEORGE H. THOMAS POST No. 5. OLYMPIA.

Post Commander, WM. H. ROBERTS.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

T. I. McKenny,  
J. R. Hayden,\*  
N. H. Owings,  
W. McMicken,  
J. W. Bomer,\*  
A. D. Rogers,\*  
R. G. O'Brien,\*  
A. B. Cowles.\*

*Representatives.*

E. McReynolds,  
R. A. McNair,\*  
Geo. B. Hartman.\*

CUSTER POST No. 6, TACOMA.

Post Commander, L. B. STRAYER.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

S. F. Sahn,\*  
C. T. Patterson,\*  
T. Carroll,\*  
J. W. Sprague,  
D. G. Lovell,\*  
James Barlow,\*  
P. Foster.\*

*Representatives.*

John Conna,\*  
G. H. Boardman,\*  
M. Stewart,\*  
J. Holgate,\*  
T. Mattison,\*  
T. Higgins,\*  
A. A. Knight,\*  
S. M. Kennedy,\*  
W. Robinson,\*  
C. C. Wing,\*  
D. Dowden,\*  
M. Tobias,\*  
W. C. Merrett.\*

PHIL. KEARNEY POST No. 7. TOLEDO.

Post Commander, JOSEPH LAMPITT.

*Past Post Commanders.*

T. B. Mitchell,  
E. P. McClure,  
R. L. Calvin,  
C. Wilcox.\*

*Representative.*

D. W. McDaniels.\*

SEDGWICK POST No. 8, SPOKANE FALLS.

Post Commander, E. P. GALBRAITH.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

E. J. Webster,  
R. W. Forrest,  
L. H. Prather,  
E. R. Childs,  
A. P. Curry.

*Representatives.*

J. M. Comstock,\*  
R. B. Scott,\*  
Frank Johnson,\*  
C. B. Dunning,\*  
J. E. Gandy.\*

Charles R. Conner,\*  
M. D. Smith.

## MEADE POST, No. 9, NORTH YAKIMA.

Post Commander, R. SCOTT.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

J. T. Kingsbury,\*  
J. K. Ward,\*  
R. Dunn,\*  
J. G. Boyle,\*  
M. N. Adams.

*Representatives.*

H. L. Tucker,\*  
W. Badger.\*

## MORTON POST No. 10, SNOHOMISH.

Post Commander, H. G. YORK.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

I. N. Mudgett,  
D. F. Sexton,  
G. C. Ruff.

*Representative.*

M. W. Packard.\*

## JAMES PARSONS POST No. 11, ELLENSBURGH.

Post Commander, S. T. STERLING.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

J. L. Brown,\*  
J. A. Shoudy,  
T. G. McDowell,\*  
D. Kinkade.

*Representatives.*

J. E. McDowell,\*  
Daniel Coble.\*

## McPHERSON POST No. 12, KALAMA.

Post Commander, W. D. CLOSE.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

Elijah Wingert,\*  
J. H. Hockett.

*Representative.*

L. G. Allen.\*

## GARFIELD POST No. 13, MONTESANO.

Post Commander, G. W. STINSON.\*

*Past Post Commanders.*

T. D. Scofield,  
Wm. Peel,\*  
A. K. Bush,  
H. M. Sutton.

*Representative.*

Geo. W. Boyington.\*

## PHILO BUCKMAN POST, No. 14, SPRAGUE.

Post Commander, E. G. PENDLETON.

*Past Post Commanders.*

W. W. Hollingsworth.

*Representatives.*

Geo. Murphy,  
Asa Van Allen.

## FARRAGUT POST, No. 15, PORT TOWNSEND.

Post Commander, E. ROSE.\*

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
D. P. Trimble,	J. C. Heath,
Oliver Wood,*	Geo. H. Brown.
D. M. Littlefield.*	

JOHN A. LOGAN POST, No. 16, GARFIELD.

Post Commander, WM. DALLAS.\*

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
J. N. Dicas,	W. Westacott.
J. A. Dix,	
J. L. Dutton.	

L. C. LADD POST, No. 17, PUYALLUP.

Post Commander. A. CLARK.\*

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
John Beverly,*	C. W. Stewart,*
J. R. Moore,*	C. C. Field.*
J. M. McClintock,*	
E. N. Little,*	
A. S. Farquharson.*	

LARRABEE POST No. 18, LA CONNOR.

Post Commander, J. L. WALLACE.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representative.</i>
J. F. Dwelley,*	O. C. Currier.*
R. H. Ball.*	

NATH. LYON POST No. 19, COLFAX.

Post Commander, THOMAS E. ROSS.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representative.</i>
W. A. Inman,	J. H. Billups.*
Thos. Lommasson.	

BAKER POST No. 20, GOLDENDALE.

Post Commander, F. B. STINSON.

<i>Past Post Commanders</i>	<i>Representative.</i>
Sol. Smith,	W. R. Dunbar.*
E. B. Wise.*	

MCDOWELL POST No. 22, POMEROY.

Post Commander, THOMAS RYAN.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
S. G. Cosgrove,*	Daniel Tetrick,
H. C. Thompson,*	James Polmer,*
H. E. Farnsworth,	Lewis McHone.
S. K. Hull,	
Chas. Lakin.	

GENERAL GEORGE WRIGHT POST No. 23, CHENEY.

Post Commander, W. K. GRIFFITH.

<i>Past Post Commander.</i>	<i>Representative.</i>
J. A. Harris.	S. G. Grubb.

J. B. STEADMAN POST No. 24, WHATCOM.  
Post Commander, H. B. WILLIAMS.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
Joseph Wolf, A. S. Cole*	G. D. LeSourd, John Broyles.*

JOE HOOKER POST No. 25, CHEHALIS.  
Post Commander, A. H. BROWN.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representative.</i>
R. N. Ashmore,* H. P. Hurn,* J. T. Berry, W. H. Mossman.	John A. Taylor.

MAJOR ANDERSON POST, No. 29, PALOUSE CITY.  
Post Commander, M. T. MERRILL.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
I. I. Hughes, Robert Bruce, J. C. Poe, Art. Colburn,	No list furnished.

J. F. MILLER POST, No. 31, SEATTLE.  
Post Commander, J. W. LANGLEY.\*

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
Geo. W. Bullene, D. L. McCowen, A. M. Brookes,* Richard Osborn,* W. G. Latimer,* W. M. Morse, G. N. Alexander.*	Richard Bradley, L. S. Willard, L. W. Carpenter,* W. S. Harlan,* G. W. Furry,* B. F. Thacker.*

REYNOLDS POST, No. 32, BLAINE.  
Post Commander, J. F. WARD.

<i>Past Post Commander.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
S. P. Hughes, J. N. Lindsey, I. M. Scott, O. D. McDonald.*	Samuel Wade, C. C. Smith.

E. M. BAKER POST, No. 33, WALLA WALLA.  
Post Commander, WM. H. EMBREE.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
A. J. Smith,*	Enoch Boyle.

H. O. Simonds,  
C. C. Garrett.

LINDSEY POST, No. 34, PINE CITY.

Post Commander, J. W. RICHARDSON.

*Past Post Commanders.* *Representative.*

John Stwain. John Bates.

D. A. RUSSELL POST No. 35, MT. VERNON.

Post Commander, S. C. WASHBURN.

*Past Post Commanders.* *Representatives.*

C. D. Kimball, R. W. Williams,  
Jasper Gates, Wiltse Brown.\*  
D. F. Decatur.

W. H. SEWARD POST No. 36, JUNEAU, ALASKA.

Post Commander, W. B. HOYT.

*Past Post Commanders.* *Representative.*

J. C. Howard. David Flannery.

J. J. LEWIS POST No. 37, ASSOTIN.

Post Commander, I. S. WALDRIP.

*Past Post Commanders.* *Representatives.*

D. T. Welch, No list furnished.  
H. E. Benedict.

FRANK P. BLAIR POST No. 38, SPANGLE.

Post Commander, H. F. PARKER.

*Past Post Commanders.* *Representative.*

Wm. Spangle, James Carroll.  
Joseph Lucas.

R. L. MCCOOK POST No. 39, SHERMAN.

Post Commander, W. H. MCQUARIE.

*Past Post Commander.* *Representative.*

J. E. Williams. H. F. Warren.

BURNSIDE POST No. 40, WAITSBURG.

Post Commander, EDWARD CORNWELL.

*Past Post Commanders.* *Representative.*

D. G. Ingraham, D. N. Smith.  
H. C. Shuham,  
A. W. Phillips.

J. B. WYMAN POST No. 41, ROCKFORD.

Post Commander, R. SCRNOVER.

*Past Post Commanders.* *Representative.*

M. Hill.

LYNCH POST, No. 42, LYNDEN.

Post Commander, JOE PYM.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
W. I. Baker, Joe Pym.	W. J. Goode.

HANCOCK POST, No. 43, COSMOPOLIS.

Post Commander, M. M. RUHL.\*

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
O. A. Myers, S. W. Smith,* F. R. Wright.	John O. Wilson, R. G. Brown.*

P. H. SHERIDAN POST, No. 44, TACOMA.

Post Commander, GEORGE HASKINS.\*

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
Fred. T. Taylor,* Thad. Huston,* J. J. Lemon.*	Wm. F. Taylor,* C. W. Isham,* O. H. Harlan.*

H. A. MILES POST, No. 45, WATERVERVILLE.

Post Commander, H. C. KEELER.

<i>Past Post Commander.</i>	<i>Representative.</i>
Wm. Domrese.	W. F. Allender.

W. B. HAZEN POST No. 46, RITZVILLE.

Post Commander, J. C. ADAMS.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representative.</i>
W. O. Hatch, G. S. Gritman.	J. G. Galbraith.*

J. L. RENO POST, No. 47, SPOKANE.

Post Commander, E. M. BLOOMER.\*

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representatives.</i>
E. B. Dean, J. S. Watson.*	W. H. Wiscomb,* D. K. Oliver,* H. C. Draper,* E. S. P. Bolton,* W. Henry Smith, F. P. Weymouth.

PACIFIC POST No. 48, PORT ANGELES.

Post Commander, C. M. ARMBRUST.\*

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representative.</i>
L. D. Stewart, P. W. Gallup.*	D. P. Quinn.*

KIT CARSON POST, No. 49: KELSO.

Post Commander, A. M. BARNETT.

<i>Past Post Commanders.</i>	<i>Representative.</i>
P. J. Knapp,* O. Hinson.	J. W. Moon.

## T. P. PRICE POST, No. 50, CENTRALIA.

Post Commander, HENRY SHIELDS.

*Past Post Commanders.**Representatives.*

M. D. Wood,\*

E. Gifford,\*

N. S. Buckner.\*

D. R. French.\*

## GROVER POST, No. 51, SLAUGHTER.

Post Commander, R. TIPPIE.\*

*Past Post Commander.**Representatives.*

Daniel Winter.\*

Geo. Hart,\*

V. R. Bissell,\*

## WASHINGTON POST, No. 52, HOQUIAM.

Post Commander, GEO. W. FRANCE.

*Past Post Commander.**Representatives.*

J. T. Burns,\*

O. G. Chase,

B. S. Philbrick,\*

## WHITMAN POST, No. 53, PULLMAN.

Post Commander, M. F. TAYLOR.

*Past Post Commanders.**Representative.*

R. Lanning,

C. S. Mason.

David Garrett.\*

## C. M. REED POST No. 54, ORTING.

Post Commander, H. S. LILLAGER.\*

*Past Post Commanders.**Representative.*

L. C. Tallman.\*

T. O. Hanlan.\*

## T. T. MINOR POST No. 55, WINLOCK.

Post Commander, G. SWEANEY.

*Past Post Commander.**Representative.*

B. F. Brown.

D. Smith.

## LIEUTENANT CUSHING POST No. 56.

Post Commander, J. F. SINCLAIR.\*

*Past Post Commander.**Representative.*

A. W. Hight.

## SICKLES POST No. 57, CHAUTAUQUA.

Post Commander, G. H. FULLER.\*

*Past Post Commander.**Representative.*

Sumner Jacobs.\*

## KELLOGG POST No. 58, FERNDALE.

Post Commander, Z. H. ROBINS.

*Past Post Commander.**Representative.*

C. M. Brown.

J. W. Wells.

## APPERSON POST No. 59, FAIRHAVEN.

Post Commander, D. L. HOPKINS.\*

*Past Post Commander.**Representatives.*

W. L. Visscher.\*

J. C. Vanderford.\*

L. W. Nestelle.\*

## BENTLEY POST No. 60, CRESCENT.

Post Commander, S. HAMILTON.

*Past Post Commander.**Representative.*

J. Q. Reynolds.

Jerry Rockhold.

## ANDREWS POST, No. 61, OAKSDALE.

Post Commander, L. GILSTRAP.

*Past Post Commander.**Representative.*

J. C. Burns.

W. W. Largent.

## MILROY POST, No. 62, LATAH.

Post Commander, W. R. RAMSAY.

*Past Post Commander.**Representative.*

B. F. Coplen.

A. A. Stevens.\*

## CROOK POST, No. 63, ABERDEEN.

Post Commander, FRED. NYE.\*

*Past Post Commander.**Representative.*

A. D. Wood.\*

## WALLACE POST, No. 64, SPRINGDALE.

Post Commander, M. P. SHAFFER.

## W. T. SHERMAN POST, No. 65, MEDICAL LAKE.

Post Commander, J. L. KLINE.

## ADMIRAL PORTER POST, No. 66, FERRY.

Post Commander, ARTHUR BRIDGES.

## B. F. STEPHENSON POST, No. 67, SUMAS.

Post Commander, JOHN E. RISEDORPH.

*Representative.*

H. H. Swasey.\*

## GENERAL EMORY POST, No. 68, ANACORTES,

Post Commander, JOHN J. SEE.

The report was adopted.

The Senior Vice Commander A. J. Smith being called to the chair, the Commander submitted his annual address as follows,

## COMMANDER HOLMES' ADDRESS.

COMRADES:

It is now more than thirty years since the signal gun, heard around the world, fired at Sumpter's walls, sent an electric thrill through the land and aroused a fierce spirit of war among a peaceful people. This gun heralded a conflict, one of the most gigantic

and fiercely waged in human history. It was not merely a combat between brave men who fought for glory or even for native land. It was a struggle, inevitable sooner or later, between two civilizations whose prototypes were in the Mayflower and the slave ship. From Pennsylvania to Texas, from Missouri to Florida, on more than two thousand battlefields and on many an ocean wave, the contest waged. And when at last human liberty, equal rights and National unity prevailed, the victors were the greatest conquerors of the ages, and to the vanquished the defeat has really proven a victory. They enjoy all the privileges of our government and all the rights they had before except the right to live upon the unrequited toil of their fellow men. No restrictions have been imposed which free men ought not to endure nor submission asked which free men ought not to give. While we extend the right hand of fellowship to those who opposed us in the field, still the principles that prevailed at Appomattox must be maintained.

Official duties of a public nature, which could not well be avoided without detriment to the public service, prevented me from making visits to the various posts until the early part of February. Since that time I have visited over two-thirds of the posts, and personally met a large proportion of the membership. I found them generally in a prosperous condition, and carrying out in practice the noble principles of our order. The membership of some of the smaller posts is widely scattered, making it difficult to keep up the organization in proper form. In most of these cases, however, the interest is increasing, and the purpose manifested to keep the posts alive. All the larger posts are doing well, with excellent prospects for the future. The large influx of population to this State includes many veterans, and there is a field for a large increase for many years.

I have everywhere been received with the utmost cordiality and the most genuine comradeship. It was only lack of time that prevented me from visiting all the posts in the State.

#### REPORTS.

I commend to your consideration the reports of the Assistant Adjutant-General, the Assistant Quartermaster-General, the Medical Director, the Inspector, the Judge Advocate, and Chief Mustering Officer, herewith submitted. Every post has been inspected and every Post Adjutant and Post Quartermaster has reported. The last National Encampment adopted a system of semi-annual reports, due July 1 and January 1. However, in order to make a full report to this Encampment, I requested the Adjutant and Quartermaster of each post to make a return April 1, and every one complied, for which my thanks are hereby tendered.

## MEMBERSHIP.

The report of the Assistant Adjutant General made at the Eighth Annual Encampment showed forty-nine posts in good standing and 1,897 members, on the 31st of March, 1890. This did not include Post 24 which was suspended for non-payment of dues, but reinstated during the Encampment, with forty-three members, nor Lieutenant Cushing Post No. 56 which was mustered April 26, 1890, with twenty charter members. Since the Eighth Encampment, Posts 57 to 68 inclusive have been mustered with 182 charter members as shown by the report of the Chief Mustering Officer. In February, 1891, O. M. Mitchell Post No. 30, of La Camas, fifteen members, surrendered its charter.

According to the report of the Assistant Adjutant General there are sixty-three posts in good standing and 2,686 members. This is a net increase of fourteen Posts and 789 members over the last report. Fifty-one posts have made a gain of 865 members and twelve posts have lost seventy-six members, making a net gain of 789 members as above—a gain of over forty-one per cent.

## FINANCE.

A complete synopsis of the financial condition of the Department is shown in the report of the Assistant Quartermaster-General, herewith submitted. All old accounts, both in favor of, or against the Department, have been adjusted and settled. These include \$121.60 received from Past Department Commander Holton's administration, and \$60 due the same, and also \$173.85, paid the Quartermaster-General on supply account, which had been in dispute for several years. The current expenses include \$513 for the Department roster, which will not have to be incurred the coming year. A larger amount than heretofore has been spent in printing orders and circulars, and in postage, but I consider the same well spent. The only indebtedness of the Department consists in \$88.20 for supplies, the invoice of which has not been received, and \$130 balance allowed the Department Commander for traveling expenses.

## MUSTERED OUT.

The death roll the past year includes many illustrious names. William Tecumseh Sherman, the great strategist of the war, and David D. Porter, the great naval hero, have gone to their rest. Charles Devens, Past Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army, and Geo. D. Hill and Henry A. Morrow, the first and second Commanders elected in this Department, have also joined the great majority. Thirty-two comrades of the Department have died. Their names appear in the report of the Assistant Adjutant-General.

## LEGISLATION.

The state of Washington has taken advanced ground in the interest of those who fought to save the Union. In the Soldiers' Relief Act, the Soldiers' Home, the Act forbidding officers to charge fees in pension cases, and the law to prohibit the unauthorized wearing of Grand Army badges, the state has evinced a patriotic purpose to recognize the services of the veteran soldier. When the recent pension legislation is supplemented by the service pension bill, recommended by the last three National Encampments, the measure of our demand in this direction will be filled.

## THE SOLDIERS' HOME.

The state has appropriated \$45,000 for the maintenance of a Soldiers' Home. A site near Orting has been selected and the building will be ready for occupancy about July 1st.

The following have offered to furnish a room in the Home:

Mrs. Jennie S. Holmes, of Seattle.

Mr. A. M. Brookes, of Seattle.

A. Lincoln Relief Corps No. 4, of Walla Walla.

Stevens Relief Corps No. 1, of Seattle.

Custer Relief Corps, No. 2, of Tacoma.

## SILVER ANNIVERSARY.

In accordance with the orders of the Commander-in-chief, the sixth of April was celebrated by nearly every Post in the Department, in commemoration of the organization of the first post of the Grand Army of the Republic, at Decatur, Ill., on April 6, 1866. I sent a circular relating to the same to every member of the Department, and have received a report of the meetings from nearly every post. The preparations for the event were in many places quite elaborate, and the exercises in all cases appropriate and impressive. It was an object-lesson in patriotism, only equaled by the sacred services of Memorial Day.

## DEPARTMENT BADGE.

At the last Encampment Comrades O. B. Johnson, W. A. Inman, and E. P. Galbraith were requested to design a Department Badge. The Comrades selected a salmon, on the side of which is the word "Chinook," and hanging pendant a little hatchet, on the handle of which is the word "Washington." A ribbon is also attached to the salmon, to represent the Department color, red (cherry). This design was approved by the Council of Administration, and 300 badges made in Boston. They may be procured of the Assistant Quartermaster-General.

## WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

More than half of the posts in this Department are now blessed with this noble auxiliary. In nearly every instance their aid

has been invaluable. While I have not the figures before me, I am convinced that the Relief Corps has contributed more money for charity, and made more visits to the sick, and relieved more of the destitute, than has the Grand Army itself.

As we looked to our mothers, wives, sisters or sweethearts during the dark days of war for the sympathy and encouragement which made us men in time of danger, so now we turn to the loyal women of our land for blessings still. By their willing aid and cheerful co-operation post halls have been brightened, the membership strengthened, and the organization ennobled. All hail to the Woman's Relief Corps.

#### SONS OF VETERANS.

The storms and sunshine of twenty-six years have successively come and gone since the ranks from which the Grand Army can be recruited were closed forever. The silver anniversary of the organization of the order has already been celebrated with becoming ceremony. The struggles and the privations of half a century have whitened the locks and impaired the energy of the majority of our comrades, and the summit of our lives is nearly reached.

As we go marching, with ceaseless tramp, but ever lessening tread, down the slope toward the great hereafter, there comes up on the other side, with sturdy stride and ever quickening paces, the Sons of Veterans, to take the place we have filled. They sing the songs we sang, and carry the same flag under whose starry folds we fought. As we come off guard and take up our line of march to the eternal camping grounds, we shall be more content if the picket line is still manned and the uniform is blue.

The Sons of Veterans are the great reserves of the Grand Army of the Republic. They have already become of great assistance to our order, and are destined to exert a powerful influence in behalf of loyalty long after the Grand Army shall have passed away. Let us salute them as we pass by.

#### CONCLUSION.

To the officers of the Department and my official staff I return my most sincere thanks for services rendered. To the representatives of the Department who conferred on me the high honor of Commander my profound acknowledgments are due. The kindness of comrades throughout the Department has made the labor one of love, and I can only wish for my successor the same cordial greeting and the same earnest assistance that I have received.

Comrade Street, of Stevens Post No. 1, moved that the report be referred to a committee of five.

The motion was adopted, and the following comrades were named as such committee:

S. F. Street, Stevens Post No. 1; T. C. Anderson, Ellsworth Post No. 2; W. H. Wiscomb, J. L. Reno Post No. 47; G. W. Stinson, Garfield Post No. 13; O. B. Johnson, Stevens Post No. 1.

The Commander having resumed the chair the Assistant Adjutant General submitted his annual report as follows:

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.  
SEATTLE, April 22, 1891.

*M. M. Holmes, Department Commander.*

COMRADE—I have the honor to submit the following report of the membership, progress and condition for the year just closed.

The following table gives the strength of each post and the gains in membership between March 31, 1890, and March 31, 1891, together with Posts No. 67 and 68, mustered April 10th and 11th, 1891, respectively.

## MEMBERSHIP.

Posts.	Number	Mch. 31, 1890	June 30 1890	Sept. 30 1890	Dec. 31 1890	Mch. 31, 1890	Gain	Loss
Stevens	1	225	259	271	300	311	86	
Ellsworth	2	33	35	40	43	49	16	
A. Sully	3	44	49	49	56	59	15	
A. Lincoln	4	71	71	70	62	63		
Geo. H. Thomas	5	30	60	65	70	73		8
Custer	6	235	250	254	275	298	43	
Phil Kearney	7	22	24	24	24	19	63	
Sedgwick	8	86	87	93	97	101	15	3
Meade	9	31	39	40	40	41	10	
Morton	10	26	25	18	21	27	1	
Jas. Parsons	11	49	49	46	48	56	7	
McPherson	12	16	16	16	15	19	3	
Garfield	13	18	26	26	26	28	10	
Philo Buckman	14	43	48	52	54	54	11	
Farragut	15	42	39	32	32	32		10
J. A. Logan	16	19	20	23	23	23	4	
L. C. Ladd	17	29	37	40	42	52	23	
Larrabee	18	25	26	28	28	28	2	
N. Lyon	19	32	29	34	41	41	9	
Baker	20	22	21	23	24	25	3	
McDowell	22	50	52	55	55	57	7	
Geo. Wright	23	25	25	25	25	25		
J. B. Steadman	24		43	40	44	53	53	
Joe Hooker	25	29	33	28	30	30	1	
Maj. Anderson	29	32	30	34	36	33	1	
O. M. Mitchell	30	14	15	15	15			15
J. F. Miller	31	48	52	77	99	122	74	
Reynolds	32	23	28	13	34	24	1	
E. M. Baker	33	40	33	23	26	25		15
Lindsey	34	13	13	13	13	12		1
D. A. Russell	35	30	33	36	37	40	10	
W. H. Seward	36	14	14	14	15	16	2	
J. J. Lewis	37	23	25	25	25	26	3	
F. P. Blair	38	24	24	22	23	23		1
R. L. McCook	39	21	23	24	26	26	5	
Burnside	40	17	16	16	16	16		1
J. B. Wyman	41	28	28	28	28	13		15
Lynch	42	28	20	20	31	30	2	
W. S. Hancock	43	23	28	29	20	21		2
P. H. Sheridan	44	53	64	70	77	79	26	

## MEMBERSHIP—CONTINUED.

<i>Posts.</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Mch 31, 1890</i>	<i>June 30, 1890</i>	<i>Sept. 30 1890</i>	<i>Dec. 31, 1890</i>	<i>Mch. 31, 1890</i>	<i>Gain</i>	<i>Loss</i>
H. A. Miles	45		16	17	21	21	21	
W. B. Hazen	46	16	17	17	14	13		3
Gen. J. L. Reno	47	100	117	119	126	130	30	
Pacific	48	15	18	21	27	28	13	
Kit Carson	49	18	20	25	26	26	8	
T. P. Price	50	36	38	36	40	51	15	
Gen. Grover	51	18	18	19	19	20	2	
Washington	52	13	12	20	24	25	12	
Whitman	53	14	14	13	14	14		
C. M. Reed	54	15	15	16	26	29	14	
T. T. Minor	55	15	13	13	13	13		2
Lieut. Cushing	56		20	20	22	23	23	
H. G. Sickles	57		17	17	17	17	17	
C. M. Kellogg	58		19	18	19	19	19	
C. R. Apperson	59		31	37	40	43	43	
C. W. H. Bentley	60		13	14	14	17	17	
Jas J. Andrews	61			10	14	17	17	
Gen. Milroy	62			20	22	23	23	
Geo. Crook	63				18	21	21	
Wallace	64					10	10	
W. T. Sherman	65					11	11	
Admiral Porter	66					17	17	
B. F. Stephenson	67					11	11	
Gen. Emory	68					15	15	
Totals		1897	2215	2321	2512	2686	865	76

RECAPITULATION.

Members in good standing March 31, 1890,.....	1897
GAINS—By Muster-in.....	724
By Transfer.....	268
By reinstatement.....	80
Reinstatement from Delinq. Rep'ts.....	43
	1115
Aggregate.....	3012
LOSS — By Death.....	32
By Honorable Discharge.....	22
By Transfer.....	109
By suspension.....	160
By Dishonorable Discharge.....	3
Total Loss.....	326
Number remaining in good standing.....	2686
Net gain in membership in good standing.....	789
Net Gain in Posts reporting.....	14
Members remaining suspended.....	127
Total on Roll.....	2813

TABLE OF PROGRESSION.

Showing the members in good standing in the Grand Army of the Republic during each quarter since the organization of the Department.

	1883	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891
1st Quarter.....	312	448	822	817	846	1112	1526	1897	2686
2d Quarter.....	344	627	767	522	849	1060	1344	2215	
3d Quarter.....	386	764	611	778	921	1132	1567	2321	
4th Quarter.....	427	824	886	690	1046	1358	1742	2512	
Total gain each yr. 427.....	397	62		356	312	384	770	174	
Loss .....			196						

## MUSTERED OUT.

The number of deaths in the Department for the year just closed are as follows:

*Quarter ending June 30, 1890.*

H. H. BURNETT, A. A. MANNING, of Stevens Post, No. 1.  
 F. M. GEOGHEGAN, of Ellsworth Post, No. 2.  
 J. H. DEAL, C. H. PARKS, of Custer Post, No. 6.  
 JACOB A. CHAPMAN, WM. H. CADWELL, of Farragut Post,  
 No. 15.  
 JOHN BURGOON, of Burnside Post, No. 40.  
 FRANK A. DOAK, BENJ. F. HOWELL, of P. H. Sheridan  
 Post, No. 44.

Total died during quarter, 10.

*Quarter ending Sept. 30, 1890.*

AMOS BURGERT, F. A. HANSON, G. P. MCFADDEN, of Stevens  
 Post, No. 1.  
 JOSHUA P. STOKES, of A. Lincoln Post, No. 4.  
 J. E. THOMPSON, of Custer Post, No. 6.  
 J. W. GRIFFITH, of James Parsons Post, No. 11.  
 GEO. FISCHER, of E. M. Baker Post, No. 33.  
 MICHAEL WHALEN, of W. H. Seward Post, No. 36.

Total died during quarter, 8.

*Quarter ending Dec. 31, 1890.*

GEORGE M. BOMAN, of Stevens Post No. 1.  
 IRA W. BROWN, of Sedgwick Post, No. 8.  
 L. C. SEATON, of James Parsons Post, No. 11.  
 RALPH WILSON, of L. C. Ladd Post, No. 17.  
 C. H. MERRICK, GEO. D. HILL, of J. F. Miller Post, No. 31.

Total died during quarter, 6.

*Quarter ending March 31, 1891.*

EDWIN SPARKS, of Ellsworth Post, No. 2.  
 H. W. LIGHT, of Morton Post, No. 10.  
 \_\_\_\_\_, of D. A. Russell Post, No. 35.  
 J. C. ARNOLD, of Burnside Post, No. 40.  
 J. D. MALTBY, of H. A. Miles Post, No. 45  
 S. WHITMAN, of W. B. Hazen Post, No. 46.  
 F. W. FISK, of Gen. J. L. Reno Post, No. 47.  
 J. B. ROBBERTSON, of C. M. Reed Post, No. 54.

Total died during Quarter, 8.

Total deaths from March 31, 1890 to March 31, 1891, 32.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. CRAWFORD, A. A. G.

On motion of Comrade Holton the report was submitted to the following committee:

C. M. Holton, Meade Post No. 9, North Yakima; J. W. Langley, Miller Post No. 31, Seattle; S. M. White, A. Lincoln Post No. 4, Walla Walla; R. Scott, Meade Post No. 9, North Yakima; and C. M. Armbrust, Pacific Post No. 48, Port Angeles.

The Senior Vice Commander submitted his annual report which was received and placed on file.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE COMMANDER.

H'DQ'RS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
 SENIOR VICE COMMANDER'S OFFICE, }  
 PUYALLUP, WASH., April 22, 1891. }

*To the Department Commander of Washington and Alaska G. A. R.*

SIR AND COMRADE—I have the honor to report that during the year I was on leave from this jurisdiction for about four months. Not having been called upon to perform any official duty I have nothing to submit.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

A. J. SMITH,

Senior Vice Dept. Comdr.

The Medical Director submitted his annual report as follows:

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
 MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S OFFICE, }  
 TACOMA, WASH., April 1, 1891. }

*M. M. Holmes, Department Commander.*

SIR AND COMRADE—I have the honor to submit the following annual report on the sanitary conditions of this Department for the past twelve months.

By considerable effort I have succeeded in getting reports from forty-four posts in this department, as follows, per Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 18, 19, 20, 23, 25, 32, 33, 35, 36, 38, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 51, 52, 53, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 61, 63, and the following statements:

Total number of deaths during the year.....	19
Number of ex-soldiers, sailors and marines treated free...	78
Reasonable money value of such service.....	\$553 00
Families of ex-soldiers and sailors treated free, number of patients.....	13
Reasonable money value of such service.....	\$321 00
Value of medicine and surgical appliances furnished by	

relief corps, posts and other organizations..... \$338 00  
 Number of deserving sick and maimed not receiving pen-  
 sions..... 122

As will be seen by the above report, the number of deaths are but 19. I am satisfied that this is far below the actual number of old soldiers and sailors that have died in this Department during the past year. A full and correct report would probably have given double this number.

The fact that we have a sanitary report from forty-four posts indicates a very marked advance in this Department, although there is no excuse for the remainder of the posts failing in their duty in this respect.

It is true that in many of the smaller posts there are no comrades who are surgeons to fill that office, but in such cases the post commander, with the aid of the adjutant, can make a satisfactory report with very little trouble. But I find that many of the smaller posts are more prompt in their duties in this respect than some of the larger and older posts. The post of which I am a member has several comrades who served as surgeons in the army, one of whom has always filled the position of post surgeon, yet I have been able to get but two reports from this post during the year, and they were made by the post commander.

To the comrades who have been prompt in forwarding their reports, thereby enabling me to place before this Department a statement of the sanitary conditions, although imperfect, as it may be, I extend my cordial thanks, and hope my successor, at the next Department Encampment, will be able to proudly state that every post has promptly forwarded a post surgeon's report.

Very truly yours,

H. C. BOSTWICK,  
 Medical Director.

Comrade Cosgrove moved that the report be received and placed on file.

The motion was carried.

The Department Inspector submitted his annual report as follows:

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
 DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR'S OFFICE, }  
 OLYMPIA, WASH., April 15, 1891. }

*M. M. Holmes, Department Commander of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.*

SIR AND COMRADE—Having been reappointed Inspector of the Department by yourself after the adjournment of the last annual encampment I have the honor to present this, my second

INSPECTOR'S REPORT OF THE POSTS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R., JAN. 1, 1891.

Number of Post.	NAMES.	LOCATION.	No. of Members in good standing	Is the work in the ritual committed to memory and properly performed?	Are the officers and guards uniformed and equipped?	Are the members uniformed and equipped?	How many muskets are owned by the Post?	Are the officers regular in attendance?	Are the members regular in attendance?	Do they exhibit an interest in the Post?	Are the records complete and well kept?	Are orders received regularly and read?	Are they duly obeyed?	Have all reports and dues been forwarded?	Amount charged for Muster-in.	Amount charged to members for dues, quarterly.	Are Benefits paid in case of sickness?	If so, how much per week?	Is there a relief fund for charitable purposes?	How much money is in the relief fund?	Amount expended for charity from Dec. 31, 1889 to Dec. 31, 1890.	What are the prospects of the Post?	
1	Stevens	Seattle	284	Yes	Partly	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	75	Sometimes	No stated amt	Yes	\$75 00		Good	
2	Ellsworth	Vancouver	43	Partly	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	75	No		No		\$ 125 00	Good	
3	Alfred Sully	Dayton	53	Partly	No	Some		Yes	Some	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	50	No		No		27 25	Good	
4	A. Lincoln	Walla Walla	62	Yes	Yes	Partly		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 50	1 00	No		No			Good	
5	Geo. H. Thomas	Olympia	70	No and yes	Partly	Partly	9	Yes	Fairly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	75	No		County			Good	
6	Custer	Tacoma	275	Partly	Yes	Partly	42	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 75	75	No		No		1593 50	Good	
7	Phil Kearney	Toledo	24	Partly	No	No		Fairly	Fairly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 50	50	Sometimes		Yes		75 00	Good	
8	Sedgwick	Spokane	97	Yes	Yes	Nearly all		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	1 00	No		No		308 30	Good	
9	Meade	North Yakima	40	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	1 00	No		No			Good	
10	Morton	Snohomish	21	Yes	No	No		Fairly	Fairly	Fair	Hardly	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	75	No		No		9 00	Good	
11	Jas. Parsons	Ellensburg	48	Partly	Partly	Partly		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 50	75	No		No			Fair	
12	McPherson	Kalama	15	No and yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	25	No		No			Good	
13	Garfield	Montesano	28	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 50	50	No		No			Good	
14	Philo Buckman	Sprague	35	No	No	Some	8	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	50	Yes		No		50 00	Good	
15	Farragut	Port Townsend	33	No and yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	75	No		No			Good	
16	Jno. A. Logan	Garfield	21	No and yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	37 1/2	No		No		5 00	Fair	
17	L. C. Ladd	Puyallup	43	Partly	Partly	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 75	75	No	None	No			Good	
18	Larrabee	La Conner	25	Yes	No	No		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	50	No	None	No			Fair	
19	Nath'l Lyon	Colfax	34	Partly	No	Partly		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	75	No		No		9 10	Good	
20	Baker	Goldendale	24	No	No	No	13	Yes	No	Yes	Fairly	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	45	No		No			Good	
21	Defunct																						
22	McDowell	Pomeroy	55	No	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	50	No		No			Good	
23	Geo. Wright	Cheney		Yes	No	No		Partly	Partly	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	3 00	75	By contribut'n		No			Fair	
24	Jas. B. Steadman	Whatecom	44	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	3 00	75	No		Yes	35 00	160 00	Improving	
25	Joe Hooker	Chehalis	13	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	50	No		No		40 00	Good	
26	Defunct																						
27	Defunct																						
28	Defunct																						
29	Maj. Anderson	Palouse City	36	No	Partly	Partly		Yes	No	Fairly	Partly	Some		Yes	1 00	50	No	None	No		15 45	Fair	
30	Defunct																						
31	J. F. Miller	Seattle	100	Partly	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	75	No		No			Good	
32	Reynolds	Blaine	30	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	50	No	None	Yes	5 00		Good	
33	E. M. Baker	Walla Walla	26	No	No	Partly		Some	Some	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	No	None	No			Rather poor	
34	Lindsey	Pine City	11	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 75	50	Yes		Yes	10 00	2 00	Good	
35	D. A. Russell	Mount Vernon	35	Yes	No	No		Yes	Fair	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	75	No		No			Fair	
36	W. H. Seward	Juneau, Alaska	15	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	5 00	3 00	Yes		No		61 74	Good	
37	J. J. Lewis	Asotin	25	No	No	No		Yes	Partly	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	50	No		No			Medium	
38	F. P. Blair	Spangle	22	No	No	No		No	No	No	Fair	Fair	Yes	Yes	3 00	75	No		No		113 00	Very poor	
39	R. L. McCook	Sherman	26	No	No	No		Partly	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	15	Yes		No		37 30	Fair	
40	Burnside	Waitsburgh	10	No	No	No		Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	25	No		No			Good	
41	J. B. Wyman	Rockford	11	No	No	No		No	No	No	No	No	No	No	2 00	75	No		No			Poor	
42	Lynch	Lynden	25	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 25	25	No		No			Good	
43	W. S. Hancock	Cosmopolis	70	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	50	No		No		30 00	On the mend	
44	P. H. Sheridan	Tacoma	27	Yes	No	No		Yes	Medium	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	75	No		No			Good	
45	H. A. Miles	Waterville	21	Partly	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	50	No		No			Good	
46	W. B. Hazen	Ritzville	16	No	No	No		Yes	Some	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	75	By donation		No			Good	
47	Gen. J. L. Reno	Spokane	126	Partly	Yes	Partly		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	1 00	No		No	23 50	150 00	Good	
48	Pacific	Port Angeles	22	Partly	Yes	Partly		Yes	Some	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	75	Sometimes		No			Good	
49	Kit Carson	Keiso	27	No	No	No		Yes	Partly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Partly	Yes	3 00	50	No		No			Good	
50	T. P. Price	Centralia	40	No	No	No		No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	2 00	1 25	No		No	20 00		Good	
51	Gen. Grover	Slaughter	20	No	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	3 00	75	No		No			Very Good	
52	Washington	Hoquiam	24	Yes	Yes	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	25	No		No			Good	
53	Whitman	Pullman	14	Partly	No	Partly		Partly	Fair	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	75	Yes		No			Fair	
54	C. M. Reed	Orting	18	Partly	Partly	Partly	4	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 75	75	Yes	\$5 per week	Yes		80 00	Good	
55	T. T. Minor	Napavine	11	Yes	No	No		Some	Some	Some	Yes	Yes	Yes	No		50	No		No			Good	
56	Lieut. Cushing	Ballard	25	It is read	Partly	Partly		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	75	Voluntarily		No			Very Good	
57	H. G. Sickles	Vashon	17	No	No	No		Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 10	50	No		No			Good	
58	C. M. Kellogg	Ferndale	19	No	No	No		No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	50	No		No			Good	
59	C. R. Apperson	Fairhaven	40	No	No	No		Most of them	About 40 per cent.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	1 50	No		Yes	10 00	3 00	Good	
60	C. W. H. Bentley	Crescent	15	No	No	No		Some	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	30	No		No			Good	
61	Jas J. Andrews	Oakdale	14	No	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 00	1 00	No		No			Good	
62	Gen. Milroy	Latah	22	No	No	No		No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 00	1 00	No		No			Fair	
63	Geo. Crook	Aberdeen	18	Yes	No	No		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	1 00	75	Yes		No			Good	
	Totals		2371				56														\$178 50	\$2885 64	

Respectfully Submitted in F. C. & L.

CLARENCE M. BARTON, Inspector.



report of the inspection of posts in this Department, with the hope that it will not be destroyed by fire before it is incorporated in the proceedings of the Encampment, as was the last report.

For the first time in the history of the Department a complete report of the inspection of every post is presented. The post of veterans in far off Alaska, Wm. H. Seward Post No. 36, of Juneau, which is attached to this department, and which is nearer to the north pole than any other organized body of Americans, responded promptly, much more so than others nearer home.

It will be seen from the accompanying tabulated reports that nearly all the posts are in good condition and increasing in membership, notwithstanding the steady march of the Union veterans of this state to the final camping ground.

There are ten posts in a highly flourishing condition, with a membership of fifty and upwards, which deserve special mention.

They are:

Stevens No. 1,	Seattle .....	284	Members
Custer No. 6,	Tacoma.....	275	"
General J. L. Reno No. 47,	Spokane.....	126	"
John F. Miller No. 31,	Seattle .....	100	"
Sedgwick No. 8,	Spokane.....	97	"
Phil. H. Sheridan No. 44,	Tacoma.....	77	"
Geo. H. Thomas No. 5,	Olympia.....	70	"
A. Lincoln No. 4,	Walla Walla .....	62	"
McDowell No. 22,	Pomeroy .....	55	"
Alfred Sully No. 3,	Dayton.....	53	"

Five Posts, Nos. 21, 26, 27, 28 and 30, are defunct. The membership of 2,371 in the Department, exclusive of Post 23, the number of whose members was not reported, is equipped with but fifty-six guns, while there should be a stand of arms in every post room.

But \$178.50 is reported in the relief fund, and the splendid sum of \$2,885.64 is shown to have been paid out for charity during the past year.

It will be seen that the charges for muster-in vary from \$5 to \$1 in the various posts, and the dues vary from \$5 per year to fifteen cents per quarter. It would perhaps be the correct thing to make both the charge for mustering-in and for dues uniform throughout the Department, but at a rate that would not cripple the finances of the posts or the individual membership.

From the reports made by the Assistant Inspectors of Posts 33, 38 and 41 it is evident that some action should be taken by the Department to help them along.

While I have not been able to personally inspect many of the posts, the Assistant Inspectors have done the work ably, and aided by the persistent communications of yourself to the various

posts, this Encampment is able to see at a glance the exact status of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Washington and Alaska.

May those of us who are spared keep step to the music of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty until finally mustered out.

C. M. BARTON,  
Department Inspector.

Comrade Garretson moved that the report be referred to a committee of five.

The motion was adopted and the following comrades were appointed as such committee:

H. F. Garretson, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma; H. S. Lillager, C. M. Reed Post No. 54, Orting; H. G. York, Morton Post No. 10, Snohomish; W. G. Latimer, Miller Post No. 31, Seattle; J. L. Brown, James Parsons Post No. 11, Ellensburg.

The Judge Advocate submitted his annual report as follows:

REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA G. A. R. }  
OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE, }  
GOLDENDALE, WASH., April 10, 1891. }

*M. M. Holmes* Department Commander, Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.

SIR AND COMRADE—It gives me pleasure to be able to report to you that, during the year I have had the honor of holding the position of Judge Advocate of the Department, no business pertaining to said office has been brought before or referred to me.

This is an evidence of the commendable discipline extant, and the good feeling existing in the ranks of the gallant comrades in this Encampment District.

In closing this brief report, I desire to heartily congratulate you, and through you our brave comrades, on this harmony of feeling and the good will entertained by one comrade for another.

Thanking you for the great honor done me in the appointment to the office of Judge Advocate of this Department,

I am very truly yours, in F. C. and L.,

W. R. DUNBAR,  
Judge Advocate.

Comrade Cosgrove moved that the report be received and placed on file.

The motion was carried.

The annual report of the Chief Mustering Officer was read as follows:

## REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA G. A. R. }  
 OFFICE OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER, }  
 SPOKANE, WASH., April 20, 1891. }

*M. M. Holmes* Department Commander, Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.

SIR AND COMRADE—I have the honor to submit herewith my report of the business of this office for the year ending April 22, 1891.

## POSTS MUSTERED.

H. G. Sickles Post No. 57. Mustered in at Chautauqua by Department Commander June 14, 1890, with a charter membership of sixteen.

C. M. Kellogg Post No. 58. Mustered in at Ferndale by S. P. Hughes, S. M. O., June 14, 1890, with a charter membership of eighteen.

C. R. Apperson Post No. 59. Mustered in at Fairhaven by Department Commander June 24, 1890, with a charter membership of thirty-one.

C. W. H. Bentley Post No. 60. Mustered in at Crescent Post-office by Chief Mustering Officer June 24, 1890, with a charter membership of thirteen.

James J. Andrews Post No. 61. Mustered in at Oakesdale by Chief Mustering Officer August 9, 1890, with a charter membership of ten.

General Milroy Post No. 62. Mustered in at Latah by Chief Mustering Officer August 16, 1890, with a charter membership of sixteen.

George Crook Post No. 63. Mustered in at Aberdeen by J. T. Burns, S. M. O., November 1, 1890, with a charter membership of fourteen.

Wallace Post No. 64. Mustered in at Springdale by Chief Mustering Officer January 24, 1891, with a charter membership of ten.

W. T. Sherman Post No. 65. Mustered in at Medical Lake by Chief Mustering Officer March 12, 1891, with a charter membership of eleven.

Admiral Porter Post No. 66. Mustered in at Ferry by Arthur Bridges, S. M. O., March 31, 1891, with a charter membership of seventeen.

B. F. Stephenson Post No. 67. Mustered in at Sumas City by Jos. Pym, S. M. O., April 10, 1891, with a charter membership of eleven.

General Emory Post No. 68. Mustered in at Anacortes by M.

M. Holmes, Department Commander, April 11, 1891, with a charter membership of fifteen.

Total membership 182.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

E. M. BLOOMER,  
Chief Mustering Officer.

Comrade Harlan moved that the report be received and placed on file.

The motion was carried.

The Assistant Quartermaster-General submitted the following report, which was referred to the Council of Administration.

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.,  
OFFICE OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL,  
SEATTLE, WASH., April 22, 1891. }

*M. M. Holmes, Department Commander, Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.:*

COMRADE: I have the honor to submit the financial transactions of this office to date.

CASH ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Turned over by Past Commander Cosgrove's administration .....	\$432 74	
Turned over by Past Commander Holton's administration .....		
J. T. Kingsbury, Past A. A. G. ....	\$24 60	
C. M. Holton, Past Department Commander, being deficit of J. W. Wheelock, Past A. A. G. ....	97 00	
	—————	\$121 60
		\$ 554 34
Per capita tax .....		1430 10
Charter fees, Posts Nos 57, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, and 68, .....		110 00
Printing Roster, W. R. C. ....		10 50
<i>Supplies</i>		
From Posts .....	\$746 93	
Sundry Sources, .....	116 55	
	—————	863 48
Total to be accounted for .....		\$2968 42

DISBURSEMENTS.

*Supplies.*

Quartermaster-General, on old account.....	\$173 85	
Quartermaster-General, on current account	336 67	
		\$510 52
Geo. W. Simmons, Department Badges.....	268 20	
Gilt Buttons.....	3 50	
Graham & Daulton, frames.....	8 50	
		790 72
Per capita tax, National Headquarters.....	41 52	
Exchange.....	30	
		41 82

*Expenses.*

S. G. Cosgrove, per order 8th Encampment	\$225 10	
J. O. Clark, Past A. Q. M., per order 8th Encampment.....	30 00	
J. T. Kingsbury, Past A. A. G., per order 8th Encampment.....	30 00	
		285 10
Printing Journal, 8th Encampment.....	200 00	
Printing Roster and Folders.....	40 00	
Department Seal.....	12 00	
Cut, Department Badge.....	5 00	
Books and files.....	15 50	
Officers' Roster, Orders and Circulars.....	315 00	
Official Roster.....	513 00	
Salary, Assistant Adjutant-General.....	200 00	
Salary, Assistant Quartermaster-General, ten per cent. on \$863.48.....	86 35	
Rent, Department Headquarters.....	150 00	
Postage, telegrams, expressage, etc.....	305 76	
		1842 61

Total Disbursements.....	\$2960 25
Cash balance on hand.....	\$8 17

POST ACCOUNTS WITH THE DEPARTMENT.

- Posts.	Am't Due	Am't Paid	Balances	
			Dr.	Cr.
Stevens Post, No. 1,.....	\$ 207 00	\$ 207 00		
Ellsworth Post, No. 2.....	64 15	64 15		
A. Sully Post, No. 3.....	42 85	42 85		
A. Lincoln Post, No. 4,.....	59 25	59 25		
G. H. Thomas Post, No. 5	90 60	81 40	9 20	
Custer Post, No. 6.....	201 65	201 65		
Phil. Kearney Post, No. 7	11 36	11 36		

Sedgwick Post, No. 8.....	58 70.....	58 70.....	
Meade Post, No. 9.....	36 40.....	36 40.....	
Morton Post, No. 10.....	19 95.....	18 95.....	1 00.....
Jas. Parsons Post, No. 11..	49 35.....	44 85.....	4 50.....
McPherson Post, No. 12....	12 50.....	12 50.....	
Garfield Post, No. 13.....	25 78.....	25 78.....	
P. Buckman Post, No. 14....	31 65.....	31 55.....	10.....
Farragut Post, No. 15.....	34 35.....	34 35.....	
J. A. Logan Post, No. 16....	21 50.....	21 50.....	
L. C. Ladd Post, No. 17....	60 29.....	60 29.....	
Larrabee Post, No. 18.....	16 45.....	16 45.....	
N. Lyon Post, No. 19.....	39 49.....	40 99.....	1 50.....
Baker Post, No. 20.....	17 62.....	13 95.....	3 67.....
McDowell Post, No. 22....	42 25.....	42 25.....	
Geo. Wright Post, No. 23..	25 35.....	15 15.....	10 20.....
J.B.Steadman Post, No. 24	34 10.....	34 10.....	
Joe Hooker Post, No. 25....	15 60.....	15 60.....	
Maj. Anderson Post, No. 29	19 80.....	19 80.....	
O. M. Mitchell Post, No. 30	6 75.....	6 75.....	
J. F. Miller Post, No. 31....	75 38.....	75 38.....	
Reynolds Post, No. 32.....	17 85.....	16 05.....	1 80.....
E. M. Baker Post, No.33....	24 23.....	24 23.....	
Lindsey Post, No. 34.....	14 00.....	14 00.....	
D. A. Russell Post, No. 35	21 90.....	21 90.....	
W. H. Seward Post, No. 36	8 85.....	8 85.....	
J. J. Lewis Post, No. 37....	15 15.....	15 15.....	
F. P. Blair Post, No. 38....	13 80.....	13 80.....	
R. L. McCook Post, No. 39	15 00.....	15 00.....	
Burnside Post, No. 40.....	12 60.....	12 60.....	
J. B. Wyman Post, No. 41	9 25.....	9 25.....	
Lynch Post, No. 42.....	23 00.....	23 00.....	
W. S. Hancock Post, No. 43	39 45.....	40 45.....	1 00.....
P. H. Sheridan Post, No. 44	84 32.....	84 32.....	
H. A. Miles Post, No. 45....	28 47.....	28 47.....	
W. B. Hazen Post, No. 46	14 25.....	14 25.....	
J. L. Reno Post, No. 47.....	131 35.....	131 35.....	
Pacific Post, No. 48.....	30 35.....	30 35.....	
Kit Carson Post, No. 49....	25 85.....	25 85.....	
T. P. Price Post, No. 50....	40 62.....	38 82.....	1 80.....
Gen. Grover Post, No. 51....	14 05.....	14 05.....	
Washington Post, No. 52..	23 45.....	23 55.....	10.....
Whitman Post, No. 53.....	18 15.....	19 20.....	1 05.....
C. M. Reed Post, No. 54....	22 75.....	12 75.....	10 00.....
T. T. Minor Post, No. 55..	5 85.....	5 85.....	
Lieut. Cushing Post No.56,	26 55.....	26 55.....	

H. G. Sickles Post, No. 57	12 20.....	12 20.....	
C. M. Kellogg Post, No. 58	30 25.....	30 25.....	
C.R. Apperson Post, No. 59	52 90.....	52 90.....	
C.W.H. Bentley Post, No. 60	16 94.....	16 94.....	
J. J. Andrews Post, No. 61	20 65.....	21 75.....	1 10
Gen. Milroy Post, No. 62	20 60.....	20 60.....	
Geo. Crook Post, No. 63	17 50.....	17 50.....	
Wallace Post, No. 64	33 13.....	33 00.....	13.....
W.T. Sherman Post, No. 65	9 30.....	9 30.....	

Total.....\$1214 68.....\$2177 03.....\$42 40.....\$ 4 75

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES.

The financial condition of the Department is as follows:

*Resources.*

Cash.....		\$8 17	
Due from Posts.			
Geo. H. Thomas Post, No. 5, \$	9 20		
Morton Post, No. 10.....	1 00		
Jas. Parsons Post, No. 11,	4 50		
Philo Buckman Post, No. 14	10		
Baker Post, No. 20.....	3 67		
Geo. Wright Post, No. 23	10 20		
Reynolds Post, No. 32.....	1 80		
T. P. Price Post, No. 50.....	1 80		
C. M. Reed Post, No. 54.....	10 00		
Wallace Post, No. 64.....	13		
		42 40	
Supplies per inventory.....		228 30	
			\$278 87

*Liabilities.*

Due to Posts.			
N. Lyon Post, No. 19.....	1 50		
W. S. Hancock Post, No. 43	1 00		
Washington Post, No. 52	10		
Whitman Post, No. 53.....	1 05		
J. J. Andrews Post, 61,.....	1 10		
		4 75	
J. Taylor, Q. M. Gen'l for supplies, (invoice not re- ceived).....		88 20	
M. M. Holmes, Department Commander, balance trav- eling expenses allowed by 8th Encampment.....		130 00	
			222 95
Net assets.....			\$ 55 92

This does not include the Department desk, seal, flag and other property of little money value.

## SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Sales, including amount furnished with charter,	\$959 46	
Inventory, April 22, 1891 .....	228 30	
		\$1187 76
Received from Commander Cosgrove, inventory	\$108 37	
Purchased.....	705 07	
		813 44
Gain.....		\$ 374 32

## CONSOLIDATED REPORTS OF POST QUARTERMASTERS.

Balance on hand March 31, 1890.....\$ 1822 63

*Receipts:*

2d Quarter, 1890.....	\$ 2279 62
3d Quarter, 1890.....	2094 37
4th Quarter, 1890.....	2936 14
1st Quarter, 1891.....	2914 15

Total receipts..... 10224 28

Total to be accounted for.....\$12046 91

*Disbursements:*

Department per capita tax.....	\$ 1364 50
For relief from Post funds.....	732 61
For all other disbursements.....	8003 64
Transferred to relief fund.....	186 57

Total disbursements..... \$10287 32

Cash balance on hand March 31, 1891.....\$ 1759 59

Cash invested in collaterals..... 120 00

Total balance.....\$ 1879 59

*Relief Fund:*

Balance on hand March 31, 1890.....	\$ 94 27
Received from all sources.....	3228 82

Total .....\$3323 09

Expended in charity from March 31, 1890 to March 31, 1891..... 3130 21

Balance on hand..... 192 88

*Recapitulation:*

Cash balance in post fund.....\$ 1879 59

Cash balance in relief fund .....	192 88
Cash value of real estate belonging to posts.....	5409 97
Cash invested in furniture, flags, etc.....	5247 97
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Total value of post property.....	\$12730 41

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. TREEN,

Assistant Quartermaster-General.

A communication from the Woman's Relief Corps extending the greetings of that body, reporting the good work accomplished during the year past, and conveying the assurance of continued sympathy and support was received.

Comrade Langley moved that the communication be referred to a special committee of three, with instructions to prepare a fitting response.

The motion was adopted, and the following named comrades appointed as such committee:

J. W. Langley, Miller Post No. 31, Seattle; S. F. Street, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle; A. W. Hight, Lieutenant Cushing Post No. 56, Ballard.

Comrade Garretson moved that a committee on resolutions be appointed.

The motion was carried, and the following named comrades were appointed as such committee:

H. F. Garretson, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma; P. P. Carroll, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle; R. G. O'Brien, Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 5, Olympia; J. E. Gandy, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane; and T. M. Young, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

Comrade Street moved that all resolutions be referred to the committee on resolutions without debate.

The motion was carried.

The Commander announced that the main object of the evening meeting was for the exemplification of the ritual, and the opera house not being suitable for the purpose the Sons of Veterans had signified their willingness to trade halls for the evening, and the evening session would therefore be held in the Miller Opera House.

Comrade R. B. Scott, of Sedgwick Post No. 8,

Spokane, moved that the Department of Washington and Alaska send greeting to the Department of California, now in session at Santa Cruz.

The motion was carried.

Recess till 8 P. M.

#### EVENING SESSION.

Encampment met at 8 p. m. in Miller's Opera House.

The Department Commander announced the special order, which was the exemplification of the ritual of the muster-in ceremony by the officers and members of Stevens Post No. 1, of Seattle.

The following officers and members comprised the detail for the exemplification.

Commander, S. F. Street.

Senior Vice Commander, M. V. Mills.

Junior Vice Commander, L. A. Treen.

Chaplain, Roswell Scott.

Officer of the Day, James Alexander.

Officer of the Guard, S. G. Benedict.

Guards, J. P. Crawford, W. G. Hubbard, J. T. Ryan, W. A. Cover.

Escort, S. W. Morrison.

Adjutant, T. M. Young.

Quartermaster, O. C. McGray.

The exemplification was conducted with a promptness, snap and accuracy that elicited warm encomiums from the comrades assembled; the officiating comrades receiving universal congratulation for their thorough work.

After the muster-in ceremony the Encampment spent a short season in the exchange of reminiscences, singing, instrumental music, etc.

The Encampment adjourned to 9 a. m. Thursday April 23.

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#### SECOND DAY—Morning Session.

Encampment met at 9 o'clock pursuant to adjournment.

The Commander reported having sent the following to the Department of California in obedience to the instructions of the Encampment:

*A. J. Buckles, Commander Department of California, G. A. R., Santa Cruz, California.*

THE HATCHETS OF WASHINGTON TO THE BEARS OF CALIFORNIA, GREETING:—In session at Puyallup with a net gain during the past year of more than forty-one per cent., hope that their comrades of California have done still better.

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander.

The following telegram in response to the above was also read:

SANTA CRUZ, CAL., April 22, 1891.

*M. M. Holmes, Puyallup, Wash.*

THE BEARS OF CALIFORNIA RETURN GREETING TO THE HATCHETS:—God speed you. Bears have gain of sixty-three.

A. J. BUCKLES,  
Department Commander.

The following communication was received from a committee of the Woman's Relief Corps:

PUYALLUP, WASH., April 22, 1891.

*M. M. Holmes, Department Commander of Washington and Alaska G. A. R.*

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS—The Department of the W. R. C. in convention assembled, return to the G. A. R. Encampment an unanimous vote of thanks for the donation of \$117.15 to our Department Relief Fund.

By order of the convention.

Yours in F. C. and L.,  
LIZZIE R. HERRICK,  
ELLA BOGGS,  
Committee.

The communication was ordered spread upon the minutes.

The announcement being made that Governor Laughton and staff would arrive in Puyallup at 10 o'clock, Comrade Baker of Ellsworth Post No. 2 moved that a committee of three be appointed to receive his excellency and escort him and his staff to the Encampment.

The motion was carried, and the Commander appointed the committee as follows:

- E. B. Baker, of Ellsworth Post No. 2.
- J. F. McLean, of A. Lincoln Post No. 4.
- D. G. Lovell, of Custer Post No. 6.

The committee appointed to consider the report of the Inspector General submitted the following report:

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA G. A. R.,  
NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,  
PUYALLUP, WASH., April 23, 1891. }

*M. M. Holmes, Department Department Commander of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.*

SIR AND COMRADE—Your committee to whom was referred the report of Inspector C. M. Barton, respectfully report as follows: That the report has so effectually covered the ground that they have nothing but praise for the thorough manner in which he has presented to the Encampment the status of the various posts of the Department up to Jan. 1, 1891. As stated in the report, this is the first time in the history of the Department that all the posts during a fiscal year have been heard from officially at the succeeding Encampment. The Inspector has also tabulated the returns so that the status can be seen at a glance, and we recommend that the report and the table of figures be printed in the annual report of this Encampment, that it may be a guide for future inspectors. In accordance with the recommendations of the Inspector your committee urge that some steps be taken to supply the various posts of the Department each with a stand of arms through the military arm of the state government, and that an effort be made to make the charge for muster-in and the amount for monthly dues uniform throughout the Department.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. GARRETSON,  
W. G. LATIMER,  
H. S. LILLAGER,  
J. L. BROWN,  
H. G. YORK.

Comrade Cosgrove moved that the report of the committee be adopted except in so far as it might recommend the uniformity of muster fees and dues.

The motion was carried.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Assistant Adjutant General, submitted the following report:

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA G. A. R.,  
 NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,  
 PUYALLUP, WASH., April 24, 1891. }

*M. M. Holmes, Department Commander Department of Washington  
 and Alaska G. A. R.*

SIR AND COMRADE—Your committee to whom was referred the report of J. P. Crawford, A. A. G., have considered the same and respectfully report as follows: We find the report stripped of all unnecessary verbiage and replete with facts and figures, showing the progress of the Department during each quarter since its organization, the changes during the past year and its present cheering condition. We find cause to congratulate the Encampment on the very flourishing condition of the Department, and especially on the fact shown by the report that in a total membership of 2,686 only three have been dishonorably discharged during the year. Words could not speak more eloquently of the splendid personnel of the comrades of this Department. We take pleasure in commending this full and able report and in recommending its adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. M. HOLTON,  
 J. W. LANGLEY,  
 R. SCOTT,  
 C. M. ARMBRUST,  
 S. M. WHITE.

A motion was made that the report be received and adopted.

The motion was carried.

The committee on the report of the Department Commander submitted the following report:

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA G. A. R. }  
 NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT,  
 PUYALLUP, WASH., April 23, 1891. }

*To the Ninth Annual Encampment.*

COMRADES—Your committee to whom was referred the report of Department Commander Holmes, respectfully report as follows: We most cheerfully and heartily endorse the report of the Department commander and call especial attention to its brief, yet concise manner of dealing with all topics discussed therein. The noble sentiment in its preamble is especially worthy of our commendation. We congratulate the Commander on the increased membership as shown by the reports.

The clause on finances was omitted in the reading. It shows the Department in debt to the Commander. He has probably expended a large amount of money from his own pocket, and we

trust the council of administration will see to it that all deficiencies are promptly met.

The legislation mentioned has been largely due to his efforts and deserves approbation and earnest co-operation for future benefits.

The Soldiers' Home in course of construction is a worthy and valuable effort of the year, and the entire board should be heartily commended for the earnestness with which they have pushed this work. It is hoped an earnest effort will be made to induce all posts and corps to furnish rooms therein.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

S. F. STREET,  
T. M. ANDERSON,  
G. W. STINSON,  
O. B. JOHNSON,  
W. H. WISCOMB.

Comrade Garretson, of Custer Post No. 6, moved that the report be received and adopted,

The motion was carried.

The committee to whom was referred the greetings of the Women's Relief Corps submitted the following report:

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT, }  
PUYALLUP, WASH., April 23, 1891. }

*Mrs. May Evans, President of the W. R. C.*

The Department of Washington and Alaska, in its ninth annual Encampment assembled, have the honor to receive your fraternal greetings and the report of your work during the year just closed, and in behalf of all its members to cordially thank you and those you represent for your generous co-operation in relieving the distress of the needy wards of the nation.

While deploring the conditions that inspired your patriotic efforts, and made organized charity a necessity, we yet believe that you are engaged in a labor of love second only to that performed by your heroic mothers and sisters at home, in camp, hospital and field, during the dark days of rebellion and war.

The Department hails your organization as its willing helpmate and co-laborer in promoting the grand principles of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

The liberality of our young State towards the nation's defenders, together with an enlarged pension list, may lighten your burdens in the future, and relieve you of much anxiety and solicitude for those who have hitherto received help from your bounteous

hands, but the grand purposes of your noble order and their cheerful accomplishment, will ever remain a sweet memory and commend your unselfish efforts to the grateful consideration of every surviving member of the G. A. R.

Very Respectfully in F. C. & L..

J. W. LANGLEY,  
S. F. STREET,  
A. W. HIGHT,  
Committee.

Comrade Sinclair, of Lieut, Cushing Post, No. 56, moved that the report and recommendations of the Committee be adopted:

The motion was carried.

The Commander appointed as a committee to convey to the Sons of Veterans the greetings of the Grand Army of the Republic:

S. G. COSGROVE, of McDowell Post, No. 22,

W. R. DUNBAR, of Baker Post, No. 20,

W. D. CLOSE, of McPherson Post, No. 12.

Comrade Quinn suggested that in view of the inclement weather at this season, the time of holding the annual encampment be changed until later in the season.

The Commander explained that as it was a matter of law that the Encampment should be held prior to May 1, the only way in which a change of time could be effected would be to memorialize the next National Encampment, and suggested that some Comrade prepare an appropriate resolution on the subject.

Upon invitation of Commander Holmes Comrade E. M. Merrett, of Custer Post No. 6, formerly of Geo. F. Dillon Post, of Honolulu, Sandwich Islands, the only Post outside of the United States, made a brief but interesting address upon the resources and industries of the Hawaiian Islands.

Comrade Robinson being called upon to sing, responded with "The Old Army Bean."

Comrade Johnson, of J. L. Reno No. 47, in response to a like invitation, gave in response "The Red White and Blue."

The Commander announced the following formation for the parade on the part of the Encampment:

Chief Marshal.  
Governor Laughton and Staff.  
Department Commander and Staff  
Grand Army Posts in Order of Numbers.  
Ladd Post No. 17 on left of G. A. R. Column.  
Sons of Veterans.

A recess was then taken until 2 P. M. and the column was formed at once for the parade.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION—Second Day.

Encampment opened at 2 P. M.

Comrades Hayden, Cowles and O'Brien, of Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 5, were detailed to furnish music for the Encampment, and responded with "Rally Again," responding to an enthusiastic encore with "Marching Through Georgia," the Encampment joining in the chorus.

The Council of Administration submitted the following report.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R., }  
NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT, }  
PUYALLUP, WASH., April 23, 1891. }

*M. M. Holmes, Department Commander, Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.:*

SIR AND COMRADE—The Council of Administration to whom was referred the report and books of the Assistant Quartermaster-General and the books of the Assistant Adjutant-General, respectfully report as follows: That we have examined the books and accounts of said officials, and find them neatly and correctly kept.

We have also examined the detailed statement of receipts and disbursements, and compared the same with the vouchers submitted, and find that they accord in balances with the reports and books.

In our opinion the financial condition of the Department is, considering the amount and style of work accomplished, all that could be expected.

We therefore recommend that the reports of the Assistant Adjutant-General and the Assistant Quartermaster-General be ac-

cepted and adopted, and the books and accounts closed in conformity therewith.

A. J. SMITH, S. V. D. C.,  
THAD. HUSTON,  
H. F. GARRETSON,  
JOHN P. HOYT,  
Council of Administration.

Comrade Cole, of J. B. Steadman Post No. 24, moved that the report be accepted and adopted.

The motion was carried.

The committee appointed to invite the Woman's Relief Corps to visit the Encampment reported the duty performed and that the ladies would visit the Encampment some time during the afternoon.

On motion it was decided that the installation ceremonies should take place at the Puyallup opera house.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Comrade Johnson, of Sedgwick Post No. 8, moved that the Encampment proceed at once to the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The motion was carried, and Comrades Johnson of Stevens Post No. 1, Gandy of Sedgwick Post No. 8 and T. M. Anderson of Ellsworth Post No. 2, were appointed tellers.

The Encampment then proceeded to the nomination of candidates for Department Commander.

Comrade J. D. Geoghegan, of Ellsworth Post No. 2, placed in nomination Comrade D. G. Lovell, of Custer Post No. 6 of Tacoma.

Comrades McDonald, of Reynolds Post No. 32. of Blaine, and Robinson, Conna and Carroll of Custer Post, No. 6, seconded the nomination of Comrade Lovell.

Comrade J. F. McLean, of A. Lincoln Post, No. 4 nominated Comrade E. P. Galbraith, of Sedgwick Post, No. 8, of Spokane.

Comrade A. S. Cole, of J. B. Steadman Post, No. 24, of Whatcom, seconded the nomination of Comrade Galbraith.

Comrade C. M. Barton, of Phil. H. Sheridan Post,

No. 44, of Tacoma, placed in nomination Comrade R. G. O'Brien, of Geo. H. Thomas Post No, 5, of Olympia.

Comrade Garretson, of Custer Post, No. 6, of Tacoma, seconded the nomination of Comrade O'Brien.

The Officer of the Day announced that a committee of the Sons of Veterans appointed to officially convey the greetings of that body, awaited in the ante-room the pleasure of the Encampment.

The Commander directed their admission.

The Committee of the Sons of Veterans, E. V. Claypool, of the Hoquiam Camp, Chairman, was introduced, the Encampment receiving them with the honors of the order. In few, but eloquent words, the Chairman discharged the duties of the Committee, his remarks meeting with an enthusiastic reception by the Comrades.

Comrade Cosgrove, of McDowell Post, No. 22, was detailed by the Commander to respond, and obeyed orders like a soldier and a Comrade.

As the boys marched out of the Encampment upon the conclusion of their mission, they were saluted with the old cheer, delivered with all the vim of twenty-six years ago, proving that though heads might be gray or bald, hearts were still warm and lungs unimpaired either by use or old age.

Comrade Thad. Huston, of Phil. Sheridan Post, No. 44, of Tacoma, placed in nomination Comrade George Haskins of the same Post.

Comrade Taylor, of Phil Sheridan Post, No. 44, seconded the nomination of Comrade Haskins.

The Encampment then proceeded to ballot for Department Commander on the call of the roll.

The first ballot resulted in the polling of 169 votes, necessary to a choice 85, as follows:

Comrade Galbraith .....	41
Comrade O'Brien .....	38
Comrade Haskins .....	4

Comrade Lovell. ....	84
Comrade Johnson (for Rep.).....	1
Blank.....	1
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Total .....	169

No Comrade having received a majority of all the votes a second ballot was ordered.

The second ballot resulted as follows:

Whole number of votes cast 165; necessary to a choice 83.

Comrade O'Brien .....	31
Comrade Galbraith .....	49
Comrade Lovell.....	84
Blank.....	1
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Total .....	165

The Commander declared Comrade D. G. Lovell duly elected Department Commander for the ensuing year.

Comrade Galbraith moved that the election of Comrade Lovell be made unanimous.

The motion was carried and Comrades Galbraith and O'Brien were appointed a committee to escort Comrade Lovell to the stage.

Comrade Lovell returned thanks for the honor and promised that he would emulate the retiring Commander in working for the prosperity of the Order.

The following officers were duly elected:

- Senior Vice Commander, J. L. Brown, Jas. Parsons Post No. 11.  
 Junior Vice Commander, P. W. Gallup, Pacific Post No. 48.  
 Medical Director, S. M. White, A. Lincoln Post No. 4.  
 Chaplain, Wm. Putnam, C. M. Reed Post No. 54.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

- T. M. Young, Stevens Post No. 1.  
 W. R. Dunbar, Baker Post No. 20.  
 W. L. Visscher, C. R. Apperson Post No. 59.  
 A. J. Smith, E. M. Baker Post No. 33.  
 C. W. Stewart, L. C. Ladd Post No. 17.

REPRESENTATIVES TO 25TH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

- J. P. Hoyt, at large, Stevens Post No. 1.

Frank Johnson, Sedgwick Post No. 8.  
 G. N. Alexander, J. F. Miller Post No. 31.  
 C. T. Patterson, Custer Post No. 6.

## ALTERNATES.

J. F. Sinclair, at large, Lieut. Cushing Post No. 56.  
 W. D. Close, McPherson Post No. 12.  
 J. E. Gandy, Sedgwick Post No. 8.  
 E. B. Wise, Baker Post No. 20.

## NEXT ENCAMPMENT.

The selection of the place of holding the next annual Encampment being next in order, Comrade G. W. Stinson, of No. 13, nominated Hoquiam; Comrade D. R. French, of No. 50, nominated Centralia; Comrade Baker, of No. 2, nominated Vancouver; Comrade H. H. Swasey, of No. 67, nominated Sumas; Comrades A. S. Cole, of No. 24, and Visscher, of No. 59, nominated Fairhaven; and Comrade Wood, of Farragut Post, No. 15, nominated Port Townsend.

The ballot resulted:

Hoquiam.....	12
Centralia .....	13
Vancouver .....	11
Fairhaven .....	39
Port Townsend .....	6

Total .....81

Necessary to a choice, 41.

There being no choice, the Encampment adjourned to meet at 8 P. M. for the camp fire in open meeting.

## THIRD DAY.

Encampment called to order at 9:30 a. m.

Another ballot being ordered for the place of the next encampment, resulted as follows:

Hoquiam.....	10
Fairhaven.....	36
Centralia .....	24
Vancouver .....	8
Port Townsend.....	4
Blank.....	1

Sumas .....	1
Total .....	84
Necessary to a choice.....	43

No choice having been made, a third ballot was ordered and resulted as follows:

Fairhaven .....	56
Centralia .....	31
Port Townsend.....	3
Sumas .....	1

The Commander announced Fairhaven as the choice of the Encampment.

A motion was made, that the next Encampment should be held on the last Wednesday in April, unless the time should be changed by the next National Encampment, in which case the Council of Administration should select a later date.

The motion was carried.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following report of the committee on resolutions was adopted:

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
 NINTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT, }  
 PUYALLUP, WASH., April 24, 1891. }

*M. M. Holmes* Department Commander, Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.

COMRADE: Your committee, to whom was referred the matter of resolutions for the consideration of this Encampment respectfully report as follows:

Bowing in grateful homage and thankfulness to an all-wise Providence for the blessings of the past year, and the privilege of assembling again in fraternal reunion, we submit these resolutions for the consideration and adoption of this Encampment:

*Resolved:* That the prosperous condition of the order in this State is a matter of supreme congratulation. While our number has been very greatly added to during the past year, we realize that there are hundreds of old soldiers who should be, but are not yet, within the fold of the brotherhood whose doctrine of Fraternity, Charity and loyalty is so freely promulgated throughout this broad land. And we recommend that every effort be put forth by the members of this Department to enlist the old veterans to our ranks as rapidly as in the days of '61.

That the national provision for the relief of the soldiers of the

war who are suffering from wounds received and disease engendered while in the service of their country, meets with the hearty and thankful approval of the Grand Army of the Republic of this State.

That the Grand Army of the Republic in the State of Washington, not unmindful of the generosity of the people's representatives in legislative assembly, and the munificent provision made for the erection and maintenance of a home wherein the old heroes of the war for the preservation of the Union, broken in frame and spirit by the vicissitudes of war and battle, may pass in peace and quietness the remainder of their declining days, does here manifest its sincere appreciation of the spirit which prompts this substantial recognition of the fact, that to the soldiers of the Union, and their efforts in its preservation, is due the present unity and prosperity of the nation.

That we believe the best interests of not only this Department but every Department on this Northwest Coast would be best subserved by an extension of the time prescribed by the Rules and Regulations within which Annual Encampments must be held, and we urge that the Representatives of this Department to the National Encampment labor to secure such an amendment to the Rules and Regulations as will enlarge the time from January 1 to August 1, in each year, in this and neighboring Departments.

#### WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

In the hour of the Nation's trial, when the dark cloud of war hovered over the land, the spirit of patriotism that sent our Comrades to do battle for the right, prompted a noble sacrifice on the part of the brave, loyal women of the North. Not content with offering up upon the altar of their country's liberty their husbands, fathers, sons and brothers, they cast off the habiliments of peace and followed the bloody stream of war, to administer to the distress of the soldiers of the Union.

Wherever the hand of gentleness was needed, there was the loyal, loving hand of woman. In the hospital, of wounds, disease and suffering, smoothing the pillow of pain. In the pestilential camp, wiping the death damp from the pallid brow, and moistening the lips of the fever stricken, on the blood-red field of battle, stanching the flowing tide of life and closing the eyes of the dead; by the flickering lamp, at home and fireside, by every art her ingenuity was master of, supplying the hospital, the camp, the field, with the loving product of her labor, and amidst all this, tilling the old homestead, and instilling into the little ones left to her loving care those principles of patriotism for which their sires went forth to fight, many of them, alas, never to return. To those mothers, wives and daughters of the Woman's Relief Corps of the

State of Washington, our lives, our hearts, and our affections belong. May the Great Commander of the armies of this life bless them in the noble work of their order.

SONS OF VETERANS.

That whilst we look back with pride and pleasure at the great good resulting from the sacrifices made in the performance of our duty to our country in the past, we realize that, but a few short years, and the "old soldier" will have answered the last roll call, and at the last "tattoo" his light of life will have gone out. Knowing this to be the inevitable, we look with pride upon the perpetuation of the memory of our services for our country's good. by the noble order of Sons of Veterans, who, faithful to the cause of liberty and free government, honor the memory of their sires in disseminating the principles of National patriotism. While we live our hearts, our hands, and our sympathies are extended to the Sons of Veterans in the most loving encouragement in their good works. We may well be of cheerful heart. Other trials may assail our sons, but they will meet them with a heroism that shall add new lustre to our history and carry our banner to the very forefront of civilization.

That among the honors attaching to our order, none are more worthily worn than that spirit of veneration so lovingly extended to the memory of our honored dead. This is not only a pleasure, but a duty. The memory of the nation's soldier heroes is peculiarly the property of the Grand Army of the Republic, and to honor it is to honor ourselves. There sleeps in the silent city of the dead, at the capital of this great State, one of the nation's purest patriots, bravest soldiers, and honored commanders; one who never knew fear or turned from an enemy in battle. who did more than any one man to secure the overthrow of the enemy at the battle of Gettysburg by his persistent defense at Winchester, and who of all the great commanders of our armies is the only one whose final resting place is within the confines of this State. We believe that in honoring the memory of Major General ROBERT HUSTON MILROY, by erecting over his last resting place a monument suitable to a soldier's deeds and a soldier's glory, we but honor ourselves, and we urgently recommend that a committee of five members of this Department be charged with the accomplishment of this good work.

Since our last Encampment the Bugle call has summoned across the picket line of life two of the honored Past-Commanders of this Department—Comrades George D. Hill and Henry A. Morrow. We sincerely mourn with the families of our deceased Comrades and extend to them a soldier's sympathy in their bereavement.

Twenty-five years ago the first Post of the Grand Army of the

Republic had its birth. The flight of years reminds us, painfully, that twenty-five years hence, the last Post will have surrendered its charter. Is it to be regretted, or are we to be thankful that our work is done? Let time and history declare.

That the kind reception and magnificent entertainment given us by the citizens of Puyallup, L. C. Ladd Post, L. C. Ladd's Woman's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans of Col. John Beverly Camp, compel us to realize more intensely "that all the world's akin." We leave them our sincere thanks and carry away with us grateful memories of their kindly greeting.

To the several transportation companies who so kindly favored our reunion by concessions in our behalf, we owe and extend our sincere thanks.

H. F. GARRETSON,  
J. E. GANDY,  
R. G. O'BRIEN,  
P. P. CARROLL,  
T. M. YOUNG,

Committee.

#### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The Woman's Relief Corps presenting themselves, were received with the honors, and proceeded at once to the installation of officers elect, Mrs. Helen Burke, Past Department President, acting as installing officer.

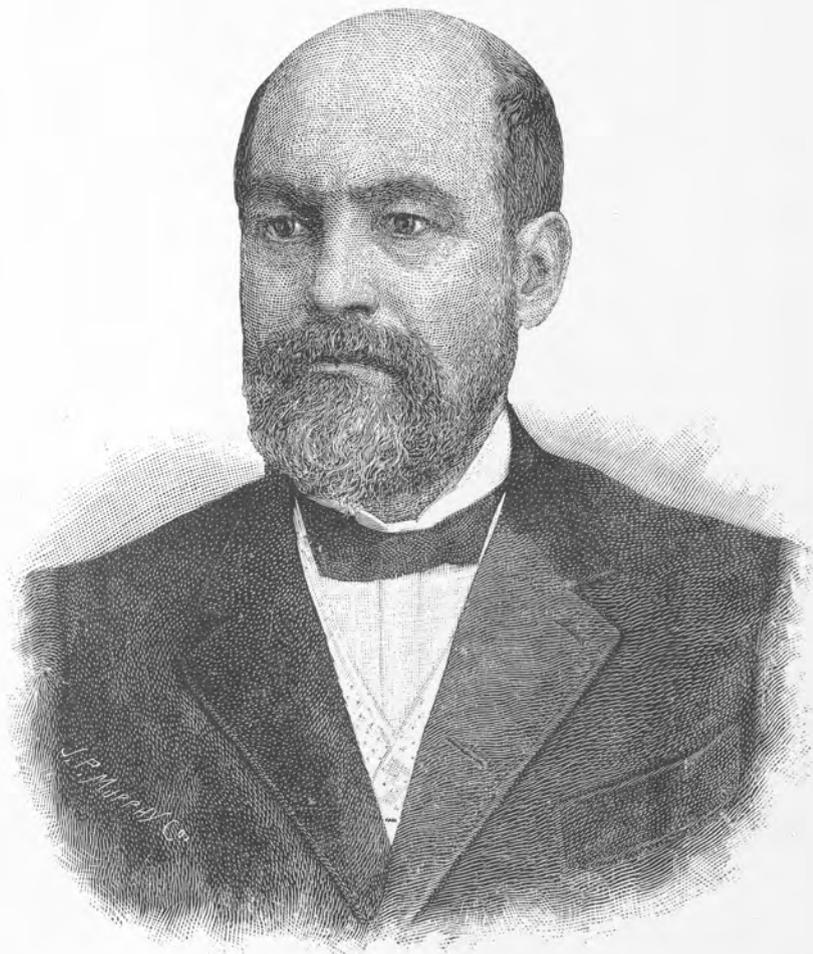
The Department officers elect of the Grand Army of the Republic, together with the official staff, were installed by Commander Holmes,

Upon the conclusion of the installation ceremonies the doors were again closed.

On motion, the representatives to the National Encampment were requested to support for Commander-in-Chief some Comrade from the Pacific coast.

It was announced by G. H. Boardman, President of the Board of Trustees, that Comrade S. F. Street, Commander of Stevens Post No. 1, had been selected as Commandant of the Soldier's Home.

After a few remarks by Commander Holmes, he turned over the gavel, and the command of the Department to Comrade D. G. Lovell, who assumed the same, and no further business appearing, Commander Lovell declared the Encampment closed.



S. G. COSGROVE.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1889.



## GENERAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 SEATTLE, MAY 3, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
 NO. 1. }

I. At the Eighth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, held at Ellensburg, April 30 and May 1, 1890, the following named Comrades were elected to the offices designated:

COMMANDER—

M. M. Holmes, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER—

A. J. Jmith, E. M. Baker Post No. 33, Walla Walla.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER—

David Stamp, Ellsworth Post No. 2, Vancouver.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR—

H. C. Bostwick, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma.

CHAPLAIN—

J. F. Sinclair, Lieut. Cushing Post No. 56, Ballard.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION—

H. F. Garretson, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma.

J. P. Hoyt, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle,

A. P. Curry, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.

F. T. Gilbert, A. Lincoln Post No. 4, Walla Walla.

Thad. Huston, Sheridan Post No. 44, Tacoma.

DELEGATES TO NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT—

G. H. Boardman, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma,

W. L. Visscher, Sheridan Post No. 44, Tacoma,

C. B. Dunning, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.

ALTERNATES.

G. W. Tibbetts, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle,

O. D. McDonald, Reynolds Post No. 32, Blaine,

D. P. Quinn, Pacific Post No. 48, Port Angeles.

II. The following Staff appointments are hereby announced:

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GENERAL—

J. P. Crawford, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

## ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL—

L. A. Treen, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

## INSPECTOR—

C. M. Barton, Sheridan Post No. 44, Tacoma; address Olympia.

## JUDGE ADVOCATE—

W. R. Dunbar, Baker Post No. 20, Goldendale.

## CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER—

E. M. Bloomer, J. L. Reno Post No. 47, Spokane.

## CHIEF OF STAFF—

R. G. O'Brien, George H. Thomas Post No. 5, Olympia.

## AIDES-DE-CAMP—

H. S. Lillager, C. M. Reed Post No. 54, Orting,  
 J. L. Brown, James Parsons Post No. 11, Ellensburg,  
 J. F. McLean, A. Lincoln Post No. 4, Walla Walla,  
 D. G. Lovell, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma,  
 J. S. Watson, J. L. Reno Post No. 47, Spokane,  
 L. S. Willard, J. F. Miller Post No. 31, Seattle,  
 P. W. Gallup, Pacific Post No. 48, Port Angeles,  
 S. P. Hughes, Reynolds Post No. 32, Blaine,  
 D. F. Decatur, Russell Post No. 35, Mount Vernon,  
 Theo. Reed, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane,  
 J. T. Berry, Joe Hooker Post No. 25, Chehalis,  
 W. D. Close, McPherson Post No. 12, Kalama,  
 D. F. Sexton, Morton Post No. 10, Snohomish,  
 J. J. Lemon, Sheridan Post No. 44, Tacoma,  
 H. M. Sutton, Garfield Post No. 13, Montesano,

III. Each Post Commander will recommend to Department Headquarters the name of a Comrade for appointment as Aide-de-Camp.

IV. The Department Inspector will nominate a sufficient number of Comrades to act as assistant inspectors.

V. Department Headquarters are hereby established at Seattle.

By order of

M. M. HOLMES,  
 Department Commander.

J. P. CRAWFORD,  
 Assistant Adjutant-General.

## MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 30, 1891.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 SEATTLE, May 5, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDER, }  
 NO. 2. }

May 5, 1868, John A. Logan, then Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, in General Orders No. 11, designated May 30, 1868, "for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of Comrades who died in defense of their country, during the late Rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every village and hamlet churchyard in the land."

May 30, 1890, for the twenty-third time, the Grand Army of the Republic will be called upon to perform this sacred duty and the attention of Comrades is especially directed to the following order:

HEADQUARTERS GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 DETROIT MICH., April 24, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDER, }  
 NO. 13. }

Again Memorial Day will call us to assemble to pay our tribute of respect, love and veneration for the heroic dead. No sight so quickens the heart of the veteran as to see the children with their baskets of flowers at the graves of his Comrades. Why is it that we observe Memorial Day after the lapse of these many years? No legislature ordered it; no governor directed it, yet in every state of this Union it is religiously and reverently observed. It is a custom no other nation or people ever followed. All nations have honored their soldiery; they have welcomed home their victorious armies with many demonstrations of love and affection. Monuments have been reared to perpetuate their memories. It has been left to the American volunteer soldiery to inaugurate Memorial day.

Better than all monuments, better than all triumphal arches, better than all statues, is this beautiful tribute.

Better by far that this country have no granite shafts

than to forget this sacred day. It is a living, breathing patriotism, renewed each year. It is a monument rebuilt annually in the hearts of the people. Granite or bronze monuments are erected but once. It is by far the best lesson of loyalty that could be taught to the children who are so soon to be the men and women of the nation.

Better for the Nation that its children and youth remember this day than that it have armies as large as those of all Europe.

No war of disunion will come to this country so long as it observes Memorial Day, which, securely intrenched in the hearts of the people, will make the government safer than a myriad of forts bristling with cannon.

It matters little how large or small may be our standing army, if we give to the people the education this day teaches.

It is a day which the people themselves created. It is founded upon the best and holiest sentiments of our nature.

At Gettysburg, Lincoln said: "We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who gave up their lives that the Nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But in a larger sense we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground." And so each year, on the 30th of May, as we gather to dedicate anew the hallowed ground, where rest the brave—we, in a higher sense, cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow the ground—the brave men who, on a hundred battle fields, gave their lives that the Nation might survive, have consecrated it far beyond our power to add or detract.

It is for us to dedicate ourselves to the work of perpetuating the Union they preserved—the country they saved—to the end that their devotion, which ended with their lives, shall not have been in vain.

It is earnestly recommended that such Posts as cannot jointly attend Memorial Services at the cemeteries or other appropriate places, hold such services in their Post halls or other convenient places, and invite all patriotic citizens to join them.

By order of

R. A. ALGER,  
Commander-in-Chief.

GEO. H. HOPKINS, Adjutant-General.

By order of

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander.

J. P. CRAWFORD, Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 SEATTLE, June 27, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
 NO. 3. }

I. Comrade J. S. Watson, J. L. Reno Post No. 47, Spokane, is hereby appointed Senior Aide-de-Camp and Chief of Staff, vice Comrade R. G. O'Brien George H. Thomas Post No. 5, declined.

II. Post Commanders who have not already forwarded to these headquarters the name of a Comrade for Aide-de-Camp, are requested to do so at once.

III. General Order No. 12, Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, having been just received, the inspection therein ordered to be made during the months of April and May will be made in this Department on the first meeting in July, giving the condition of the Post up to and including June 30. The inspection should be carefully made, and all the blanks in the report (form H) properly filled, and also the amount of money in the Post fund and the value of all other property of the Post specified. These reports should be forwarded immediately after inspection to C. M. Barton, Inspector, Olympia.

IV. Upon the recommendation of the Department Inspector the following Comrades are hereby appointed Assistant Inspectors and charged with the execution of this order:

Stevens No. 1, Seattle ..... J. F. Sinclair, of No. 56, Ballard  
 Ellsworth No. 2, Vancouver..... J. H. Geoghegan, of No. 2, Vancouver  
 A. Sully No. 3, Dayton..... J. H. Paul, of No. 4, Walla Walla  
 A. Lincoln No. 4, Walla Walla..... A. J. Dexter, of No. 3, Dayton  
 George H. Thomas No. 5, Olympia..... J. J. Lemon, of No. 44, Tacoma  
 Custer No. 6, Tacoma..... J. H. Coffman, of No. 17, Puyallup  
 Phil Kearney No. 7, Toledo..... O. Hinson, of No. 49, Kelso  
 Sedgwick No. 8, Spokane ..... W. R. Griffith, of No. 23, Cheney  
 Meade No. 9, North Yakima..... J. L. Brown, of No. 11, Ellensburg  
 Morton No. 10, Snohomish ..... S. F. Street, of No. 1, Seattle  
 James Parsons No. 11, Ellensburg. M. N. Adams, of No. 9, North Yakima  
 McPherson No. 12, Kalama. .... D. P. Ballard, of No. 2, Vancouver  
 Garfield No. 13, Montesano..... R. G. O'Brien, of No. 5, Olympia  
 Philo Buckman No. 14, Sprague..... E. A. Routhe, of No. 8, Spokane  
 Farragut No. 15, Port Townsend.... P. W. Gallup, of No. 48, Port Angeles  
 J. A. Logan No. 16, Garfield..... Charles Lakin, of No. 22, Pomeroy  
 L. C. Ladd No. 17, Puyallup..... P. Foster, of No. 6, Tacoma  
 Larrabee No. 18, La Conner..... D. F. Decatur, of No. 35, Mt. Vernon  
 Nat Lyon No. 19, Colfax..... Art Colburn, of No. 29, Palouse City  
 Baker No. 20, Goldendale..... E. B. Wise, of No. 20, Goldendale  
 McDowell No. 22, Pomeroy ..... J. L. Dutton, of No. 16, Garfield  
 George Wright No. 23, Cheney... W. W. Hollingsworth, of No. 14, Sprague  
 Steadman No. 24, Whatcom..... W. L. Visscher, of No. 59, Fairhaven  
 Joe Hooker No. 25, Chehalis..... N. S. Buckner, of No. 50, Centralia  
 Major Anderson No. 29, Palouse City. Thomas Lomasson, of No. 19, Colfax  
 O. M. Mitchell No. 30, La Camas..... I. C. Pratt of No. 12, Kalama  
 John F. Miller No. 31, Seattle..... H. F. Garretson, of No. 6, Tacoma

Reynolds No. 32, Blaine.....	S. P. Huhges, of No 32, Blaine
E. M. Baker No. 33, Walla Walla.....	A. W. Phillips, of No. 40, Waitsburg
Lindsey No. 34, Pine City.....	John Stwan, of No. 34, Pine City
D. A. Russell No. 35, Mt. Vernon.....	J. F. Dwelley, of No. 18, La Conner
Seward No. 36, Juneau.....	J. C. Howard, of No. 36, Juneau
J. J. Lewis No. 37, Asotin.....	E. Knox, of No. 37, Asotin
F. P. Blair No. 38, Spangle.....	J. S. Watson, of No. 47, Spokane
R. L. McCook No. 39, Sherman.....	J. E. Williams, of No. 39, Sherman
Burnside No. 40, Waitsburg.....	C. C. Garrett, of No. 33, Walla Walla
J. B. Wyman No. 41, Rockford.....	Jas. Lucas, of No. 38, Spangle
Lynch No. 42, Lynden.....	Richard B. Keeler, of No. 24, Whatcom
W. S. Hancock No. 43, Cosmopolis.....	J. T. Burns, of No. 52, Hoquiam
P. H. Sheridan No. 44, Tacoma.....	G. N. Alexander, of No. 31, Seattle
H. A. Miles No. 45, Waterville.....	Wm. Dormer, of No. 45, Waterville
W. B. Hazen No. 46, Ritzville.....	Francis Boyle, of No. 14, Sprague
J. L. Reno No. 47, Spokane.....	C. W. Anderson, of No. 41, Rockford
Pacific No. 48, Port Angeles.....	Edward Rose, of No. 15, Port Townsend
Kit Carson No. 49, Kelso.....	J. H. Hockett, of No. 12, Kalama
T. P. Price No. 50, Centralia.....	W. H. Mossman, of No. 25, Chehalis
General Grover No. 51, Slaughter.....	O. C. McGray, of No. 1, Seattle
Washington No. 52, Hoquiam.....	F. R. Wright, of No. 43, Cosmopolis
Whitman No. 53, Pullman.....	Wm. A. Inman, of No. 19, Colfax
C. M. Reed No. 54, Orting.....	Geo. H. Boardman, of No. 6, Tacoma
T. T. Minor No. 55, Napavine.....	Geo. W. Rowan, of No. 25, Chehalis
Lieutenant Cushing No. 56, Ballard.....	A. M. Kent, of No 1, Seattle
H. G. Sickles No. 57, Vashon.....	L. R. Carpenter, of Vashon
C. M. Kellogg No. 58, Ferndale.....	J. W. Wells, of Ferndale
C. R. Apperson No. 59, Fairhaven.....	E. H. Smith, of Fairhaven
C. W. H. Bentley No. 60, Crescent.....	Joseph Thornbrue, of Crescent

V. In case any Inspector herein appointed is unable to inspect the Post assigned him at the first meeting in July, the Commander of such Post is hereby authorized and instructed to detail a Comrade to make such inspection and the report thereof. This action is necessary in order that the results of the inspection may be presented to the next National Encampment.

VI. The special attention of each Post Surgeon is called to the Surgeon's Quarterly Report (Form F). It is quite important that this report shall be promptly made, and in full. In cases where such report is not made on or before the first meeting in the succeeding quarter, the Post Commander is hereby authorized and instructed to detail some Comrade to make the same. The report should be sent to Dr. H. C. Bostwick, Medical Director, Tacoma.

VII. Since the Eighth Annual Encampment the following Posts have been mustered:

H. G. Sickles Post, No. 57, Vashon; June 14, 1890; Commander, G. H. Fuller.

C. M. Kellogg Post, No. 58, Ferndale; June 14, 1890; Commander, George M. Brown.

C. R. Apperson post, No. 59, Fairhaven; June 21, 1890; Commander, W. L. Visscher.

C. W. H. Bentley Post, No. 60, Crescent; June 24, 1890; Com-

mander, J. L. Reynolds.

VIII. Special attention of Post Commanders is called to General Orders No. 14, Headquarters of the Grand Army of the Republic.

IX. A copy of the Roster of Posts of the Department of Washington and Alaska is herewith transmitted. A second edition will be printed early in July. Department and Staff Officers and Post Commanders are requested to forward to these headquarters such corrections and additions as may be necessary to make the Roster complete, and make requisition for the number of copies desired.

X. A number of copies of Requisition for Supplies (Form No. 1) is herewith forwarded to each Post. Orders for supplies should be forwarded on these blanks and accompanied with the cash.

By order of

M. M. HOLMES,

Department Commander

J. P. CRAWFORD,

Assistant Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 SEATTLE, July 29, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
 NO. 4. }

I. A Roster of this Department, including all officers and members in good standing on the 30th day of September, 1890, is hereby ordered. The Roster of each Post will be preceded by a short history of the Post. A list of questions will be transmitted to each Post Commander for the purpose of aiding in making it up. It is desired that this History and Roster shall be full and complete, and it is suggested that each Post select some suitable person or committee to compile and arrange the same. To insure insertion it must be filed at these Headquarters on or before October 10, 1890.

II. At the Eighth Annual Encampment a committee consisting of Comrades O. B. Johnson, W. A. Inman and E. P. Galbraith was appointed to design a Department Badge. The committee has performed the work assigned and recommended a Badge, which has been approved by the Council of Administration and is hereby adopted as the Badge of the Department. These Badges will be furnished, like other supplies, at one dollar each. A representation of the Badge may be found hereon.

III. A specimen copy of the Membership Certificate has been forwarded to each Post Commander. These Certificates will be furnished, like other supplies, at fifty cents each. When desired, a frame will be furnished—three styles, at one dollar, one dollar and a half, and two dollars each, in addition to the Certificate.

IV. Frequent requests having been made for the same, Post Quartermaster's Receipt Books have been added to the list of supplies. They will be furnished at fifty cents each.

V. An inspection of the quarterly reports of the Post Quartermasters reveals the fact that in only one instance is mention made of the disbursements under the provisions of "An Act to Provide for the Relief of Indigent Union and Mexican War Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, and the Families of those Deceased or Indigent, and to defray Funeral Expenses," approved February 2, 1888. In the report of September 30, and thereafter, Post Quartermasters are requested to report the amount drawn on this fund. Such report can be made as a separate item in the "Report of Relief Fund" on the regular blanks.

VI. Under the provisions of "An Act to Provide for the Establishment and Maintenance of a Home for Honorably Discharged Union Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, and also Members of the State Militia, Disabled while in the Line of Duty, and who are *bona-fide* Citizens of this State," approved March 26, 1890, the Governor has appointed the following Trustees: G. H. Boardman, Tacoma, one year; M. M. Holmes, Seattle, two years; W. R. Dunbar, Goldendale, three years; J. F. McLean, Walla Walla, four years; A. S. Cole, Whatcom, five years. The Trustees met at Seattle, July 3, and organized, with G. H. Boardman, President, and M. M. Holmes, Secretary. The next meeting will be held at Tacoma, August 25, 1890. Any suggestions or proposals as to the location of the site, addressed to the Secretary, will be carefully considered.

VII. Attention is called to the law approved January 7, 1890, entitled "An Act to Prevent Unauthorized Persons From Using or Wearing the Badge of the Grand Army of the Republic of this State."

VIII. The Legislature of the State, in the laws above referred to, has shown a disposition to do honor and justice to those who fought for the preservation of the Union. No doubt such further legislation as may be needed, and the veterans of the state unite in asking for, will be as cheerfully given.

It is now more than a quarter of a century since the last gun of the rebellion was fired. Twenty-five years hence the roll-call will find few responses. Let us then close up the ranks, extend a helping hand to the weary and footsore who are unable to keep up with marching columns, and give a soldier's burial to those who fall by

the wayside and are forced to obey the final summons. In no way can this be so well done as by increasing the membership, improving the efficiency and extending the influence of the Grand Army of the Republic. To this end the Department Commander invites the active and cordial co-operation of every Comrade.

By order of

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander.

J. P. CRAWFORD,  
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }  
SEATTLE, October 21, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 5. }

I. Special attention is called to General Orders No. 3, from Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic. Several important amendments to the Rules and Regulations are therein contained, and should be carefully noted.

II. The new copy of the old Ritual, which goes into effect January 1, 1891, will be forwarded to each Post as soon as received from National Headquarters. At the last meeting in December, the copies of the Ritual now in use should be returned to Department headquarters.

III. An inspection of each Post will be held at the last meeting in December, showing its condition at the close of the year. The Department Inspector will recommend the assignment of Assistant Inspectors to this duty.

IV. Senior Vice-Department-Commander A. J. Smith, having applied for the same, is hereby granted leave of absence until April 22, 1891.

V. The findings and sentence of the court martial in the case of Reuben K. Robb, late Quartermaster Farragut Post No. 15, have been approved, and in accordance therewith said Reuben K. Robb is dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

VI. The following Posts have been mustered by E. M. Bloomer, Chief Mustering Officer:

James J. Andrews Post, No. 61, Oaksdale; August 9, 1890.

Gen. Milroy Post, No. 62, Latah; August 16, 1890.

VII. At the Seventh Annual Encampment, held at Spokane, the following was unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the officers of this Department be instructed to take such steps as may seem to them necessary to secure a Soldiers' Home, by State aid or otherwise.

The Constitutional Convention, of which S. G. Cosgrove, Department Commander elected at said Encampment, was a member, placed the following section in the Constitution of the State:

ARTICLE X. SECTION 3. The Legislature shall provide by law for the maintenance of a Soldiers' Home for honorably discharged Union soldiers, sailors, marines and members of the State militia, disabled while in the line of duty, and who are bona-fide citizens of the State.

In obedience to this mandate of the Constitution, and in accord with the almost universal sentiment of the veterans of the State, a bill for a Soldiers' Home, introduced in the Legislature by Senator J. R. Kinnear, passed both houses by large majorities, and was approved by Governor Ferry, on the 26th day of March, 1890, and went into effect June 26, 1890.

This law is in accord with the patriotic sentiment of the country. According to the report of General W. W. Averill, submitted to Congress January 28, 1889, there were at that time fourteen State Homes maintained wholly or in part from the public treasury in actual operation, as follows:

STATE.	TOWN.	ACRES.	MEMBERS.
California .....	Yountville .....	912.....	211
Nebraska .....	Grand Island.....	640.....	125
Iowa .....	Marshalltown .....	128.....	259
Illinois.....	Quincy.....	142.....	841
Wisconsin .....	Waupacca .....	78.....	71
Minnesota .....	Minnehaha Falls .....	51.....	68
Michigan .....	Grand Rapids.....	132.....	446
Ohio .....	Sandusky .....	90.....	134
Pennsylvania .....	Erie .....	107.....	247
New York .....	Albany .....	360.....	1043
New Jersey .....	Kearney .....	17.....	276
Connecticut .....	Noroton.....	14.....	169
Vermont.....	Bennington .....	200.....	41
Massachusetts .....	Chelsea .....	4.....	147

Since that time, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and several other States have taken steps in the same direction. The Congress of the United States, recognizing and approving the creation of State Homes, by an act approved August 27, 1888, appropriated the sum of one hundred dollars per annum to each member of a State home. This is more than half the cost of maintenance.

The Board of Trustees of the Washington Soldiers' Home has held three meetings and examined several localities, and is now awaiting the report of a civil engineer, who has been employed to examine and report upon certain proposed sites, especially as to the quality and quantity of water and the cost of supplying same, facilities for and cost of sewerage and grading, etc. The next

meeting will be held at Seattle, November 6.

VIII. Although there has been a large increase of membership during the past year, still, on account of the great immigration and other causes, a large number of veterans have not yet become members of our order here. A special effort should be made to bring them in. To this end it is recommended that each Commander prepare a list of all Union soldiers and sailors within his knowledge, eligible to membership and within the jurisdiction of his Post, and read the same at the first Post meeting after the receipt hereof, asking those present to add to the list. Then let one or more Comrades be detailed to visit each veteran on the list, and solicit him to join our ranks, supplying each one so detailed with blank applications. If a determined effort is made in this direction, and each Comrade takes an interest in the matter, nearly every Post can double its membership before the next Encampment.

IX. Public duties of an exacting nature have prevented the Department Commander from giving that attention to Department work that his inclination prompts and the order has a right to expect, especially in the visitation of Posts. Between the middle of January, however, and the meeting of the next Encampment, he intends to make the *grand rounds*, and visit every Post in the Department, and, during that time, expects to give his undivided attention to the interests of the organization.

By order of

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander.

J. P. CRAWFORD,  
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
SEATTLE, November 20, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDERS }  
NO. 6. }

I. In accordance with the Rules and Regulations, the Post officers (the Adjutant, Sergeant-Major and Quartermaster-Sergeant, excepted) shall be elected at the first stated meeting in December, by ballot—unless a ballot be dispensed with by unanimous consent—and they shall be installed into their respective offices at the first stated meeting in January following, unless the installation be conducted publicly, when a special meeting may be called for that purpose.

II. The Delegates and alternates to the Department Encampment, to be held at Puyallup, on the fourth Wednesday of April, 1891, shall be elected at the same time and in the same manner as

the Post officers; they shall be furnished with credentials signed by the Post Commander and Post Adjutant, a copy of which must be immediately forwarded to Department Headquarters. The number of Representatives to which each Post is entitled is based upon the reports for the quarter ending September 30, and is as follows:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Post No.</i>	<i>Reps.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Post No.</i>	<i>Reps.</i>
Stevens .....	1 .....	14	D. A. Russell .....	35 .....	2
Ellsworth .....	2 .....	2	W. H. Seward .....	36 .....	1
A. Sully .....	3 .....	2	J. J. Lewis .....	37 .....	1
A. Lincoln .....	4 .....	3	F. P. Blair .....	38 .....	1
Geo. H. Thomas .....	5 .....	3	R. L. McCook .....	39 .....	1
Custer .....	6 .....	13	Burnside .....	40 .....	1
Phil. Kearney .....	7 .....	1	J. B. Wyman .....	41 .....	1
Sedgwick .....	8 .....	5	Lynch .....	42 .....	1
Meade .....	9 .....	2	W. S. Hancock .....	43 .....	1
Morton .....	10 .....	1	P. H. Sheridan .....	44 .....	3
Jas. Parsons .....	11 .....	2	H. A. Miles .....	45 .....	1
McPherson .....	12 .....	1	W. B. Hazen .....	46 .....	1
Garfield .....	13 .....	1	Gen. J. L. Reno .....	47 .....	6
Philo Buckman .....	14 .....	1	Pacific .....	48 .....	1
Farragut .....	15 .....	2	Kit Carson .....	49 .....	1
J. A. Logan .....	16 .....	1	T. P. Price .....	50 .....	2
L. C. Ladd .....	17 .....	2	Gen. Grover .....	51 .....	1
Larrabee .....	18 .....	1	Washington .....	52 .....	1
N. Lyon .....	19 .....	2	Whitman .....	53 .....	1
Baker .....	20 .....	1	C. M. Reed .....	54 .....	1
McDowell .....	22 .....	3	T. T. Minor .....	55 .....	1
Gen. Geo. Wright .....	23 .....	1	Lieut. Cushing .....	56 .....	1
Jas. B. Steadman .....	24 .....	2	H. G. Sickles .....	57 .....	1
Joe Hooker .....	25 .....	1	C. M. Kellogg .....	58 .....	1
Major Anderson .....	29 .....	2	C. R. Apperson .....	59 .....	2
O. M. Mitchell .....	30 .....	1	C. W. H. Bentley .....	60 .....	1
J. F. Miller .....	31 .....	4	Jas. J. Anderson .....	61 .....	1
Reynolds .....	32 .....	2	Gen. Milroy .....	62 .....	1
E. M. Baker .....	33 .....	1	George Crook .....	63 .....	1
Lindsay .....	34 .....	1			

III. In addition to Representatives, the following are entitled to seats in the Department Encampment: Department officers, Past Department Commanders, Council of Administration, and the following members of the Department Staff: Assistant Adjutant-General, Assistant Quartermaster-General, Inspector, Judge Advocate and Chief Mustering Officer; also Post Commanders and Past Post Commanders.

IV. The Post Commander is responsible for prompt returns from his Post; he should see that the books and papers are always

well kept, and in condition for making the summary required at the close of each quarter.

V. In selecting Comrades for office, the object sought is not only to honor the individual, but also to secure efficient officers, those upon whom the Post may rely for good discipline and prompt attention to all matters that may tend to advance the welfare of the Post and of our Order. Special care should be taken in the election of the Commander, as upon him, in a large measure, depends the prosperity of the Post.

VI. The Soldiers' Home has been located at Orting. The site contains about 180 acres of land, donated by the citizens of Orting. It is expected that the Home will be ready for occupancy in ninety days after the deed to the land is approved by the Attorney-General.

VII. It is customary, in some of the older States, for an individual, a Post, a Corps, or a Camp, to furnish, in whole or in part, a room of the Home, and such room is known by the name of the person, Post, Corps or Camp so furnishing. It is a beautiful custom, and one well worthy of imitation in this new and progressive State. Applications for such purpose will be gladly received by the Department Commander, and filed with the Trustees of the Home.

VIII. The following Post has been mustered: Geo Crook, No. 63. at Aberdeen, November 1, 1890.

By order of

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander

J. P. CRAWFORD,  
Assistant Adjutant-General.

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HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
SEATTLE, December 4, 1890. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 7. }

I. In accordance with General Orders No. 6, Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, an inspection of each Post will be held at the last meeting in December. The report of the Inspector should show the condition of the Post at the close of the present year, and should be made full and accurate. The following named Comrades are charged with the performance of this duty:

Stevens No. 1, Seattle.....Geo. H. Boardman, Tacoma  
Ellsworth No. 2, Vancouver.....Joseph Bone, Vancouver  
A. Sully No. 3, Dayton.....W. C. Bishop, Dayton

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A. Lincoln No. 4, Walla Walla.....	H. B. Berth, Walla Walla
Geo. H. Thomas No. 5, Olympia.....	C. M. Barton, Olympia
Custer No. 6, Tacoma.....	S. F. Street, Seattle
Phil. Kearney No. 7, Toledo.....	E. C. B. Taylor, Toledo
Sedgwick No. 8, Spokane.....	E. B. Dean, Spokane
Meade No. 9, North Yakima.....	A. J. Lewis, North Yakima
Morton No. 10, Snohomish.....	Fred Toss, Snohomish
Jas. Parsons No. 11, Ellensburg.....	A. S. Burbank, Ellensburg
McPherson No. 12, Kalama.....	R. J. Jones, Kalama
Garfield No. 13, Montesano.....	T. D. Schofield, Montesano
Philo Buckman No. 14, Sprague.....	Geo. W. Murphy, Sprague
Farragut No. 15, Pt. Townsend.....	A. D. Attridge, Pt. Townsend
J. A. Logan No. 16, Garfield.....	Wm. Dallas, Garfield
L. C. Ladd No. 17, Puyallup.....	J. M. Ferris, Tacoma
Larrabee No. 18, La Conner.....	R. H. Ball, La Conner
N. Lyon No. 19, Colfax.....	W. A. Inman, Colfax
Baker No. 20, Goldendale.....	J. A. Stout, Goldendale
McDowell No. 22, Pomeroy.....	Theo. Ryan, Pomeroy
Geo. Wright No. 23, Cheney.....	Theo. Reed, Spokane
Jas B. Steadman No. 24, Whatcom.....	Elery Rogers, Whatcom
Joe Hooker No. 25, Chehalis.....	J. A. Taylor, Chehalis
Maj. Anderson No. 29, Palouse.....	V. H. Hughes, Palouse
O. M. Mitchell No. 30, La Camas.....	W. T. Oakley, La Camas
John F. Miller No. 31, Seattle.....	J. F. Sinclair, Ballard
Reynolds No. 32, Blaine.....	A. L. Smith, Blaine
E. M. Baker No. 33, Walla Walla.....	J. H. Paul, Walla Walla
Lindsey No. 34, Pine City.....	J. W. Richardson, Pine City
D. A. Russell No. 35, Mt. Vernon.....	R. W. Williams, Mt. Vernon
W. H. Seward No. 36, Juneau.....	J. C. Howard, Juneau
J. J. Lewis No. 37, Asotin.....	Frank Huber, Asotin
F. P. Blair No. 38, Spangle.....	E. M. Downing, Spangle
R. L. McCook No. 39, Sherman.....	H. Winhoff, Wilbur
Burnside No. 40, Waitsburg.....	J. C. Arnold, Waitsburg
J. B. Wyman No. 41, Rockford.....	E. M. Bloomer, Spokane
Lynch No. 42, Lynden.....	Frank O'Neil, Lynden
W. S. Hancock No. 43, Cosmopolis.....	S. W. Smith, Cosmopolis
Phil. H. Sheridan No. 44, Tacoma.....	J. W. Langley, Seattle
H. A. Miles No. 45, Waterville.....	A. Woodin, Waterville
W. B. Hazen No. 46, Ritzville.....	J. S. Watson, Spokane
Gen. J. L. Reno No. 47, Spokane.....	E. P. Galbraith, Spokane
Pacific No. 48, Port Angeles.....	J. W. Stewart, Port Angeles
Kit Carson No. 49, Kelso.....	W. D. Close, Kalama
T. P. Price No. 50, Centralia.....	T. B. Rhodes, Centralia
Gen. Grover No. 51, Slaughter.....	O. C. McGray, Seattle
Washington No. 52, Hoquiam.....	Geo. W. France, Hoquiam

Whitman No. 53, Pullman.....	M. F. Taylor, Pullman
C. M. Reed No. 54, Orting.....	E. T. Curtis, Puyallup
T. T. Minor No. 55, Napavine.....	J. H. Mallory, Napavine
Lieut. Cushing No. 56, Ballard.....	Jas. Alexander, Seattle
H. G. Sickles No. 57, Chautauqua.....	Caleb Barton, Chautauqua
C. M. Kellogg No. 58, Ferndale.....	A. W. Tiffany, Ferndale
C. R. Apperson No. 59, Fairhaven.....	Z. T. Christopher, Fairhaven
C. W. H. Bentley No. 60 Crescent.....	Samuel Hammond, Crescent
Jas. J. Andrews No. 61, Oaksdale.....	L. Gilstrap, Oaksdale
Gen. Milroy No. 62, Latah.....	David Doty, Latah
Geo. Crook No. 63, Aberdeen.....	W. E. Keyes, Aberdeen

II. In case any Assistant Inspector shall fail to perform the duties herein assigned to him, the Commander of the Post, or the senior officer present at the last meeting in December, will detail some Comrade to make the inspection and report thereof.

III. In addition to the information required in the report (Form H) the Assistant Inspector will ascertain if the Post History and Roster has been forwarded, according to General Orders No. 4.

IV. The attention of each Post Commander is called to the necessity of forwarding the reports of the Adjutant, Quartermaster and Surgeon immediately after the first of January. While it is the duty of these officers to prepare their respective reports and present them to him to be forwarded, it is also the duty of the Commander to see that it is done; and in case any officer should fail to prepare his report at the proper time, the Commander should detail some other Comrade to perform the duty.

V. The representation of this Department in the Twenty-fifth National Encampment, to be held at Detroit, will depend upon the number in good standing on the 31st of December, 1890. It will require an increase of 180 to secure an additional representative, and it is hoped that each Post will endeavor to furnish its pro rata. All members mustered before the 1st of January will have their names added to the new Department Roster.

VI. Wherever practicable, it is recommended that the installation of officers be public, and the Woman's Relief Corps and the Sons of Veterans be invited to join in the same. The Chief Mustering Officer, a Department officer or member of the official Staff, will act as Installing Officer, or a special Mustering officer will be appointed on the recommendation of any Post. A report of the installation will be made immediately after the same to Department Headquarters.

VII. Comrades of the Grand Army are again reminded that less than half the Union Veterans within the jurisdiction of this

Department are now members of our Order. Let the "assembly" be called, the "long roll" sounded and all "rally on the colors."

By order of

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander.

J. P. CRAWFORD,  
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
SEATTLE, February 14, 1891. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
NO. 8. }

I. The Commander congratulates the Comrades upon the flourishing condition of the Order in this Department. This is true all along the line, except in one or two Posts located in communities where comrades are few and widely scattered. This prosperity is evidenced in many ways, and may be well illustrated by figures from the quarterly reports. The number in good standing March 31, 1890, was 1897; June 30, 1890, 2215; October 31, 1890, 2321; December 31, 1890, 2512. Many Posts have secured halls of their own and during the time named the value of the Post property has increased from \$4392.47 to \$11,455.83. Let the good work go on.

II. Wallace Post, No. 64, at Springdale, was mustered January 24, 1891, by E. M. Bloomer, C. M. O.

III. The Ninth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., will be held at Puyallup, commencing Wednesday, April 22, 1891, at 11 o'clock, A. M. The Sixth Annual Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, and the Second Annual Division Encampment of the Sons of Veterans will be held at the same time and place. Further announcements in this connection will be made hereafter.

IV. The contract for the erection of a main building and two cottages for the Washington Soldiers' Home, near Orting; according to the plans and specifications prepared by W. A. Ritchie, architect, has been let to Vizey & Hanlan, of Orting, for the sum of \$10,002, and the contract for the heating and plumbing to the Z. C. Miles Co., of Seattle, for \$2623. The buildings are to be completed within ninety days after the deeds to the land have been formally approved by the Attorney-General.

In response to the invitation extended in General Orders No. 6, applications have been received to furnish a room in the Home from the following: Mrs. Jennie S. Holmes, of Seattle; Mr. A. M. Brookes, of Seattle; A. Lincoln Relief Corps, No. 5, of Walla

Walla, and Stevens Relief Corps, No, 1, of Seattle. The applications have been accepted by the Trustees, and these and future donors will be given choice of rooms in the order of filing applications. It is understood that this furnishing is to be in addition to the ordinary furniture provided by the State.

V. The new rituals and cards, the National and Department countersigns, the password and countersign to enter Camps of the Sons of Veterans, the correction of the hall diagram in the ritual, and the G. A. R. and S. of V. keys, have been forwarded to each Post Commander, so far as the list of officers for 1891 have been received. It is hoped that the officers elect, especially the Post Commander and Officer of the Day, will study up the secret work from the key and cipher, so that work under the new ritual may be properly performed. Under this ritual, which is the old ritual re-adopted, the Department Commander confidently expects a renewed interest in the Post-room. To secure this, however, the officers must perform their work promptly and intelligently. As a means of creating a more general public interest, it is recommended that one or more Camp-fires be held, during the winter and spring, in which the Woman's Relief Corps and the Sons of Veterans be solicited to participate, and which other friends be invited to attend.

VI. In addition to the supplies mentioned in the blank requisitions the Department Headquarters can supply the following.

Certificate of Membership.....	\$ 50
Frame for same.....	1 00
Quartermaster's Receipt Book.....	50
Warrant on County Treasurer, under Soldier's Relief Act.....	75
Department Badge.....	1 00

A sample of the Certificate of membership will be sent to each Post Commander, with a request to place the same in the Post-room for the inspection of the comrades.

The Blue Book has been revised and a supply of the same is expected soon. It is recommended that each Post make a requisition for a copy.

VII. The proceedings, findings and sentence of the Post Court Martial in the case of L. D. Pangborn, of Lynch Post, No. 42, and the Post Court Martial in the case of John Dean, of Kit Carson Post, No. 49, are approved, and, in accordance therewith, said L. D. Pangborn and John Dean are dishonorably discharged from the Grand Army of the Republic.

VIII. In view of the large and rapidly-increasing number of appeals for assistance being made directly upon the Post by individuals and societies from all parts of the country, by means of circulars and otherwise, and in order that charitable contributions

may be protected against imposition and be applied as designed, the Commander-in-Chief suggests that in future no written or printed appeal, request or solicitation for pecuniary aid, by the sale of tickets or otherwise, from individuals or Posts outside the Departmental limits of origin, be considered by Posts unless sent them through the regular official channels, with the favorable endorsement of the Post and Department Commander, within whose jurisdiction the application originates, and that of the Commander-in-Chief.

By order of  
M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander.

J. P. CRAWFORD,  
Assistant Adjutant-General.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
SEATTLE, April 16, 1891. }

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
NO. 9. }

I. The Ninth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Washington and Alaska, the Sixth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Washington, and the Second Annual Encampment of the Sons of Veterans, Division of Washington, will be held at Puyallup, commencing Wednesday, April 22, 1891.

II. The Northern Pacific Railroad, the Oregon and Washington Territory Railroad, the Seattle, Lake Shore and Eastern Railroad, the Puget Sound Steamboat Association (including the Union Pacific System, Puget Sound and Alaska Steamship Co., Canadian Pacific Navigation Co., Olympia Steam Navigation Co., Pacific Navigation Co., S. Wiley S. S. Co., Oregon Improvement Co., Brown's Wharf and Navigation Co., Steamer Bailey Gatzert, and Seattle Navigation Co.), will sell round-trip tickets at one and 1-5 fare. This applies to the three organizations named in Paragraph I. The purchaser will obtain from the railroad Station Agent a ticket to Puyallup, paying one full fare therefor, and obtain from the ticket agent a receipt showing the amount of same; this receipt, upon being endorsed by the Assistant Quartermaster-General of the Department, at Puyallup, will entitle the holder to obtain a return ticket from the railroad ticket agent at Puyallup at one-fifth regular fare. The purchaser must obtain this receipt at the starting point, otherwise the reduction will not be made

for return ticket. The railroad tickets are good until the 27th of April; steamboat tickets until April 24th. The Union Pacific Railroad declined to make any reduction.

III. The places of meeting will be as follows:

Encampment Grand Army of the Republic, at Puyallup Opera House.

Encampment Sons of Veterans, at Miller's Opera House.

Convention Woman's Relief Corps, at G. A. R. Hall.

Department Headquarters, G. A. R., will be at the First National Bank building, ground floor.

General Grand Army Headquarters will be at the Puyallup Opera House building, ground floor.

IV. The Headquarters of the Reception Committee will be on the ground floor of the Puyallup Opera House. Application for quarters should be made to Dr. E. T. Curtiss, Chairman.

V. L. C. Ladd Post, No. 17, and the citizens of Puyallup generally will give all who may come a warm reception and a hearty welcome.

VI. The following order of proceedings will be observed unless otherwise determined by the Encampment:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22.

- 9 A. M. Meeting of Council of Administration.
- 11 A. M. Opening of the Encampment.
- 2 P. M. Encampment.
- 8 P. M. Encampment.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23.

- 9 A. M. Encampment.
- 11 A. M. Parade.
- 2 P. M. Encampment.
- 3 P. M. Election of Officers.
- 8 P. M. Camp Fire.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24.

- 10 A. M. Encampment.
- 11 A. M. Installation of Officers.
- 12 M. Adjournment.
- 2 P. M. Excursion.
- 3 P. M. Competitive Drill of National Guards.
- 9 P. M. Ball.

VII. The following details for the Encampment are announced:

Acting Assistant Adjutants-General, R. G. Dill, Stevens Post, No 1; Geo. Haskins, Sheridan Post, No. 44.

Acting Assistant Quartermasters-General, Geo. H. Boardman, Custer Post, No. 6; Byron Phelps, Miller Post, No. 31.

Officer of the Day, James Alexander, Stevens Post No. 1.

Officer of the Guard, T. J. Plummer, L. C. Ladd Post, No. 17.  
 Inner Guard, Charles West, L. C. Ladd Post, No. 17.  
 Outer Guard, D. Igo, L. C. Ladd Post, No. 17.  
 Orderlies, A. E. Barnes, L. C. Ladd Post, No. 17; W. A. Cover,  
 Stevens Post, No. 1.

VIII. From present indications, the coming Encampment will be the largest yet held in the State, both of Representatives, and other Comrades. The Department Commander earnestly requests that Comrades entitled to seats be present at the opening of the Encampment on Wednesday, and other Comrades at the parade on Thursday.

The attendance of the members of the Woman's Relief Corps and the Sons of Veterans also promises to be large.

Posts are requested to appear at the parade as organizations, as far as possible,

IX. Aides-de-Camp are requested to report to J. S. Watson, Chief of Staff, at Department Headquarters, upon their arrival at Puyallup. Badges to indicate their rank, (silver leaf on black border) may be obtained from the Assistant Quartermaster-General.

X. Special attention is called to General Orders No. 20, Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, in relation to badges, also the letter of the Commander-in-Chief, referring to the duties of Post officers. The instructions therein contained should be complied with. Badges, Buttons and Rank Straps can be obtained from the Assistant Quartermaster-General at Puyallup, upon the proper requisition.

XI. The following Posts have been mustered.

W. T. Sherman Post, No. 65, at Medical Lake, March 12, 1891,  
 by E. M. Bloomer, C. M. O.

Admiral Porter Post, No 66, at Ferry, March 31, 1891, by Ar-  
 thur Bridges, S. M. O.

B. F. Stephenson Post, No. 67, at Sumas City, April 10, 1891,  
 by Joe Pym, S. M. O.

Gen. Emory Post, No. 68, at Anacortes, April 11, 1891, by M.  
 M. Holmes, Department Commander.

By order of

M. M. HOLMES,

Department Commander.

J. P. CRAWFORD,  
 Assistant Adjutant-General.

## CIRCULARS.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 SEATTLE, May 10, 1890. }

CIRCULAR }  
 NO. 1. }

I. Probably not over one-third of the soldiers and sailors who fought for the preservation of the Union, now living in this State, belong to the Grand Army in this Department. Many retain their membership in eastern Posts, while others have never joined. All those residing in this Department, entitled to membership, should be invited to join our ranks. To this end it is recommended that a special effort be made to recruit on Memorial Day, and, whenever requested, a dispensation will be granted to muster on that day.

II. An elegant membership certificate is furnished through Headquarters, at fifty cents each. A sample of the same will be sent to each Post.

M. M. HOLMES,  
 Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 SEATTLE, June 27, 1891. }

CIRCULAR }  
 NO. 2. }

The Twenty-fourth annual Encampment will convene at Boston, Tuesday, August 12, 1890. The Headquarters car will leave Seattle on the morning of August 3. Comrades desiring to go at that time will please notify these Headquarters at once, in order that proper arrangements can be made. In such notice it should be stated whether a berth is desired in a Pullman or Tourist car, and whether it is desired to secure accommodations at Boston.

Official notice has not yet been received as to the rates of fare, but the same will probably be one-half regular rates, and will include not only the representatives to the Encampment, but other Comrades and their families.

M. M. HOLMES,  
 Department Commander

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 SEATTLE, July 15, 1890. }

CIRCULAR }  
 NO. 3. }

The Twenty-fourth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, at Boston, opens with the Grand Parade on Tuesday, August 12, 1890.

The headquarters of this Department will be at Parlor 96, Hotel Brunswick, where Comrades are requested to register on their arrival.

The fare from Seattle to Boston and return is \$110.50, good on return until September 30. The rate from other points has not yet been obtained.

The headquarters car will leave Seattle on the regular train, over the Northern Pacific, on the morning of August 3, and will be attached to the train of the California and Oregon delegations. It is hoped that all Comrades intending to go will make their calculations to go on this train, and notify these headquarters at once.

The National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will meet at Boston at the same time, and the rates quoted apply to members of that organization as well as to the G. A. R.

M. M. HOLMES,  
 Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }  
 SEATTLE, July 29, 1890. }

CIRCULAR }  
 NO. 4. }

A special Pullman sleeper, containing the Washington delegation to the G. A. R. Encampment and W. R. C. Convention at Boston, will leave Seattle Sunday, August 3, at 2 P. M. At Puyallup this car will be attached to the special train of the California Delegation, and will run over the Northern Pacific to St. Paul, thence continue on to Detroit, where General Alger and Staff will join the party.

Round-trip tickets from all stations on the Northern Pacific in this state to St. Paul, good for six months, \$80; round-trip tickets from St. Paul to Boston, good until September 30, \$30.05, making a total of \$110.05 for the round trip; berth in sleeper extra.

The train will run as a special, and to insure stoppage at the different stations, and accommodations in the sleeper, the Depart-

ment Commander must be notified on or before August 2, at Seattle, or by wire at Puyallup on or before 2 P. M. August 3.

Department Headquarters at Boston: Parlor 96, Hotel Brunswick.

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander

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HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
SEATTLE, October 1, 1890. }

CIRCULAR }  
NO. 5. }

The managers of the Northwestern Industrial Exposition, at Spokane, have set apart Wednesday, October 8, as Grand Army Day, and are making a special effort to have that day a notable one, creditable alike to the Exposition and Grand Army, in whose honor it is.

The Department Commander has accepted an invitation to be present, and will leave Seattle for Spokane, Tuesday, October 7, at 2 P. M., going over the Northern Pacific, and would be pleased to have all staff and other officers and Comrades that can possibly do so, to attend.

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander.

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HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
SEATTLE, October 2, 1890. }

CIRCULAR }  
NO. 6. }

The list of questions referred to in General Orders No. 4, is herewith transmitted. It is desired that each Post furnish its history written out in full, but in cases where that is not done, the matter will be arranged at these Headquarters from the answers to the questions on the printed list. The Roster can be written on Form A, Adjutant's report, blanks for which are herewith furnished. Let the Muster roll contain the Comrades in good standing September 30, 1890, with the names of those suspended on the back of blank, under the head "Suspended."

The Department Commander desires to impress upon each Post the importance of making this Roster full, complete and accurate. The Roster and History should reach these Headquarters on or before October 31, 1890.

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
SEATTLE, November 12, 1890. }

CIRCULAR }  
NO. 7. }

The following extract from Circular Letter No. 2, Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, is heartily commended to the attention and consideration of the officers and members of this Department:

The thought seemed to be in every mind, and the words on every lip, that the Grand Army of the Republic should be made to round up one-half million Comrades this year. The inspiration of this thought was not mere pride in numbers, but the advantage of membership to individual character, and the advantage of numbers in increasing the potency of the Order in its lofty work of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. It is on the ground of individual and public benefit that it becomes our duty to increase our membership. There are yet several hundred thousand worthy veterans who served bravely with us on land or sea, not yet with us in this organization. If we do not bring in fifty thousand or more of them this year the fault will be our own. This means an addition of about ten to every hundred. Who doubts but this can be easily done? What Comrade will fail to do his part? What Post will hold back?

It is hoped that every Post Commander will make a special effort to muster recruits, between now and the first of January. It is earnestly recommended that a special effort be made to have a large attendance of present members, and a great accession of recruits at the time of the annual election, which occurs at the first regular meeting in December.

It is recommended that a copy of this circular and of the leaflet, "Why Should I Join the Grand Army of the Republic?" herewith transmitted, be handed to every Union veteran in your vicinity not now a member of the Grand Army.

Let us close up the ranks in the name of that glorious trinity, which is the symbol of our Comradeship—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

Several Posts have failed to furnish the History and Roster called for in General Orders No. 4, and Circular No. 6. They must

be forwarded at once to secure insertion in the Roster, which is intended to contain the name of every Comrade in the Department.

M. M. HOLMES,  
Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
SEATTLE, March 7, 1891. }

CIRCULAR }  
No. 8. }

The Department Commander expects to visit Posts as follows:

Monday, March 16, Philo Buckman Post, No. 14, Sprague.  
Tuesday, March 17, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane;  
Wednesday, March 18, Gen. Milroy Post, No. 62, Latah;  
Thursday, March 19, J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane;  
Friday, March 20, George Wright Post, No. 23, Cheney;  
Saturday, March 21, F. P. Blair Post, No. 38, Spangle;  
Monday, March 23, J. J. Andrews Post, No. 61, Oaksdale;  
Tuesday, March 24, J. A. Logan Post; No. 16, Garfield;  
Wednesday, March 25, N. Lyon Post, No. 19, Colfax;  
Thursday, March 26,  
Friday, March 27,  
Saturday March 28,  
Monday, March 30, Ellsworth Post, No. 2, Vancouver;  
Tuesday, March 31;  
Wednesday, April 1, McPherson Post, No. 12, Kalama;  
Thursday, April 2, Kit Carson Post, No. 49, Kelso;  
Friday, April 3, 2 P. M., Joe Hooker Post, No. 25, Chehalis;  
Friday, April 3, 7:30 P. M., P. Price Post, No. 50, Centralia;  
Saturday, April 4, Custer Post, No. 6, Tacoma;  
Monday, April 6, Morton Post, No. 10, Snohomish;  
Tuesday, April 7, Russell Post, No. 35, Mt. Vernon;  
Wednesday, April 8, C. R. Apperson Post, No. 59, Fairhaven;  
Thursday, April 9, J. B. Steadman Post, No. 24, Whatcom;  
Friday, April 10, C. M. Kellogg Post, No. 58, Ferndale;  
Saturday, April 11, Anacortes;  
Monday, April 13, Farragut Post, No. 15, Port Townsend;  
Tuesday, April 14,  
Wednesday, April 15, Sheridan Post, No. 44, Tacoma.

As many of these dates are not at the time of the regular meetings, Post Commanders are requested to call special meetings, and have the same simply a Post Meeting or a Camp-fire, as may be preferred.

Department Officers and members of the Department Staff are cordially invited to attend as many of these meetings as may be convenient.

The Department Commander will be accompanied by Mrs. Jennie S. Holmes, Assistant National Inspector of the Woman's Relief Corps.

In F., C. and L.

M. M. HOLMES,

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 SEATTLE, March 11, 1891. }

CIRCULAR }  
 No. 9. }

The Department Roster is in the hands of the printer, and will be issued soon. An Appendix will be added, containing the names of those admitted during the first quarter of 1891, provided the Adjutant's and Quartermasters' returns are received before April 1, 1891. Post officers are urged to make a special effort for recruits before April 1, so that the names may appear in the Roster.

The Department Encampment at Puyallup promises to be largely attended. The Northern Pacific will give one and one-fifth rates for the round trip, and other lines will probably do the same, of which notice will be given.

In F., C. and L.,

M. M. HOLMES,

Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }  
 SEATTLE, March 21, 1891 }

CIRCULAR }  
 No. 10. }

In accordance with a resolution of the 24th National Encampment, and in compliance with General Orders No. 18, from National Headquarters, the quarter-centennial of the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic will be celebrated on the evening of April 6, 1891, by each Post of this Department with a public commemorative meeting, in which the Sons of Veterans and Woman's Relief Corps should be requested to take part, and school children and citizens generally be invited to attend.

The details of this meeting are left with each Post to arrange, but they should be of an impressive character so as to fitly com-

memorate the heroic services and patriotic valor of our fallen Comrades, and truly represent the noble principles and lofty purposes of our glorious order, on whose rolls are borne the names of half a million of the men who fought, on land and on sea, for the defense of the flag, maintained the authority of the Constitution, and preserved the Union of the States.

In addition to martial music and patriotic speech, it is recommended that a Post Historian be selected to prepare and read a history of the Post, and that such further exercises, suitable to the occasion, be had as the Post may be able to arrange by the aid of its own members, or others whom it may invite to participate.

It is hoped that a special effort will be made, so that this Silver Anniversary may be a memorable one. Before the Golden one arrives a final muster-out will have been granted to the great majority.

The Post-Adjutants will make a full report of the meetings to these Headquarters.

In F., C. and L.

M. M. HOLMES,

Department Commander.



The first part of the book is devoted to a general history of the United States from its discovery to the present time. It is written in a simple and plain style, and is intended for the use of schools and families.

The second part of the book is devoted to a detailed history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time. It is written in a more elaborate style, and is intended for the use of libraries and those who wish to read more fully.

The third part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the second part, but with more detail and interest.

The fourth part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the third part, but with more detail and interest.

The fifth part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the fourth part, but with more detail and interest.

The sixth part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the fifth part, but with more detail and interest.

The seventh part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the sixth part, but with more detail and interest.

The eighth part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the seventh part, but with more detail and interest.

The ninth part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the eighth part, but with more detail and interest.

The tenth part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the ninth part, but with more detail and interest.

The eleventh part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the tenth part, but with more detail and interest.

The twelfth part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the eleventh part, but with more detail and interest.

The thirteenth part of the book is devoted to a history of the United States from the year 1776 to the present time, written in a style similar to the twelfth part, but with more detail and interest.



