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TACOMA, WASH., JUNE 16, 1896.

The 14th Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, convened in the 9th Street Theatre, Tacoma, Wash., on the 16th day of June, 1896.

The Encampment was called to order at 10:55, a. m., by Department Commander Norman Buck, and opened in due form, prayer being offered by Comrade A. H. Lackey, of Post No. 63, of Aberdeen, Department Chaplain, after which the regular business was proceeded with. Comrade L. H. Coon of Snohomish; moved that a committee of three be appointed on Order of Business, to report on the reassembling of the Encampment after the noon recess, which motion was duly seconded and carried, and the Department Commander appointed Comrades L. H. Coon, J. M. Comstock and G. H. Boardman as such committee.

It was moved by Comrade Lane and seconded that all Posts having a representative present and lacking a full delegation, be allowed to fill their delegations from the members of their Posts who are present. Motion carried.

The roll of department officers was called and the following noted as present:

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, NORMAN BUCK.  
 SENIOR VICE COMMANDER, W. J. ALEXANDER.  
 JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER, L. H. COON.  
 MEDICAL DIRECTOR, B. R. FREEMAN.  
 DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN, A. H. LACKEY.

OFFICIAL STAFF.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL, J. M. COMSTOCK.  
 ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, W. H. WISCOMBE.  
 JUDGE ADVOCATE, THOMAS MATTISON.  
 CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER, A. W. HASTIE.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

I. J. LICHTENBURG.

The following Committee on Credentials was announced:

J. M. COMSTOCK, A. A. G.  
 J. P. HOYT, Stevens Post, No. 1.  
 H. F. YOUNG, Thomas Post, No. 5.  
 R. G. HOGE, Custer Post, No. 6.  
 W. A. WAGNER, Sheridan Post, No. 44.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following report, and on motion the Assistant Adjutant General read the list of Members entitled to seats in this Encampment, after which, on motion of Comrade Hassan, of Post No. 44, said report was adopted.

TACOMA, WASH., JUNE 16, 1896.

TO THE DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.,

Your Committee on Credentials would respectfully report that it has carefully examined the list as prepared by the A. A. G., of those entitled to seats in the 14th Encampment, and recommend that the same be adopted as the Roll of the Encampment, subject to its future action, as to filling vacancies occasioned by the absence of delegates.

Whole number entitled to vote:

Department officers.....	10
Past Department Commanders.....	9
Council of Administration.....	5
Representatives and P. P. Commanders.	511

Total..... 535.

[Signed] J. M. COMSTOCK.  
JOHN P. HOYT.  
R. G. HOGE.  
W. A. WAGNER.

ROLL.

*Department Officers.*

- \*COMANDER, NORMAN BUCK, Sedgwick Post, No. 8, Spokane.
- \*S. V. COM., W. J. ALEXANDER, Com. Foote Post, No. 84, Sydney.
- \*J. V. COM., L. H. COON, Morton Post No. 10, Snohomish.
- \*MED. DIRECTOR, B. R. FREEMAN, Gen. Reno Post No. 47, Spokane.
- \*CHAPLAIN, A. H. LACKEY, Gen. Crook Post, No. 63, Aberdeen.

*Official Staff.*

- \*ASST. ADJ. GEN., J. M. COMSTOCK, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.
- \*ASST. QM. GEN., W. H. WISCOMBE, J. L. Reno Post No 47, Spokane.
- \*JUDGE ADVOCATE, THOS. MATTISON, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma.  
INSPECTOR, R. B. SCOTT, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.
- \*C. M. OEFICER, A. W. HASTIE, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

*Council of Administration.*

Field and Official Staff and

- \*I. J. LICHTENBERG, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.  
CLARK WHITBECK, Wallace Post, No. 64, Springdale.  
W. A. INMAN, Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 19, Colfax.  
B. F. COPELIN, General Milroy Post No. 62, Latah.  
H. H. WOLF, Alfred Sully Post No. 3, Dayton.

*Delegates to 28th National Encampment.*

- O. B. HAYDEN, Post No. 6, Tacoma.
- R. R. HARDING, Post No. 48, Port Angeles.
- J. K. WARD, Post No. 9, North Yakima.
- JOSEPH DICKERSON, Post No. 31, Seattle.

*Alternates.*

- WILLIAM ELLINGSWORTH, Post No. 4, Walla Walla.
- W. K. GRIFFITH, Post No. 23, Cheney.
- A. H. CONGER, Post No. 6, Seattle.
- F. M. ELLSWORTH, Post No. 19, Colfax.

*Past Department Commanders.*

- F. W. SPARLING, 1878-83, Post No. 31, Seattle, (Provisional.)
- †GEO. D. HILL, 1883, Post No. 31, Seattle.
- †H. A. MORROW, 1884, Post No. 2, Vancouver.
- A. M. BROOKS, 1885, Post No. 31, Seattle.
- C. M. HOLTON, 1886, Rost No. 9, North Yakima.

- A. P. CURRY, 1887, Post No. 8, Spokane.  
 †J. W. SPRAGUE, 1888, Post No. 6, Tacoma.  
 S. M. COSGROVE, 1889, Post No. 22, Pomeroy.  
 M. M. HOLMES, 1890, Post No. 1, Seattle.  
 D. G. LOVELL, 1891, Post No. 6, Tacoma.  
 J. S. BROWN, 1892, Post No. 47, Spokane.  
 †Jos. F. SINCLAIR, 1893, Post No. 56, Ballard.  
 J. N. SCOTT, Post No. 15, Port Townsend.

†Deceased.

POSTS.

STEVENS NO. 1, SEATTLE. (217.)

\*Commander, J. M. WEISTLING.

*Past Commanders.*

- |                    |                  |
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| *Geo. W. Tibbitts, | W. H. White,     |
| *H. A. Biglow,     | A. P. Spaulding, |
| O. B. Johnson,     | *M. M. Holmes,   |
| *Jas. Alexander,   | W. E. Wilson,    |
| *S. F. Street,     | *J. R. Kinnear,  |
| *T. M. Young,      | *L. A. Treen,    |
| *S. W. Clark,      | *F. H. Hurd,     |
| *J. E. Reisdorf,   | *C. C. Wilson,   |
| J. W. Range,       | A. O. Benjamin,  |
| *B. B. Brownson,   | *W. F. Taylor,   |
|                    | *C. M. Ambrust.  |

*Delegates.*

- \*John Taylor,  
 \*John Convery,  
 \*F. S. Berry,  
 \*H. C. Hawthorne,  
 J. H. Gagle,  
 \*J. P. Crawford,  
 \*E. C. Kilbourne,  
 S. G. Benedict,  
 \*H. S. Keene,  
 Henry Sheehan,  
 \*A. H. Carr,

*Alternates.*

- \*J. P. Hoyt,  
 \*C. F. Deibert,  
 \*James Price,  
 W. B. Haines,  
 J. H. McLaughlin,  
 W. G. Hubbard,  
 A. Barney,  
 Wm. Fox,  
 John R. Bell,  
 H. F. Phillips,  
 E. F. Stevens.

ELLSWORTH NO. 2 VANCOUVER. (25.)

Commander, J. A. SNODGRASS.

*Past Commanders.*

R. W. Downing,	J. D. Geogheghan,
D. B. Baker,	N. F. Bolton,
David Stamp,	O. F. Johnson,
W. H. Brewster,	Wm. Smiley,
W. H. Nash,	D. F. Reid.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
H. C. Funk,	Geo. S. Boyer,
P. S. La Rock,	Jas. T. Goss.

ALFRED SULLY NO. 3, DAYTON. (56.)

Commander, PETER LAMLEY.

*Past Commanders.*

H. H. Wolfe,	D. C. Gurusey,
J. H. Gough,	A. H. Kribs,
D. H. Hardin,	D. B. Kimball,
W. C. Bishop,	Homer Hayden,
A. J. Dexter,	J. W. Sayers.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
C. Knobloch,	E. Burks,
Ed Finn,	J. O. Davis.

A. LINCOLN NO. 4, WALLA WALLA. (62.)

Commander, W. H. EMBREE.

*Past Commanders.*

W. H. Carnes,	Wm. Lind,
J. H. Paul,	J. F. McLean,
S. M. White,	E. W. Elliot,
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*Wm. Ellingsworth,	John Braden,
*L. W. Spencer,	A. S. Gear,
*J. LeCornu,	Geo. Crowe.

G. H. THOMAS NO. 5, OLYMPIA. (51.)

\*Commander, GEO. B. LANE.

*Past Commanders.*

T. J. McKenney,	*Wm. McMicken,
N. H. Owens,	A. D. Rogers,
J. R. Hayden,	J. W. Bomer,
*R. G. O'Brien,	A. B. Coles,
*R. B. Crandall,	W. H. Roberts,
A. H. Adams,	Geo. B. Lane.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Phillip Hiltz,	T. C. Cotter,

\*Frank Taylor, S. D. Smith,  
 \*H. F. Young, S. J. Sargent,  
 \*O. A. Bowen.

CUSTER NO. 6, TACOMA. (163.)

\*Commander, A. WOODWORTH.

*Past Commanders.*

*F. T. Taylor,	*Thos. Carroll,
*L. B. Strayer,	*Don G. Lovell,
*Phinneas Foster,	*Thos. Mattison,
*C. H. Holmes,	*Geo. Thornton,
*W. H. Jennings,	*Fred Salms,
*M. P. Kelley,	*Wm. Peel,
*R. Hessey,	*W. Lind,

\*M. Buhl.

*Delegates.*

\*J. E. Noel,  
 \*B. N. Bradfield,  
 \*L. J. Pentecost,  
 \*C. H. Wilson,  
 \*Geo. A. Leavitt,  
 \*R. G. Hoge,  
 \*W. P. Young,  
 \*Jos. B. Hoit,

*Alternates.*

John Holgate,  
 Geo. H. Taylor,  
 L. B. McCoy,  
 J. B. McArthur,  
 H. B. Fuller,  
 Jasper Howe,  
 F. S. Sharp,  
 J. R. D. Conger.

P. KEARNEY, NO. 7, TOLEDO. (17.)

\*Commander, PETER KOONTZ.

*Past Commanders.*

T. B. Mitchell,	J. Duncan,
E. P. McClure,	W. H. Dorland.

*Delegate* \*E. B. C. Taylor.

SEDGWICK NO. 8, SPOKANE. (74.)

\*Commander, FRED SALING.

*Past Commanders.*

E. J. Webster,	L. H. Prather.
E. R. Childs,	C. R. Conner,
A. P. Curry,	E. P. Galbraith,
W. A. Cannon,	*J. M. Comstock,
*Norman Buck,	W. H. Maloney.

*Delegates.*

J. N. Koontz,  
 J. E. Gandy,  
 D. Wall,

*Alternates.*

T. H. Burns,  
 W. K. Holmes,  
 F. Hosford,

Walter France, D. L. Crossen,  
\*W. Markham.

MEADE NO. 9, NORTH YAKIMA. (40.)

Commander, N. H. YEATS.

*Past Commanders.*

W. M. Badger, J. O. Clark,  
J. K. Ward, J. G. Boyle,  
C. M. Holton.

*No Delegate.*

MORTON, NO. 10, SNOHOMISH. (37.)

Commander, W. T. EDDY.

*Past Commanders.*

\*H. G. York, M. W. Packard,  
D. F. Sexton, \*L. H. Coon.  
G. C. Ruff, Fernando Turner,  
H. J. Andrus.

*Delegates.*

I. B. Hewitt,  
J. R. King,

*Alternates.*

L. E. Fletcher,  
Geo. D. Smith.

JAMES PARSON, NO. 11, ELLENSBURG. (34.)

Commander, W. N. WESTFALL.

*Past Commanders.*

J. A. Shoudy, D. Kinkade,  
J. E. McDowell, S. T. Sterling.  
*Delegates*—\*C. S. McNeil, \*J. L. Burton.

M'PHERSON NO. 12, KALAMA. (13.)

Commander, J. J. A. TAYLOR.

*Past Commanders.*

Joseph Smith, W. D. Close,  
Elisha Wingan, J. H. Hockett,  
M. E. Billings, C. Kalahan.  
*Delegate.* *Alternate.*  
Geo. S. Foster, Robert Bennett.

GARFIELD NO. 13, MONTESANO. (23.)

\*Commander, A. A. BROWN.

*Past Commanders.*

A. K. Bush, H. M. Sutton,  
G. W. Boyington, T. M. Bryan.  
*Delegate.* *Alternate.*  
\*J. Caruthers, J. W. Freeburger.

PHIL BUCKMAN NO. 14, SPRAGUE. (24.)

Commander, JACOB SMITH.

*Past Commanders.*

W. W. Hollingsworth, <i>Delegate.</i>	John Moore. <i>Alternate.</i>
J. J. Brown.	Wm. Dean.

FARRAGUT NO. 15, PORT TOWNSEND. (60.)

\*Commander, T. M. FISHER.

*Past Commanders.*

D. R. Tremble,	*Edward Rose,
J. N. Scott,	D. M. Littlefield,
M. M. Smith,	Thad S. Smith,
	E. P. Dunning.

*Delegates.*

\*Anthony Nash,  
\*James McMillan,  
J. Q. Adams,

*Alternates.*

Peter Mutty,  
\*W. B. West.  
C. P. Wakeman.

JOHN A. LOGAN, NO. 16, GARFIELD. (19.)

Commander, WM. WESTACOTT.

*Past Commanders.*

J. M. Dicus,	J. A. Dix,
J. L. Dutton,	Wm. Dallas,
A. C. Case,	A. P. Hall.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Wm. Muncey,	A. C. Case.

L. C. LADD, NO. 17, PUYALLUP. (19.)

\*Commander, C. W. STEWART.

*Past Commanders.*

E. N. Little,	*A. Clark.
*J. W. Soles.	*C. C. Field,
	*C. A. Green.

*Delegates*

\*D. M. Snyder,

*Alternates.*

R. Lyman.

LARRABEE, NO. 18, LA CONNER. (25.)

Commander, O. C. CURRIER.

*Past Commanders.*

J. F. Dwelley,	R. H. Ball,
*Robert Moore,	J. L. Wallace,
*E. Bristow,	A. W. Parker.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*John Gahen,	Josiah Kimball.

NAT LYON NO. 19, COLFAX. (31.)

Commander, J. S. BUCK.

*Past Commander.*

\*F. M. Ellsworth.

BAKER NO. 20, GOLDENDALE. (28.)

Commander, J. A. STOUT.

*Past Commanders.*

Sol Smith,

E. B. Wise,

F. B. Stinson,

D. W. Pierce,

E. W. Pike.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

E. W. Pike.

A. A. Vanhay.

M'DOWELL NO. 22, POMEROY. (37.)

Commander, JOHN THOMPSON.

*Past Commanders.*

\*S. G. Cosgrove,

S. K. Hull,

H. C. Thompson,

C. H. Bingham,

H. E. Farnsworth,

Charles Lakin.

*Delegates.*

*Alternates.*

S. G. Cosgrove,

H. C. Thompson,

Dennis Messenger.

Chas. Lakin.

GEO. WRIGHT NO. 23, CHENEY. (17.)

Commander, H. JORDON,

*Past Commanders.*

John Harris,

S. G. Grubb,

W. K. Griffith,

John Taylor,

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

R. H. Manier.

I. J. Scribner.

J. B. STEADMAN, NO. 24, NEW WHATCOM. (79.)

\*Commander, J. P. LEWIS.

*Past Commanders.*

\*A. S. Cole,

H. B. Williams,

\*A. A. Rogers,

E. Sturgeon.

*Delegates.*

*Alternates*

\*J. J. Edens,

S. A. Calvert,

\*W. H. Penfield,

W. W. Dorwood,

\*A. M. Woolaver,

M. H. Maybright.

\*J. C. Musgrave,

H. Seibert.

JOE HOOKER, NO. 25, CHEHALIS. (20.)

Commander, E. G. WAGLEY.

*Past Commanders.*

M. W. Forrest,	*H. P. Hurn,
A. H. Brown,	*H. C. Stinson,
	*W. H. Mossman.

*Delegates.*

\*A. Dildine,

*Alternates.*

A. H. Brown.

CANBY, NO. 27, ILWACO. (17.)

Commander, DAN. MARKHAM.

*Past Commanders.*

G. W. Easterbrook,	H. F. Corey,
E. C. Pratt,	Wm. Cobleigh.

*Delegate*—W. C. Mower.

MAJOR ANDERSON, NO. 29, PALOUSE. (10.)

Commander, ROBERT BRUCE.

*Past Commanders.*

M. T. Merrill,	J. C. Poe.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
J. C. Poe,	G. L. Gratman.

O. M. MITCHELL, NO. 30, LA CAMAS. (10.)

Commander, G. S. HADLEY.

*Past Commanders.*

(None reported.)

*Delegates.*

Eli Walker,

*Alternates.*

M. S. Fishburn.

J. F. MILLER, NO. 31, SEATTLE. (252.)

\*Commander, J. H. WILSON.

*Past Commanders.*

*F. W. Sparling,	A. M. Brooks,
*W. G. Latimer,	G. W. Bulline,
D. L. McCowen,	*Richard Osborne,
*J. W. Langley,	*G. N. Alexander,
*Byron Phelps,	*George Kinnear,
*W. S. Harlan,	*E. M. Schrack.

*Delegates.*

\*Fred Gasch,  
\*L. T. Dodge,  
\*W. V. Reinhart,  
\*A. H. Foote,  
\*Amos Brown,  
\*Martyn Kyle,

*Alternates.*

Geo. Hooker,  
A. S. Hall,  
G. L. Case,  
W. W. Casper,  
A. C. Lincoln,  
Wm. Phillips,

*W. W. Perrigo,	J. F. Mason,
*Ira A. Scott,	J. C. Rockwell,
*D. C. Brown,	L. D. Sayers,
*Lyman Knapp,	J. M. Beamiss,
*Gideon Bailey,	J. Clark.

REYNOLDS NO. 32, BLAINE. (7.)

Commander, SAMUEL WADE.

*Past Commanders.*

S. P. Hughs,	J. N. Lindsey,
I. M. Scott,	*O. D. McEonald,
A. J. Loomis,	Lewis Schoffner.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
J. W. Whiffler.	John Barber.

LINDSAY NO. 34, ROSALIA. (7.)

Commander, D. F. ANDERSON.

(No report of election.)

D. A. RUSSELL NO. 35, MOUNT VERNON. (36.)

Commander, J. T. MASON.

*Past Commanders.*

Jasper Gates,	*C. D. Kimball,
*D. F. Decatur,	*R. W. Williams,
S. C. Washburn,	J. W. Newman,
*Wiltie Brown,	*Abraham Garl.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
B. R. Sumner,	C. H. Mann,
Hiram Hanover.	John Moore.

W. H. SEWARD, NO. 36, JUNEAU, ALASKA. (21.)

Commander, SILAS GIBSON.

*Past Commanders.*

J. C. Howard,	L. B. Granier,
David Flannery,	J. W. Thompson,
	Alvis Meir.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Chas. Demmart,	Chas. Moore.

J. J. LEWIS, NO. 37, ASOTIN. (22.)

Commander, D. F. WEST.

*Past Commanders.*

D. T. Welch,	H. E. Benedict,
J. W. King,	J. W. Green.

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
B. F. Onstct.	J. N. Clift.

R. L. M'COOK, NO. 39, WILBUR. (38.)

Commander, J. L. STEWART.

*Past Commanders.*

*J. E. Williams,	H. F. Warren,
Wm. McQuarrie,	H. Windhoff.

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
A. J. Stigmalt,	Ben King.
L. Harbeson,	J. McCleary.

J. B. WYMAN, NO. 41, ROCKFORD. (15.)

Commander, C. W. Anderson.

*Past Commanders.*

C. W. Anderson,	W. J. Wcshburn.
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<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Samuel Smith,	S. S. Gavitt.

LYNCH NO. 42, LYNDEN. (16.)

Commander, CHARLES VINUP.

*Past Commanders.*

A. J. Roscoe.

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
J. C. Spaulding.	A. J. Roscoe.

P. H. SHERIDAN NO. 44, TACOMA. (34.)

\*Commander, M. D. WOOLF.

*Past Commanders.*

*S. T. Armstrong,	*Thad Huston,
	*Geo. Haskin.

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*A. S. Johnson,	R. A. Wakefield,
	*H. G. Hoffin.

H. A. MILES NO. 45, WATERVILLE. (18.)

Commander, J. J. GARRETT.

*Past Commanders.*

Wm. Domrese,	H. C. Keeler,
	M. I. Young.

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Wm. Domrese.	H. C. Keeler.

GEN. J. L. RENO NO. 47, SPOKANE. (65.)

\*Commander, LT, THOS. LAVERY.

*Past Commanders.*

D. K. Oliver,	F. P. Weymouth,
*W. H. Wiscombe,	E. Morrison.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
A. Williams,	John W. Ottis,
*John Hanley,	Gideon Howell,
*Capt. Wilson.	John Carmody.

PACIFIC NO. 48, PORT ANGELES. (37.)

\*Commander, J. W. STEWART.

*Past Commanders.*

*W. C. Ellsworth,	*L. D. Stewart,
*P. W. Gallup,	D. P. Quinn,
H. M. Guptill,	*H. W. Doty,
	R. R. Harding.

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*P. B. Chambers,	W. P. Eblin,
*J. A. McKee,	W. H. Elliott,

KIT CARSON, NO. 49, KELSO. (18.)

Commander, O. HINSON.

*Past Commanders.*

J. W. Moore,	Wm. Davolt.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Steven H. Postlow,	*John W. Joseph.

GEN. GROVER, NO. 51, AUBURN. (18.)

\*Commander, D. M. KINKADE.

*Past Commanders.*

*Daniel Winters,	*Geo. Hart.
	*Ed. Richmond,
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*Henry Summers,	W. H. White.

WASHINGTON, NO. 52; HOQUIAM. (20.)

Commander, W. F. CRAWFORD.

*Past Commanders.*

J. T. Burns,	B. S. Philbrick,
G. W. France,	M. H. Tuttle.
W. E. Rockwell,	A. M. Holman.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Peter Erickson,	M. Healy,

## WHITMAN NO. 53, PULLMAN. (23.)

Commander, K. P. ALLEN.

*Past Commanders.*

R. Lanning,	David Garret,
M. F. Taylor,	C. S. Mason,
J. V. Farnsworth,	W. H. Lacy,
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Ed. Lanning.	D. Gifford.

## C. M. REED NO. 54, ORTING. (19.)

\*Commander, A. CATLIN.

*Past Commanders.*

*H. S. Lillager,	T. O. Hanlon,
*A. Martin,	*W. F. Nemeyer.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
James Easton.	*Ed. A. Graham.

## T. T. MINOR NO. 55. (9.)

(No report.)

## LT. CUSHING NO. 56, BALLARD. (31.)

\*Commander, B. STEINAUER.

*Past Commanders.*

Jeremiah Conaway,	S. E. Dells.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*J. P. Draper,	Spencer Sander,
*I. H. Sprague.	John Leas.

## H. G. SICKLES NO. 57, VASHON. (17.)

\*Commander, A. S. CRISTMAN.

*Past Commanders.*

*S. D. Sherman,	*M. H. Snow,
	*Isaac Rees.
<i>Delegate—*J. W. Jacobs.</i>	

## C. M. KELLOGG, NO. 58, WEST FERNALB. [12.]

Commander, P. M. BUTTLE.

*Past Commanders.*

Geo. Chamberlain,	J. M. Bearse.
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
A. W. Tiffany,	Geo. Chamberlain.

## C. R. APPERSON, NO. 59, FAIRHAVEN. [24.]

\*Commander, H. B. BATEMAN.

*Past Commanders.*

D. L. Hopkins,	*T. W. Gillette,
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\*D. Alverson, S. P. Tapping,  
C. T. Lathrop.

*Delegates.* *Alternates.*

\*Eli Wilk ius, James Gibson.

C. W. H. BENTLEY, NO. 60, CRESCENT. [17.]

Commander, SAMUEL HAMILTON.

*Delegates.* *Alternates.*

Jerry Rockholds, Wm. Gates.

GEN. MILROY, NO. 62, LATAH. [24.]

Commander, J. P. CAMPBELL.

*Past Commanders.*

B. F. Coplin, W. B. Ramsay,

G. W. Hendrix, J. M. Nelson.

*Delegates.* *Alternates.*

M. M. Pool, N. B. Welton.

GEO. CROOK, NO. 63, ABERDEEN. [20.]

Commander, A. PAYETTE.

*Past Commanders.*

Fred Nye, N. S. Arnold,

J. M. Benningham, Max Sanford.

*Delegates.* *Alternates.*

\*O. A. Meyers, J. O. Ingram.

A. H. Lackey, Dept. Chap.

WALLACE NO. 64, SPRINGDALE. [18.]

Commander, JAMES FERGUSON

*Past Commanders.*

M. P. Shaffer, R. D. McEvers,

Carrol Morgan.

*Delegate.* *Alternate.*

James Ferguson, M. P. Shaffer.

ADMIRAL PORTER NO. 66, MOSSY ROCK. [15.]

Commander, P. D. HOPKINSON.

*Past Commander.*

Arthur Bridges.

*Delegate.* *Alternate.*

John R. Sherman, Wm. D. Easter.

B. F. STEPHENSON NO. 67, SUMAS CITY, [12.]

Commander, A. G. HOPKINS.

*Delegate.* *Alternate.*

E. R. Hopkins, R. F. McCollough.

GEN. EMORY NO. 68, ANACORTES. [7.]

Commander, C. R. HENDERSON.

*Past Commander.*

\*J. J. See.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

\*Wm. Dike.

Wm. Deutsch.

J. C. FREMONT NO. 69, SOUTH BEND. [19.]

[No report.]

UNION NO. 70, CHEWELAH. [19.]

Commander, J. F. TUPPER.

*Past Commanders.*

Fred Keeling,

D. F. Lucas,

O. T. Rigg,

E. A. Keys.

*Delegate.*

*Alternate.*

D. C. Ely.

C. S. Bondurant.

J. A. REYNOLDS NO. 71, BUCKLEY. (17.)

Commander, W. E. GOVE.

*Past Commanders.*

\*W. L. Bartholomew,

F. E. McDougal.

*Delegates.*

*Alternates.*

W. P. Sergeant.

John Glenn.

A. J. SMITH NO 72, WAYSIDE. (24.)

Commander, WM. H. ELLSWORTH.

*Past Commanders.*

H. G. Stratton,

P. L. Lebo.

*Delegate*—George Glover.

EVERETT NO. 73, SUMNER. (15.)

Commander, J. B. KROUS.

*Past Commanders.*

\*F. McFarland,

R. A. Guffey,

\*H. A. Marble,

J. F. Thompson.

*Delegates.*

*Alternates.*

\*Geo. T. Meyers.

John Tuel.

SILAS CASEY NO. 74, FRIDAY HARBOR.

(No report of election.)

\*J. L. Blair seated as Delegate.

E. J. HOUGHTON NO. 75, HARVEY. (14.)

Commander, J. O. GIFFORD.

*Past Commanders.*

G. W. Sykes,

Joseph Gookey,

W. H. Overman, <i>Delegates.</i>	W. H. Spencer. <i>Alternates.</i>
W. J. Galbraith.	E. W. Weston.

COL. H. BURNHAM NO. 76, KENT. (17.)

\*Commander, G. R. CEESE.

*Past Commanders.*

Geo. Klock,	W. L. Whitmore,
John E. Yates,	O. A. Jones,
H. N. Joy.	

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*S. C. Nicholson.	George Wood.

H. R. LOOMIS, NO. 80, GIG HARBOR. (17.)

\*Commander, MILES B. HUNT.

*Past Commanders.*

\*A. H. Brown.

<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*J. F. Allen,	J. Atkinson.

WORTHINGTON, NO. 81, ELMA. (14.)

Commander, THOMAS FOREMAN.

*Past Commanders.*

Hurbert Kramer,	*Alex Jolley,
*I. N. Harding,	*M. A. Holcomb.
<i>Delegate.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Herbert Kramer,	Nathan Thompson.

T. T. PRICE, NO. 82, CENTRALIA. (45.)

Commander, J. G. CURTIS.

(No further report.)

*Past Commanders.*

\*H. H. Hamer, seated by encampment.

GEN. SAUNDERS, NO. 83, KELSO. (17.)

Commander, P. J. KNAPP.

*Past Commanders.*

W. B. Shanklin,	Wm. Taft.
Henry Allen.	
<i>Delegates.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
Miles D. Crawford,	*W. E. Jester.

COMMODORE FOOTE, NO. 84, SIDNEY. (22.)

\*Commander, D. C. BLEAM.

*Past Commanders.*

*J. B. Clark,	*W. J. Alexander,
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*Delegates.*

\*A. W. Kobinson,

*Alternates.*

T. J. Holcomb.

E. M. STANTON, NO. 86, HALLER CITY. (18.)

Commander, ROBERT MAXWELL.

*Past Commanders.*

A. L. Blair,

T. Moran,

J. F. Smith.

*Delegates.*

Wm. Aldridge.

*Alternates.*

J. W. Moran.

J. A. WINSLOW NO. 87, EXCELSIOR. (30.)

\*Commander, S. D. BREAR.

*Past Commanders.*

\*C. T. Patterson,

\*John Keats,

H. Jesse Tobias,

\*R. S. Alexander,

\*H. H. Warner,

\*Jacob Emery.

*Delegate.*

\*James A. Baker.

*Alternate.*

J. E. Hartshorn.

GEN. FRED LANDER NO. 88, FAHMINGTOE. (19.)

Commander, T. R. TANNATT.

*Delegates.*

R. A. Truax.

*Alternates.*

R. H. Martin.

JOHN BUFORD NO. 89, EVERETT. (18.)

\*Commander, J. T. SHERFEY.

*Delegates.*

\*J. R. Luce.

*Alternates.*

R. K. Beecham.

COL. E. E. CROSS NO. 90, SHELTON. (19.)

\*Commander, J. B. RITNER.

*Past Commanders.*

\*George Cyphert,

\*H. L. Alden,

E. Dunbar.

*Delegates.*

\*I. W. Wood.

*Alternates.*

Lansing Decker.

D. CHAPLAIN NO. 92, COUPEVILLE. (12.)

\*Commander, CHARLES EATON.

*Past Commanders.*

A. B. Cootes,

F. A. LeSourd.

*Delegates.*

J. M. Babcock.

*Alternates.*

C. P. Eaton.

GEN. RUSK, NO. 93, HARRINGTON. (16.)

Commander, J. H. LONG.

*Delegates.*

*Alternates*

R. R. Stewart,

\*J. J. Blocksedge.

N. B. PAGE, NO. 94, MISSION. (10.)

Commander, THOMAS STEWART.

(No election report. Tax paid.)

L. P. PLIMEAR, NO. 95, NEW WHATCOM.

\*Commander, JOHN BOYLES.

(Organized May 7, 1896.)

*Delegate.*

\*W. J. Henry, seated by encampment.

GEN. EWING, NO. 96, NORTH BEND. (10.)

Commander, A. J. FOSTER.

(Organized May 16, 1896.)

*Delegate.*

A. Cromley.

Those marked with a \* were present.

Comrade A. S. Cole, of Post No 24, moved that a committee of five be appointed on Resolutions, to whom resolutions shall be referred without debate. Carried. The Department Commander announced that he would name such committee later on.

Senior Vice Commander W. J. Alexander, of Com. Foote Post No. 84, was called to the chair, and Department Commander Norman Buck delivered the following address:

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER'S ADDRESS.

COMRADES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA:

We meet again after a year of substantial prosperity in our organization to celebrate this Fourteenth anniversary of our existence as a department. The trials and vicissitudes which come to other men and other organizations, have come to us. Our country is passing through an experience which is not new in the history of nations, and especially is not new in our own country. We have learned from it the lessons which others have learned, and have fared no better and no worse than others have done. We are on the eve of better times. With all that the past has brought us I feel that I can say with confidence that the light is breaking in the east. We can see the beginning of a new era of prosperity for our whole country. During the year that has passed it has been the object and purpose of our administration to practice the strictest economy in the management of the

affairs of our organization, and to strengthen our order by giving special attention to the weaker Posts in the Department. In this work the Commander has had the assistance of the staff officers and official members of the administration, and also of all Comrades who have been called upon for special duty. I think the best service that the Commander has rendered the Department has been in the selection of his staff. Our financial condition is sound and prosperous. We have confined our expenses within our income, and I can congratulate you with the assurance that our debts are all paid and we have a small amount in our treasury. I attribute this fortunate condition of our finances to the earnest efforts of all members of the administration, and especially to the financial ability and faithfulness of our Assistant Adjutant General and the Assistant Quartermaster General. For myself personally, and as Department Commander, I thank them for the wise administration in their several departments. While the Commander has not been able to give as much time to the visitation of Posts as he desired to do, yet he has used every opportunity to go into the field and meet the Comrades in their Posts. It is impossible in this brief address to enumerate all the Posts visited, but our best effort has been made to visit those localities which are remote from ordinary routes of travel, and I am gratified with the assurances which have come to us that these efforts have been appreciated by the Comrades, and have resulted in substantial good to the order.

The first half of our year's work gave us an increase in numbers of 133. The second half will not expire until July 1, 1896, and we cannot give the actual increase for that period. I can say, however, from personal observation, that if the Posts faithfully and promptly make their reports they will show an increase in membership greater than that of the first six months of our administration.

The large area of our Department increases the expense and time necessary to frequent meetings of the Council of Administration. I respectfully suggest that possibly the semi-annual meeting of the Council might be omitted with no detriment to the administration and with a considerable saving in expense. In the interest of economy it is suggested that in electing members of the Council of Administration care should be taken to select Comrades who reside near the location of the Annual Encampment. It has also been suggested that the duties of A. A. G. and the A. Q. M. G. might be discharged by the same person without detriment to the administration of the affairs of the Department. This suggestion is respectfully submitted to the consideration of the Encampment.

There are accumulating at the headquarters of the Department a considerable quantity of stores of various kinds which are not needed in the ordinary course of business. These stores are now shipped to different localities (as the headquarters change) at considerable expense and with some risk of being lost. It is suggested that it would be well to apply to the state government for some place of storage, where they would be safe and accessible in case they were needed.

The Commander wishes to call attention to valuable assistance which the Relief Corps and Daughters and Sons of Veterans render to the Grand Army.

We have observed that where these organizations exist the Grand Army Posts are most prosperous. We look upon them as our natural allies and we cannot too highly appreciate their assistance to us. I respectfully suggest whether the time is not coming when it will be for the best interests of our organization that its fundamental law be so changed as to admit the Sons of Veterans to full membership with us in the Grand Army. I desire to make special mention of the munificent provision which the State of Washington has made for all the old veterans within its limits. While other states have provided homes for such soldiers as *enlisted* within the state. Washington, with a broader patriotism, has provided a home for all soldiers who contended for the Union, irrespective of the place of their enlistment. The veterans cannot honor too highly the munificent patriotism of the State of Washington. The home provided for the veterans by our state has within it between one and two hundred inmates. Many of these would be found in the active industries of life under a more prosperous condition of affairs. The home itself, while not fully equipped with all that is needed, is nevertheless comfortable, and so far as physical comforts are concerned, has been well conducted. Some discussion has arisen among the inmates and others interested whether its location is the best that should be provided, and whether some improvements as to the terms of admission and the conditions of remaining there could not be made. An excursion of this encampment is arranged for, and I recommend every member to improve this opportunity to visit the home and to become acquainted with its location and management.

I am impressed with the conviction that our organization should be in all the vicissitudes of our government, the supporter of law and order. One of the cardinal principles of the Grand Army is loyalty. Every member of it and every veteran should deem himself the especial advocate of loyalty in the broadest sense of that word. Every utterance of our members should be outspoken in his support of our gov-

ernment and of every administration of our government, no matter whether it be Republican, Democratic, Populist, and I do not mean by this that the members who constitute the membership of the Grand Army may not with entire propriety attach themselves to any political party and go forth and discuss the political issues of the day whenever and wherever they may desire to do so. What I do mean, is that all this should be done within the realm of law and order. If laws are distasteful to us let us pursue the legitimate and constitutional methods of correcting them. Let no army button be found in the ranks of the rioter or the law breaker. Whenever our members speak, let their voice be heard for law and order, and let every utterance of our organization as an organization, whether from the Post or the encampment, be in favor of loyalty to our government and to every administration of our government. More than six thousand veterans, strong in body and loyal in heart are living within our department. They are still in the front rank of all moral political or intellectual pursuits. Let them go on in the future as they have done in the past within the stars and the stripes at the head of the column. The State of Washington has no superior in natural reform. Let us not wait the slow action of our national government. The center of legislative power is so far removed from us as to make it difficult to make the statesman of the nation appreciate our condition and our necessities.

It is the duty of every government to provide homes in which her citizens can earn their own living or employment where they can earn a living for those depending upon them. Our flowing waters should be spread upon the public domain that these lands may be cultivated. Let our state inaugurate a comprehensive system of internal improvements for the benefit of her citizens.

The veterans of the war have been the pioneers in the past history of our state in all periods of its development. Let them continue in the front rank and lead in all the leading issues of the day, in the development of our state, and in furnishing homes for an industrious and loyal people.

NORMAN BUCK,  
Department Commander.

Comrade G. B. Lane of G. H. Thomas Post, No. 5, Olympia, moved that the address of the Department Commander be referred to a committee of three to consider and report upon the various recommendations therein made. The motion prevailed and Comrades G. B. Lane, of Post No. 5, D. G. Lovell of Post No. 6, and W. S. Harlan of Post No. 31, were appointed as such committee.

Assistant Adjutant General J. M. Comstock, of Sedgwick Post No. 8, then presented the following report:

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }  
 SPOKANE, WASH., June 12, 1896. }

To NORMAN BUCK, Department Commander:

Commander—In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I have the honor to submit herewith the annual report of the business of this office, showing the condition of the Department for the year ending December 31, 1895, and also the general transactions of this office from June 16, 1895, when I assumed control, to June 12, 1896, when the business of the office was practically closed.

The following is an abstract from the consolidated report as forwarded to National Headquarters, for the year 1895:

	POSTS.	MEMBERS.
Posts and members in good standing, Jan. 1, '95,	76	2444
POSTS. MEMBERS.		
Gain in first semi-annual period		
ending June 30, 1896..... I		
By muster.....	84	
By transfer.....	44	
By reinstatement.....	144	
By " from Del. Rep.....	41	
Total gain..... I	313	
Loss during same period.		
By death.....	22	
By Honorable Discharge....	10	
By transfer.....	53	
By suspension.....	153	
By delinquent reports..... 19	338	
Aggregate..... 19	576	
Loss during the term.....	18	263
Number in good standing June 30, 1895,	58	2181
Gain in 2d semi-annual period		
ending December 31, 1895.		
POSTS. MEMBERS.		
By muster..... I	109	
By transfer.....	28	

By reinstatement .....		80	
By " from Del. Rep. ....	20	335	
Total gain .....	21	552	
Loss during same period.			
By death .....		18	
By Honorable Discharge .....		20	
By transfer .....		33	
By suspension .....		293	
By Posts disbanding .....	2	55	
Total loss in Posts and members .....	2	419	
Total gain in Posts and members for the 6 months term .....		19	133
Total in good standing Dec. 31, 1895 .....	77		2314

## RECAPITULATION.

	POSTS.	MEMBERS.
In good standing January 1, 1895,	76	2444
	POSTS.	MEMBERS.
Gain for the year .....	1	865
Loss for the year .....		995
Total loss over gain for the year,		130
Total gain over loss for the year,	1	
Total in good standing Dec. 31, 1895,	77	2314

You will observe as the encampment meets at or near the close of the first term that each administration reports through its tabulated statements upon but one-half of its own work

I, therefore, state briefly the changes in Posts since June 15, 1895, to June 12, 1896. July 1, 1895, N. B. Page Post No. 94, was organized at Mission, Wash., by M. O. R. B. Scott with ten members. On March 7, 1896, L. P. Plummer Post No. 95, was organized at New Whatcom with 25 charter members by J. P. Lewis of J. B. Steadman Post No. 24. as S. M. O.

April 18, 1796, a charter was granted and Comrade Geo. W. Tibbett was detailed as S. M. & I. O.. to reorganize a Post at North Bend, Wash., with fifteen charter members.

Gen. Hovey Post No. 79, surrendered its charter May 30, 1896, and upon the same evening Gen. Ewing Post no. 96, at North Bend,

Wash., was instituted, the officers elected and installed. A charter was furnished for \$5.00 and done under the order of the C. of O.

U. S. Grant Post No. 91, located at Orting, Wash., surrendered its charter November 15, 1895, and eighteen members were furnished with transfer cards.

December 7, 1895, W. S. Hancock Post No. 43, Cosmopolis, surrendered its charter, and nine transfer cards were granted.

February 7, 1896, J. J. Andrews Post No. 61, located at Oakesdale, Wash., surrendered its charter and ten transfer cards were issued.

Philo Buckman Post No. 14, Sprague, Wash., reported that their charter was destroyed in the fire that nearly wiped out their city last September, and in accordance with the regulations a new charter was issued to them Nov. 15, 1895.

A. J. Smith Post No. 72, located at Wayside, Wash., have in some unknown manner lost their charter, or else there never was one issued to them. All of the older members, including the First Post Commander, say that they never had a charter, at least they never saw it, and I can find no statement or record showing that a charter was ever issued. I think the encampment should investigate or order a charter issued to them.

The loss during the first term was largely the result of Posts failing to get their reports into the hands of the A. A. G. in time to go into his consolidated report to national headquarters. Eighteen Posts were reported delinquent during that term, but for the second term ending December 31, 1895, all Posts, with the exception of John C. Fremont Post No. 69, South Bend, Wash., and W. B. Hazen Post No. 46, Ritzville, Wash., have furnished me their adjutant's report. I have written these two Posts asking for reports, but have received no reply.

Nine Posts, Nos. 11, 19, 34, 46, 55, 57, 69, 82 and 94 failed to send in any report of election, so if I have not their list of Past Post Commanders and delegates, the fault is not mine. I have called attention to this fact in general orders, but without success in getting the proper report.

Eighteen Posts as follows: 3, 4, 7, 12, 13, 19, 20, 22, 25, 30, 46, 49, 51, 55, 58, 63, 69 and 74, failed to furnish the installation reports. It would seem to me, if it is within the power of this encampment to do so, that these two reports (the election and the installation reports) might very wisely be consolidated into one, and forwarded as an installation report, then it would show accurately who were elected and installed. You will observe that in the roster for 1896, there are a number of blanks in the line of adjutants. The election reports do not

give the names of the appointed officers, so if the Posts send in the election reports and not the installation reports, the A. A. G. does not get the name of the appointed officers, and if the installation reports are sent in and not the election, then no lists of Past Posts Commanders, delegates and alternates is furnished. I see no good reason why these two reports should not be consolidated, and, if possible, I hope the encampment will so order.

The losses by the various Posts, through the medium of suspension, is a source of never ending annoyance to all comrades who hold the welfare and love of the organization above all other considerations. Differences will arise, but these petty things should never be carried outside the Post room. As you hung together during the war, when things were not always to your liking, and finally came out victorious, so now have but one object, and that to keep the organization growing until it holds every old soldier in the state.

During the past year forty comrades have answered to the roll call for the last time on earth. This is three less deaths than was reported in 1894. Thirty were honorably discharged and eighty-six transferred.

Just as general order No. 7, was in the press, I received a telegram noting the death of Past Department Commander Joseph F. Sinclair. I inserted the fact briefly in the general order, and at once addressed a communication to the friends of our late Department Commander, asking for full particulars and a brief history of his civil and military career. Up to the present, I have received no reply to my communication.

I want to suggest to all Post Commanders, if they have any adjutants' blanks on hand, to put them where they can not be found, as the possibility of their falling into the hands of the Adjutant for use, makes trouble for him and the A. A. G. The blanks forwarded by the A. A. G., just before the period for making the reports, are the only ones the Posts should use. I fear all Post Commanders and Adjutants do not fully appreciate the statement that the *red ink* entry on the blanks sent out by the A. A. G. must not be changed. A single change of those figures makes the A. A. G. no end of trouble and correspondence. Remember that these red ink entries were your last report, and, if they do not correspond with your books it is your fault and not his. So in future correct errors in some other way, but don't change the red ink entries.

There have been few discrepancies between the reports of Adjutants and Quartermasters the past year, and this has aided materially in closing up consolidated reports, and making this office and that of

the A. Q. M. G. harmonize. So it is hoped for the benefit of the incoming administration, that the same wise carefulness will be observed in the future.

I do not find among the documents at the headquarters of this department a copy of the journal of the proceedings of the first encampment. I find one copy of the journal of the 2d encampment, one of the 3d, two of the 4th, two of the 5th, three of the 6th, forty-four of the 7th one hundred and seventy-three of the 8th, forty-eight of the 9th, fifty-eight of the 10th, one hundred and fifty-one of the 11th, seven hundred of the 12th, and two hundred and fifteen of the 13th. I find also, one well-bound copy, containing the journals of proceedings from 1884 to 1892 inclusive. It seems to me that some one should be authorized to get fifteen or twenty copies of each and every encampment since the organization of this department, and have them substantially bound in one volume, and one copy distributed free to each of the various state and public libraries. Then all the surplus books and papers not necessary for reference might be stored at the state capitol or some other central location, and remain there subject to the order of the Department Commander and the Council of Administration, instead of having them freighted over the state each year unnecessarily.

The journal of the last encampment was, by the request of the retiring officers, distributed by them, and done in a very creditable manner. They were, on consultation of both administrations, distributed at a ratio of one copy to each five members of the order. I think, with the present membership, six hundred copies of the journal of proceedings of this encampment, will be sufficient to supply all legitimate demands, and leave an abundance of extra copies, if distributed at the same ratio as the journal of the 13th encampment. The usual custom of exchanging general orders, roster and journal of proceedings, with all other departments, has been carefully continued by this office. If this practice has heretofore been followed, the results to this office are very meagre, as I find but three or four copies of the journal from any one department, and from some but a single one, while from others, none; and, if the practice in the future brings no better results than in the past, unless they have been spirited away by unfriendly hands, the custom would be more honored in the breach than the observance. During my occupancy, I have received copies from sixteen different departments, which are all on file at headquarters.

There has been issued from this office during the past year, ten general orders with a vast number of special orders and dispensations for various purposes. Sixteen general orders from National headquar-

ters with a vast amount of literature relating to the last encampment, and some pertaining to the coming one, have been distributed to all the Posts. Twelve hundred rosters of this department for the year of 1896 have been published and liberally distributed throughout the department.

All blanks for the semi-annual reports due June 30th, have been forwarded to the proper officers of each Post in the department. Special attention is called to the new form of blanks, A and B, just distributed. It is a consolidated report for Adjutants and Quartermasters, which they are requested to use. I would suggest that Post Commanders require all general orders, or those sections of them pertaining to duties soon to be performed by the different officers, to be read a second time. If this were done and the general orders thoroughly understood before being filed, it would answer many questions that are sent to headquarters.

I desire to call attention to the plan that has been adopted by the departments of Indiana and Missouri of having the office of Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General in one and the same person. In a recent reply to a communication of inquiry that I addressed to R. M. Smock, A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. of the Department of Indiana, as to the working of that plan in his department, he says: "It has worked very satisfactorily, besides saving a very large amount of expense to the department. My judgment and experience is, that it is not only proper, but the right thing for every department to do."

My own experience in trying to make prompt returns to the Posts on requisitions for supplies, which were right before me at headquarters, but under the control of another official, convinced me that the two offices should be consolidated long before I was aware that any department had adopted that plan.

If these offices were consolidated and the pay of the A. Q. M. G. added to the salary of the A. A. G., it would in part pay him for his time. Even if both officers live in the same town, the A. A. G. could fill an order in one-twentieth part of the time it would take him to find the A. Q. M. G.; so that the Posts and comrades, and everybody who had any correspondence with both officials, would get quicker and much more satisfactory service. I, therefore, most earnestly recommend the consolidation of these two offices in the interest of better service to the department and economy of time and money. The only objection that I can imagine that has any force, is that it makes one less office to pass around among the comrades. But this, in my judg-

ment, pales into utter insignificance when compared to the better and quicker service that the entire department would receive with the other method.

I found, upon taking charge of the papers of this department, that there was no record of the organization or disbandment of Posts, excepting in a few cases, where I found applications for charters, but no record of the fact that charters were granted, or authority issued to any person to institute a Post. I ascertained this fact in trying to find the date of organization and names of charter members of a certain Post.

I, therefore, suggest the propriety of the encampment directing the next Assistant Adjutant General to procure a suitable journal for the purpose of keeping a complete record of all Posts organized in this department in the future, giving name and number of Post, place of organization, list of charter members and name of instituting officer. In the disbandment of a Post, the record should also show name, number, location and date of disbandment, with a list of comrades who are entitled to transfer cards, and if cards are issued, state to whom. The record of the Council of Administration should also be kept in this journal, and many other things, which should be left to the discretion of the A. A. G. to enter therein and keep as a matter of record.

I think the encampment should be held at least two or three weeks earlier in the season. With so late a date as this, the semi-annual period closes before the books and papers of the department can be transferred into the hands of the incoming officials. The consolidated reports become due at National headquarters before the administration has time to get into communication with the Posts and correct any erroneous reports. The result is that many Posts are liable to be reported delinquent for the want of time to communicate with them to correct errors, and the department officers are severely criticised if their reports are not on time.

The work of this office is, I believe, far beyond in magnitude, the most vivid imagination of the most visionary soldier, who ever magnified the hundreds of the approaching enemy into as many thousands. I do not say this in a complaining spirit at all. I was mustered in, and I have endeavored to serve as faithfully as I did for three and one-half years in '61 to '65.

Commander, in returning to you the portfolio of this office, with which you so highly honored me a few brief months ago, allow me to tender you my most grateful remembrances for that expression of your confidence in my ability to conduct the affairs of this office, and for the very genial and kindly spirit that you have ever manifested in our intercourse during this eventful year.

To all the officers and commanders of the department with whom I have had occasion to correspond, I return my most sincere thanks, for not one unkind word or thought from one of you, has come to mar the pleasant feeling of comradeship; and while I willingly lay aside the insignia of this office, I shall ever carry with me a kindly recollection of the past year's pleasant associations.

I am very respectfully yours,

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

J. M. COMSTOCK.

Asst. Adjt. Genl.

On motion, it was ordered that the A. A. G's. report be referred to the same committee as the Department Commander's address.

It was moved and carried that this encampment do now adjourn until 2 p. m. this day.

### First Day—Afternoon Session.

Encampment reconvened at 2 p. m. and Department Commander Euck announced the following as the committee on resolutions: Comrades A. S. Cole of J. B. Steadman Post No. 24; C. W. Stewart of L. C. Ladd Post No. 17; Thos. Lavery of J. L. Reno Post No. 47; Wm. Ellingsworth of A. Lincoln Post No. 4, and G. A. Leavitt of Custer Post No. 6.

The Assistant Quartermaster General then presented the following report which was read by A. A. G., J. M. Comstock:

OFFICE OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL, }  
SPOKANE, WASH., JUNE 12, 1896. }

TO THE HON. NORMAN BUCK, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE: In compliance with rules and regulations I herewith submit my report with statement of the business transacted in this office from June 13, 1895, to June 12, 1896:

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT WITH PAST Q. M. G., J. H. WILSON.

1895.

Jan. 13	To cash on hand.....	\$ 247 10	
			\$ 247 10

*Credit:*

Jan. 14	By cash paid Thad Smith, per order of Encampment.....	\$ 100 00	
	By cash paid A. H. Lackey, per order of Encampment.....		21 50
	By cash and other expense ordered by		

Encampment.....	5 30	
Net cash received from Jas. H. Wilson.....	120 30	
		\$ 247 10

REPORT OF FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 6, 1896.

*Receipts.*

June 13	From past administration.....	\$ 120 30	
	For per capita tax for year 1895.....	939 65	
	For sale of charters.....	15 00	
	From J. H. Wilson, Past A. Q. M. G., charter fee of C. F. Page Post No. 94	10 00	
	Balance on per capita tax received after reported.....	2 40	
	Subscription to decorating Southern graves.....	5 00	
	Sale of supplies.....	160 10	
			\$ 1,252 45

*Disbursements.*

Sundries Account.

Traveling expenses, Department Com- manders.....	\$150 00	
Services of A. A. G.....	300 00	
Services of A. Q. M. G.....	100 00	
Office rent, Department headquarters..	63 50	
For per capita tax, nat'l headquarters..	56 10	
For supplies from Q. M. G.....	104 04	
For freight charges on A. A. G.'s goods.	22 98	
For freight charges on A. Q. M. G.'s goods from Seattle.....	2 45	
For postage at headquarters.....	36 00	
For draft to Q. M. G., donation to dec- orating Southern graves.....	5 00	
To J. N. Scott, Past Department Com- mander, for printing Encampment proceedings.....	232 75	
For postage for distribution of same sent to J. N. Scott.....	28 00	
For printing Rosters.....	21 60	
For printing, stationery and other inci- dentals at Department headquarters	163 18	
		\$ 1,235 60
By cash balance on hand.....		16 85
		\$ 1,252 45

## RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES.

*Resources.*

1896			
June 10	To cash balance on hand.....	\$ 16 85	
	Supplies as per inventory.....	143 89	
	Supplies, one desk.....	25 00	
	Supplies, drawers and pigeon holes.....	11 00	
	Supplies, blank case and packing box.....	34 50	
	Supplies, Department seal.....	5 00	
	Supplies, letter press and brush.....	10 25	
	Supplies, flag and banner.....	125 00	
			\$ 371 49
	Due Department from various Posts....	\$ 4 90	
	Total resources.....		\$ 376 39

*Liabilities:*

	Due various Posts.....	\$ 22 05	
	Net assets.....	354 34	
			\$ 376 39

*Supplies Account:*

	Sale including charters.....	\$ 175 10	
	Inventory June 10, 1896.....	143 89	
			\$ 318 99
	Inventory June 12, 1895.....	\$ 133 48	\$
	Purchased from Q. M. G.....	104 04	
			\$ 237 52
	Gain on supplies.....		81 47
			318 99

Consolidated reports of Post Quarter-  
masters December 31, 1895.

	Balance last report.....	\$1,384 01	
	Receipts from all sources.....	2,448 55	
			\$ 3,832 56

*Disbursements.*

	For Department per capita tax.....	\$ 459 20	
	For relief from Post fund.....	97 10	
	For all other disbursements.....	1,321 06	
	Transferred to relief fund.....	15 50	
			\$ 1,892 86
	By cash on hand.....		1,407 77
	Cash invested in collaterals.....		531 93
			\$ 3,832 56

*Relief Fund*

On hand last report.....	\$ 205 36	
Receipts from all sources.....	704 26	
		\$ 909 62
Expended during quarter.....		715 96
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Balance on hand.....	\$ 193 96	
Value of Post property		
Cash balance Post fund.....	\$1,407 77	
Cash balance relief fund.....	193 66	
Market value of real estate.....	4,124 00	
Cash invested in furniture, flags etc.....	6,581 08	

Total value of Post property..... \$12,306 51

Commander, in surrendering the office of A. Q. M. G. of this department, I desire to thank you for the honor you saw fit to confer upon me, and assure you I appreciate your personal kindness toward me during my term of office.

I think credit is due our A. A. G. for the economical and business-like manner in which he has conducted his office during the past year. You will see by my report that there is quite a falling off in the receipts of the department from last year. We have also a reduction in the expense of \$479.90 and adding the cost of the flags that were provided last year, \$133.75, making in aggregate a reduction in expenses from last year of \$613.66.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. WISCOMBE,  
A. Q. M. G.

A. A. G. Comstock moved that the report be placed on file and printed in the Journal. Motion carried.

Report of Judge Advocate General, Thomas Mattison, was then read.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
OFFICE OF JUDGE ADVOCATE. }  
TACOMA, JUNE 16, 1896. }

To J. M. COMSTOCK, A. A. G.

SIR:

I have the honor to submit as my report as Judge Advocate of the Department of Washington and Alaska, that during the years 1895-96 only questions of minor importance have come before this office. We have had no Department court-martials, and consequently no cases to review. Good order and good will have been the watchwords, and the Comrades are indeed to be congratulated on the harmony which

has prevailed throughout the Department during the past year.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

THOMAS MATTISON,  
Judge Advocate.

There being no objections the report was ordered printed in the Journal.

The report of Department Medical Director was then read.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
MEDICAL DIRECTOR'S OFFICE. }  
SPOKANE, JUNE 10, 1896. }

To NORMAN BUCK, COMMANDER.

SIR:

I have the honor to submit to you the following report of the Medical Department of Washington and Alaska. I have received reports from twenty-five Posts in the Department, being less than one-third the total number, which, being condensed, are as follows:

From July 1 to December 31, 1895.....	25 reports
From January 1 to June 10, 1896.....	No reports
Total number of deaths reported to this office.....	7
Number of deaths from wounds.....	2
Number of deaths from other causes.....	5
Amount of money disbursed for charity.....	\$1,750 00

I regret the necessity which compels me to come before the Fourteenth Annual Encampment with a report so incomplete, but as Department officers can only make their reports to the Encampment from the reports furnished by the Posts, this is the best I can do.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

B. R. FREEMAN, M. D.,  
Medical Director.

There being no objections the report was ordered printed in the Journal.

The report of Inspector General, R. B. Scott, was then read.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }  
SPOKANE, JUNE 15, 1896. }

HON. NORMAN BUCK, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE:

Having been appointed Inspector of the Department by yourself,

I have the honor to present my report of inspection of Posts of this Department.

While I have not been able personally to inspect as many Posts as I would like, the Assistant Inspectors have done the work ably with three exceptions—Post 69, South Bend; Post 71, Buckley, and Post 86, Haller City. Much delay was occasioned by these three Posts not sending their reports. The regulations on that point should be strictly adhered to so that the Department Inspector can be enabled to make a prompt and full return whenever called upon, and the Encampment can see at a glance the exact status of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Department of Washington and Alaska.

The Post of Veterans in far-off Alaska, William H. Seward, No. 36, in Juneau, situated somewhere near the north pole, responded much more promptly than others near at home.

The Department is equipped with 100 guns, while there should be a stand of arms in every Post room.

From reports made by Assistant Inspectors of Posts 45 and 59, it is evident that some action should be taken by the Department to help them along.\*

1. I find that about half of the Posts in the Department have the Ritual service fairly well committed.
2. Only a small portion of the officers and guards are uniformed and equipped.
3. With very few exceptions the officers and members are reported regular in attendance and much interested.
4. Records are reported well kept, General Orders received regularly, read and filed, and duly observed.
5. The lowest muster-in fee is 50 cents and the highest \$3.
6. The annual dues run from 50 cents to \$4.
7. But few Posts report a relief fund, as they draw from the county funds in case of needy Comrades.
8. Total amount expended for charity, \$8,856.06.
9. Only twelve Posts report school houses without flags.
10. Amount of money and other securities in hands of Quartermasters, \$2,577.19.
11. Value of other property, \$9,226.68.
12. Thirty-five Posts report no W. R. Corps in connection with Post.
13. Thirty-nine Posts report no Camp of S. of V. in connection with Post.

Respectfully yours in F. C. and L.,

R. B. SCOTT,

Inspector Department of Washington and Alaska.

Report ordered placed on file and printed in the Journal.

Department Chaplain, A. H. Lackey, of Post No. 63, then presented his report, and it transpiring that for various reasons some of the Posts of the Department had failed to make any returns to the Department Chaplain, and that several of them were anxious to do so at this time and have their reports embodied in the report of the Department Chaplain, it was then moved that the report of the Department Chaplain be held open until Thursday morning next, and that all Chaplains of Posts present, or other members, if Chaplains are not present, make reports of the doings of their Posts on Memorial Day, and have the same embodied in the report of the Department Chaplain. Motion prevailed.

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN, }  
ABERDEEN, JUNE 16, 1896. }

TO NORMAN BUCK, COMMANDER.

SIR:

I have the honor to submit the following report as Department Chaplain:

Number of Posts reporting 41, viz: 1, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15, 19, 23, 24, 25, 31, 32, 39, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 51, 56, 57, 59, 60, 62, 63, 64, 67, 68, 70, 75, 76, 81, 82, 83, 84, 87, 89 and 95.

Number of living Posts in Department, 79.

Number of soldiers and sailors graves in cemeteries decorated by the Posts, 455.

Number of soldiers and sailors buried during the year, 37.

Number of Posts owning lots in cemeteries, 20.

Number of soldiers and sailors buried in the Potter's field, 3.

Number of soldiers and sailors graves unmarked by proper headstones, 105.

Number of Posts holding Sunday Memorial services, 39.

Number of Posts holding Memorial Day exercises, 39.

Number of Comrades participating, 1,463.

Number of other organizations assisting, 14.

Greatest number with any one Post 7, 8 had none.

With Post No. 1: K. P., N. G., High School Cadets, Seattle Brigade, Police Patrol, Miller Post No. 31; with Post No. 4: W. R. C., S. of V., R. A. & N. U., Company C, W. N. G., Cadet Corps, School children, band of Fourth U. S. cavalry; with Post No. 5: Company A, W. N. G., S. of V., W. R. C., city band, school children; with Posts Nos. 8 and 47: W. R. C., S. of V., D. of V., Company B, W. N. G.,

band, W. N. G.; with Post No. 10: K. P., S. of V., I. O. O. F.; with Post No. 15: Children and teachers of the public schools; with Post No. 19: S. of V., W. R. C.; with Post No. 24: W. R. C., S. of V.; with Post No. 39: G. A. R., Company F, W. N. G.; with Post No. 39: S. of V., school children; with Post No. 48: School children, K. of P., A. O. U. W., A. R. U., band; with Post No. 51: W. R. C., band; with Post No. 56: Woodman, A. O. U. W., city council, S. of V., W. R. C.; with Post No. 57: W. R. C.; with Post No. 60: W. R. C., S. of V.; with Post No. 62: Sunday schools and district schools; with Post No. 63: W. R. C., S. of V., pupils of the Sunday and public schools; with Post No. 64: W. R. C., school children; with Post No. 70: Congregational and Catholic churches; with Post No. 75: W. R. C., S. of V.; with Post No. 76: Four Sunday schools, four churches and citizens generally; with Post No. 81: W. R. C.; with Post No. 83: Kit Carson Post No. 49, W. R. C., S. of V., L. A. S.; with Post No. 87: Custer and Sheridan Posts, W. R. C., S. of V., pupils of the South Tacoma public school; with Post No. 95: I. O. O. F., Junior Order of American Mechanics; with Post No. 59: J. S. Steadman Post No. 24, S. of V., New Whatcom; with Post No. 24: W. R. C., S. of V.; with Post No. 32: W. R. C.; with Post No. 68: Soldiers friends; with Post No. 11: W. R. C., S. of V.; with Post No. 86: K. of P., W. of W., W. R. C., S. of V., two bands; with Post No. 26: K. of P., High School Cadets, N. G. W., Police Patrol; with Post No. 6: W. R. C., Winslow and Sheridan Posts, school children,

Number in attendance taking part in the exercises, 14,375.

Character of the exercises. Marching, Ritual services, orations, recitations, original poems, decorating the soldiers graves, decorating a broken column, music—vocal and martial—prayers and firing salutes.

Orators—Citizens, 18; Comrades, 12; clergymen, 38; woman, 1, viz: Mrs. Dr. Osborn, of Tacoma.

Poets—The Rev. George H. Newman, of Colfax, Wash., read an original poem before Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 19; Mr. C. E. Harmon, of Chehalis, read an original poem before Joe Hooker Post No. 25; Comrade William Cherry read an original poem before R. L. McCook Post No. 39, of Wilbur; Mrs. E. J. Morgan, of Vashon, read an original poem before G. H. Sickles Post No. 57, of Vashon; Miss Carrie Shaw wrote an original poem which was recited by Miss Woodworth before Custer, Sheridan and Winslow Posts; Joseph Shippen read an original poem before Posts Nos. 6, 44 and 97.

1. The General Order of our Commander urging the observance of Memorial Day by the teachers and pupils of our schools, was very

cordially complied with in some places, but in most places the young people seem to have had no part in the exercises of the day. The undersigned would urge upon all our Posts the wisdom of giving the schools a prominent place in the musical, recitation and decoration exercises of that day, and thereby educate in the rising generation an abiding patriotic sentiment. Otherwise the baseball toughs will soon have possession of the day.

2. One Post has as many as thirteen soldiers' graves unmarked by any proper headstones. The provision for obtaining government headstones is so easy and cheap that there can be no excuse for such neglect of the last resting place of our gallant Comrades. There are, perhaps, 150 unmarked soldiers' graves in this Department. There are 105 reported.

3. Two Posts of those reporting seem not to have held any Sunday Memorial service. Surely some one is to blame where there is not sympathy enough between the church and the Post, or patriotism enough in the community, to hold a Sunday Memorial service.

4. One Post had only thirty persons to observe Memorial Day, and of these fourteen were soldiers, Few patriotic Americans will want to settle in a town like that.

5. In a few places stores were closed on Memorial Day during the hours of service, from 10 to 2, or from 1 to 4. But mostly the tide of business rolled on through all the day, just as though 360,000 men had never died for us.

6. At Cheney, Post No. 23, the Sons of Veterans, have erected headstones to all the unmarked soldiers' graves. They also conducted the services at the cemetery on Memorial Day. This is a good example for other camps. It is well for the Sons to be getting their hand in, for they will soon have it all to do.

7. At Olympia after the public exercises were over the Post and other orders, of whom quite a number seem to have turned out, returned to the Post hall, where a repast was prepared by the W. R. C., and at each plate was placed an appropriate motto from some verse of scripture, and tender, pathetic Memorial talks indulged in.

8. It is a matter of sad and grievous lament that in some places the moral tone of the community is so low that Memorial Day, just because it is a legal holiday, is given over to excursions, baseball games, balls and other amusements that do violence to the tender and pathetic character and spirit of the day, and contrary to request from National headquarters and the published wish and sentiment of the Grand Army of the Republic.—(Cushman.)

9. A Post, which was nameless, was spoken of in the Chaplain's report of last year as having no public "Memorial Day exercises. No flags flying. No band. No music. No procession. No address. No marching of children, etc." Our sympathy was expressed for old soldiers who had to live and die in a community so apparently unpatriotic as that. The Chaplain reports this year that the Sunday schools, the public schools and the citizens generally turned out to the number of 400, and closes his report by remarking: "Quite a contrast to last year when twenty old boys marched by themselves to the cemetery and decorated the graves, no one else taking part, and then scattered to their homes." The amount of interest manifested by the public on Memorial Day in a given place will always depend largely upon the members of the Post.

10. The number of Posts owning cemetery lots for soldiers' graves does not seem to have increased since last year. I would urge upon all Posts the necessity of attending to a matter so important as this at once. Some soldiers are poor, have no families or friends, and will have to go to the Potter's field if their Comrades do not look out for them a resting place. It will never be so easy or so cheap to furnish a soldiers' cemetery as now.

11. At the request of some Comrades who are ministers and chaplains, I respectfully recommend that a rule or practice be adopted whereby the dues of Chaplains may be remitted in consideration of extra services in visiting the sick, preaching funeral sermons, burying the dead and other ministries requiring time, labor and expense.

12. The Department Chaplain is again forced to express his mortification and regret that so many Posts have not seen fit to forward any report of their Chaplain. Fully one-half are direlect in this respect. It would seem as if our Chaplains were the most inefficient and negligent of all our officers. The respect and affection we ought to cherish for each other, the shortness of time when there will be any need for reports, as well as the pressure of official honor, should have induced every Chaplain to forward his report promptly after Memorial Day.

13. The Department Chaplain finds from his acquaintance with various Posts in the Department, that in many ways the Sons of Veterans are very helpful to the Posts, and he recommends that we urge that the way be opened to them to be admitted to our Posts as we are to their Camps.

14. I beg leave to congratulate my beloved Comrades that we have come to an era of more generous and equitable pension legislation, whereby the declining years of the grandest citizen soldiery the

world ever saw may be saved from the pinchings of poverty.

15. In closing I desire to express my sincere thanks to the Commander of the Department, Judge Norman Buck, and to the Assistant Adjutant General, for great and uniform courtesy and kindness in our official relations.

ALEX H. LACKEY,  
Department Chaplain.

It was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks of this Encampment, by a standing vote, be extended to the Department Chaplain, A. H. Lackey, for his excellent and comprehensive report. Motion carried.

Comrade W. McMicken, of Post No. 5, moved that if it is possible to ascertain where the bodies of the three soldiers mentioned in Department Chaplain's report as being buried in a Potter's field were, he, as one of the trustees of the Washington Soldiers' Home, would have them removed and buried in the cemetery at Orting. Motion prevailed.

The report of the Council of Administration was presented and read by Comrade Lichtenberg, as follows:

TACOMA, JUNE 15, 1896.

TO THE DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.

We, your C. of A., respectfully report that we have made a most thorough and complete examination of the books and vouchers of the A. Q. M. G., and take great pleasure in announcing to you that we find the books and accounts correct, and that they have been kept in a manner which reflects great credit upon that officer, and should be an example to all future A. Q. M. G.'s.

We have also examined the vouchers submitted by the Department Commander for the expenditure of the \$150 allowed him by your last Encampment for the purpose of visiting Posts, and find the same correct.

We commend the economy of the present administration in the matter of rents for the past year. The last Encampment allowed \$100 for rent of room for headquarters. Of this amount only \$63.50 was expended for that purpose, thus saving to the Department \$26.50.

We also recommend that only 600 copies of the Encampment Journal be ordered printed.

We further recommend that a committee of three be appointed by the Department Commander to submit to the next Encampment by-laws for the government of the Department.

We also recommend that the Department Commander be allowed \$150 for the coming year for the purpose of visiting Posts, and that he

furnish proper vouchers for such expenditure to the C. of A. at the close of the year.

By order of C. of A.

I. J. LICHTENBERG,  
Chairman.

On motion the report, and the recommendations therein contained, were adopted unanimously.

The following report of Comrade A. W. Hastie, Chief Mustering Officer, was read and placed on file:

DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R. }  
CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICE. }  
SEATTLE, JUNE 16, 1895. }

TO NORMAN BUCK, COMMANDER.

SIR:

I have the honor to submit to you the following report:

That since assuming my duties as Chief Mustering Officer of this Department there have been organized and mustered-in the following new Po-ts: N. B. Page Post No. 94, at Mission, Wash.; L. P. Plummer Post No. 95, at New Whatcom, Wash., and General Ewing Post No. 96, at North Bend, Wash.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. HASTIE,  
Chief Mustering Officer.

The Committee on Order of Business made the following report:

Your Committee on Order of Business recommend that the order of the Thirteenth Encampment, on page 21 of the Journal, be adopted as the order of business of the Fourteenth Encampment. That election of officers take place at 10:30 a. m. Wednesday, June 17th, and that nominating speeches be limited to five minutes.

L. H. COON, Chairman,  
G. H. BOARDMAN,  
J. M. COMSTOCK.

The following communication from A. Lincoln Post No. 4, of Walla Walla, was read:

HEADQUARTERS A. LINCOLN POST, NO. 4. }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }  
WALLA WALLA, JUNE 6, 1896. }

At a regular meeting of A. Lincoln Post No. 4, held at Walla Walla, Wash., June 6, 1896, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

"WHEREAS, It has pleased President Eliot of Harvard University

to indulge in a cruel, wicked, baseless assault upon the Grand Army of the Republic, stating among other falsehoods, that the chief purpose of the order seemed to be to procure all of the money it can from the government; therefore, be it

*“Resolved, That the Department of Washington and Alaska G. A. R. resents with righteous indignation the outrageous, false, unpatriotic, utterly un-American statements of President Eliot.”*

It was also unanimously agreed that these resolutions be presented to the Department Encampment.

L. M. LAMBERT,  
Adjutant.

On motion referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

Various communications received and referred to the Committee on Resolutions.

The Officer of the Day announced that a committee of the Sons of Veterans were at the outpost seeking admission to the Encampment. By direction of the Department Commander they were admitted and escorted to the platform and introduced to the Comrades. The committee, consisting of W. H. Cromwell, C. E. Plympton and Jos. Goldrick, then conveyed the greetings of the Seventh Annual Encampment of the Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., Division of Washington, to the Fourteenth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, which was suitably responded to by Department Commander Buck, after which the committee were escorted from the hall.

A committee from the Woman's Relief Corps was then announced and by direction of the Department Commander, were escorted to the platform, presented and introduced to the Encampment, when the Chairman, Mrs. Eva St. C. Osborne, most eloquently presented the greetings of the Eleventh convention of the W. R. C., and then read the following report of Lizzie Carnes, Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps:

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA }  
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO }  
THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }  
WALLA WALLA, JUNE, 16, 1896. }

NORMAN BUCK, DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

COMRADE:

I have the honor to extend to you, and through you, to the Fourteenth Department Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, the greetings of the Woman's Relief Corps, now in Eleventh Department convention assembled, and submit to you the following report showing our membership, the financial condition of our order, amount of relief extended and number of beneficiaries;

Expended in relief.....	\$ 715 68
Turned over to Posts.....	312 45
Estimated value, other than money.....	839 07
For National Woman's Relief Corps Home.....	10 00
For Army Nurse fund.....	1 00
Department headquarters relief.....	15 00
For Memorial Day.....	148 42
For National Relief fund.....	8 00
For Soldiers, Home at Orting.....	139 95

Total amount expended during the year.....\$2,191 57

Number of soldiers and members of families assisted.....	471
Number of members of Corps and of families assisted.....	159
Balance in Relief fund amounting to.....	\$ 379 35
Balance in General fund amounting to.....	1,387 36

I have also to report that five Corps with 167 charter members have been organized during the year, and our membership at the present time numbers 1,097.

I take pleasure in stating that harmony and good feeling have been constant, both between the Department Grand Army of the Republic and Department Woman's Relief Corps, and between Posts and Corps throughout the state.

In closing this report we would return our sincere thanks to the Comrades of the Grand Army for their words of encouragement and support given. To Comrade A. S. Gear who so kindly engrossed the charters for our new Corps, and especially would we thank the Department Commander and Assistant Adjutant General for the courtesy shown us in calling attention to Posts, through General Orders, of our work, and urging those without an Auxiliary to take steps toward organizing Corps.

Once again, the Department of Washington and Alaska Woman's Relief Corps, renew their pledge of loyalty to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

LIZZIE CARNES,

Department President.

The Department Commander detailed Commander J. W. Langley of Miller Post No. 31, to respond, which he did in most eloquent words. The delegates of the W. R. C. then withdrew.

An invitation from the Tacoma Chamber of Commerce to the members of the encampment to visit their reading rooms and placing the conveniences of that organization at the disposal of all members of this encampment, was announced by the Department Commander.

On motion, a committee of three, consisting of Comrades Harding of Post 48, Wilkin, of Post 59, and \_\_\_\_\_ were appointed as a committee to return the friendly greetings of the W. R. C.

On motion, a committee of three, consisting of Comrades S. F. Street of Post No. 1, J. P. Hoyt of Post 31, and A. L. Blair of Post 74, were appointed a committee to return the greetings of the S. of V.

The request of Silas Casey, Post No. 74, for a charter, was referred to the committee on resolutions.

On motion the encampment then adjourned till tomorrow, Wednesday, June 17, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m.

### **Second Day, Morning Session.**

Wednesday, June 17, 1896. The encampment was called to order at 10 o'clock a. m., Department Commander Norman Buck presiding. The encampment was opened with prayer by Department Chaplain A. H. Lackey. The officer of the day announced that Comrade S. G. Cosgrove, National Junior Vice Commander and Comrade Jos. Dickerson, members of the National Council of Administration, were in attendance at the Outpost to visit this encampment in their official capacity.

By order of the Department Commander the distinguished visitors were admitted and received with the honors due their rank and were escorted to seats on the platform.

Chairman Cole of the committee on resolutions, announced that that committee was ready to report, and being recognized by the chair, commenced the reading of the report and the moving of its adoption by sections, which evoked considerable debate and the referring of several of the sections back to the committee by vote of the house, whereupon the Department Commander announced that the time had arrived for taking up as a special order of business, the election of officers of the encampment for the ensuing year, and that further debate on the resolutions would be postponed until the completion of that business, but by consent of the house the balance of the report was read and on motion adopted as a whole, except as to those sections which had been referred back to the committee for further consideration.

Report of committee on resolutions as adopted.

Commander—Your committee on Resolutions beg leave to report the following:

First—We cordially recommend that the memorial on the life and services of Past Department Commander Joseph F. Sinclair, prepared and reported by Stevens Post No. 1, be adopted as the expression of this Encampment, and that said resolution be given a memorial page in our Journal.

Second—Since our last Encampment our Past Department Chaplain, Comrade D. G. LeSourd, has in the providence of God been deprived of his wife, Margaret A. LeSourd, whose joint efforts with her worthy husband have for fifteen years ministered to the physical and spiritual wants of hundreds of comrades and their families in this Department. As mother, wife and Christian worker, her memory will always be green in the hearts of those who had the pleasure of her acquaintance. Our words of condolence and sympathy are unanimously tendered to our bereaved comrade and family in this their hour of trial.

Third—Resolved, That it is the sense of this Encampment that every effort should be made throughout the Department to impress on all the people the importance of observing Memorial Day in the spirit which shall add the greatest of solemnity to all exercises on that day.

Fourth—Resolved, That it is the sense of this Encampment that all comrades should lend their efforts toward interesting all the children in schools and out to take part with us Memorial Day.

Fifth—Resolved, That more singing should be had in the posts, and frequent joint meetings of posts with all kindred and auxiliary societies is earnestly recommended.

Sixth—Resolved, That the thanks of this Department are unanimously tendered to the present commander and all of his staff for the excellent work performed by them during the last year, and for the thorough business methods they have pursued throughout their administration.

Seventh—Resolved, That the thanks of this Department are unanimously tendered to the executive committee of the city of Tacoma, who have worked so untiringly to make this Encampment a success in every particular, and the ample provision that has been made for the transaction of our business and our personal comfort while here. And we further desire to thank all of the good and loyal people of the city for the many expressions of kindness and courteous

treatment we and all of our kindred societies have received on every hand.

Respectfully Submitted,

ALBERT S. COLE,  
THOS. LAVERY,  
WM. ELLINGSWORTH,  
G. A. LEAVITT.

Nominations for the office of Department Commander being declared in order, Comrade J. M. Wiestling, Commander of Stevens Post No. 1, nominated Geo. W. Tibbetts, Stevens No. 1.

Comrade Thad. Huston, of Sheridan Post No. 44, nominated C.T. Patterson, of Winslow No. 87.

Comrade A. H. Foote, of J. F. Miller Post No. 31, presented the name of W. G. Latimer, of Miller No. 31.

The name of Comrade S. F. Street was placed in nomination.

Comrade J. J. See, of Gen. Emory Post No. 68, presented the name of I. J. Lichtenberg, of Stevens No. 1.

Comrade W. J. Alexander, Senior Vice Commander of the Department, was placed in nomination for the office of Dept. Commander.

There being no further nominations, Comrades Saling, of Sedgwick Post No. 8, and McNeil, of parsons Post No. 11, were appointed tellers and the ballot was ordered taken.

It was moved and carried that the Chairman of each delegation collect the ballots of his own delegation and deposit them as the roll was called, and it was so ordered.

A ballot was then taken which resulted as follows: Total Number of ballots cast, 205; necessary to a choice, 103.

C. T. Patterson .....	56
W. G. Latimer.....	32
S. F. Street.....	14
G. W. Tibbetts.....	15
I J. Lichtenberg .....	75
W. J. Alexander.....	12
—Johnson.....	1

None of the candidates having received the necessary number of votes for election, a second ballot was immediately ordered.

It was moved and seconded that the Chairman of each delegation collect the ballots of his delegation and announce the result to the tellers when the roll was called. The motion prevailed and it was so ordered. The second ballot was then taken and resulted as follows: Total vote cast 199, necessary to a choice 100.

C. T. Patterson .....	85
I. J. Lichtenberg .....	67
W. G. Latimer .....	38
G. W. Tibbetts .....	8
W. J. Alexander .....	1

The names of W. G. Latimer, G. W. Tibbetts, S. F. Street, W. J. Alexander and I. J. Lichtenberg were withdrawn, leaving Comrade C. T. Patterson alone in the field. It was then moved and seconded that the A. A. G. cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade C. T. Patterson for Department Commander for the ensuing year. The motion prevailing, the A. A. G. cast the vote as directed, and Comrade C. T. Patterson was declared duly elected to that office.

On motion the Encampment then adjourned till 2 p. m. this day.

**Wednesday, June 17.—Afternoon Session.**

The Encampment convened at 2 o'clock p. m. Col. W. W. Sparks, Division Commander of the Sons of Veterans of the Division of Washington, was escorted to the platform and addressed the Comrades, asking their aid in establishing camps, and making a strong plea for Vancouver as the place of the next Encampment.

Department Commander Buck responded as follows:

Commander Sparks we desire to thank you for the expressions of devotion and loyalty to the G. A. R. which you have made on behalf of yourself and the Sons of Veterans, and we wish you to convey to Comrade Geoghegan our heartfelt sympathy in this his hour of sickness. We remember with pride and gratitude his services to the country, to the state and the G. A. R., and we hope his life may be spared yet for many years. Tell him he has our heartfelt sympathy and our best wishes for his recovery. And we will give your request in regard to meeting at Vancouver due consideration.

Nominations for Senior Vice Commander of the Department being next in order, Custer Post No. 6 placed in nomination Comrade Geo. H. Boardman.

Comrade S. G. Cosgrove nominated Comrade F. M. Ellsworth of Lyon Post No. 19 of Colfax.

Comrade Boardman having withdrawn his name and no further nominations being made, on motion the A. A. G. was instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Ellsworth, and he was declared duly elected to the office of Senior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing year.

The next in order being nominations for the office of Junior Vice Department Commander, Comrades W. H. Mossman of Joe Hooker Post No. 25 of Chehalis and H. W. Doty of Pacific Post No. 48 of Port Angeles were placed in nomination, and a ballot was taken, which resulted as follows: Total vote cast, 198; necessary to a choice, 100.

W. H. Mossman .....	103
H. W. Doty .....	95

Whereupon Comrade Mossman having received a majority of the votes cast was declared duly elected to the office of Junior Vice Department Commander for the ensuing term.

Nomination and election of a Medical Director for the Department being next in order, and Comrade B. R. Freeman of Gen. J. L. Reno Post No. 47 of Spokane being the only nominee, on motion the A. A. G. was instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for that comrade, and he was declared duly elected as Department Medical Director for the coming term.

The officer of the day announced a committee from the Ladies' Aid Society in attendance at the outpost seeking admission. Commander Buck directed that they be admitted and escorted to the platform, where they were received with the usual honors and introduced to the assembly by the Commander and invited to make known their wishes, when the Chairman, Mrs. Hardy, Division President Ladies' Aid Society, extended their greetings to the Encampment.

Department Commander Buck responded in a few eloquent words expressive of the high honor conferred upon the Encampment by the visit of the delegation, and appreciation of the kind sentiments expressed by them on behalf of the Society they represented. The delegation was then escorted to the outpost.

On motion, a committee of five, consisting of Comrades A. H. Foote, of Post No. 31, C. J. McNeil, of Post No. 11, Wm. Markham, of Post No. 8, D. G. Lovell, of Post No. 6, and J. LeCornu, of Post No. 4, was appointed to return the visit of the Ladies Aid Society and convey to that organization the greeting of this Encampment.

The nomination and election of a Department Chaplain being the next order of business, Comrades J. LeCornu, of Post No. 4, of Walla Walla, and A. H. Lackey, of Post No. 63, of Aberdeen, were placed in nomination. The ballot resulted as follows: Total vote cast 207; necessary to a choice 104.

Comrade LeCornu received 84 votes and Comrade Lackey 123. Comrade A. H. Lackey having received a majority of the votes cast was declared duly elected to the office of Department Chaplain for the ensuing term.

The nomination and election of a Council of Administration was next taken up, and Comrades A. Garl, of Post 35, of Mount Vernon, L. A. Treen, of Post No. 1 of Seattle, H. S. Lillager: of Post 54 of Orting, T. M. Young, of Post No. 1 of Seattle, and Geo. Thornton, of Post No. 6 of Tacoma, were nominated. Being the only nominees, on motion, the A. A. G. was instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for these Comrades and they were declared the duly elected Council of Administration of this Department for the coming year.

Delegates to the 30th National Encampment were then nominated and elected as follows:

John R. Kinnear, No. 1, Seattle; R. G. O'Brien, No. 5, Olympia; C. H. Holmes, No. 6, Tacoma, and B. N. Bradfield, No. 6, Tacoma.

On motion John R. Kinnear was named as delegate-at-large.

A delegation from the Sons of Veterans was then admitted and introduced, who urged the selection of Vancouver as the place of meeting of the next Department Encampment.

Comrades W. M. Ellingsworth of Post No. 4 of Walla Walla, Edward Rose of Post No. 15 of Port Townsend, R. W. Williams of Post No. 35 of Mt. Vernon and R. G. Hoge of Post No. 6 of Tacoma being the only nominees for alternates to the National Encampment were unanimously elected.

NOTE:—The A. A. G. learns from National Headquarters that this Department is entitled to but three delegates, so the election of B. N. Bradfield as delegate and R. S. Hoge as alternate is void.

The next order of business was the selection of a place for the next Encampment.

Comrade C. J. McNeil of Parsons No. 11 invited the Encampment to meet at Ellensburg, while Department Chaplain A. H. Lackey extended a cordial invitation to the comrades to meet at Gray's Harbor. Comrade Thad Huston of Tacoma read a communication from the mayor and citizens of Vancouver and signed by the commander of Ellsworth Post inviting this Encampment to hold its next annual session in that city.

VANCOUVER, Wash., June 15th, 1896.

We, the undersigned, mayor of the city of Vancouver, and commander of Ellsworth Post No. 2, G. A. R., on the part of the citizens and members of the G. A. R. of Vancouver, herewith extend a cordial invitation to the Fifteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., to hold its sessions in our city, and we bespeak for all a hearty welcome on the part of our citizens and the military of the post of Vancouver Barracks,

We have ample hotel accommodations for all; our city is pleasantly located on the banks of the Columbia, and the military post of Vancouver, at which is stationed a full regiment of infantry and a troop of cavalry, is the finest in the United States, and will prove a great attraction to all visitors.

G. W. STAPLETON,

Mayor of Vancouver.

JAMES A. SNODGRASS,

Commander Ellsworth Post No. 2, G. A. R.

On motion of A. A. G. the Encampment proceeded to ballot for a place to hold the next annual Encampment, but before the taking of the ballot was completed Ellensburg and Gray's Harbor withdrew from the contest, and Vancouver was declared to be the unanimous choice of the Encampment as the place in which to hold its fifteenth annual session.

On motion it was resolved that the salaries of the A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. be fixed at the same amount as for the past year.

On motion a committee of five, consisting of Comrades Tibbitts, Coon, Saling, Holmes and ———, were appointed to notify the Sons of Veterans of the selection of Vancouver as the place of holding the next Annual Encampment.

The reports of the adjutant and quartermaster of W. B. Hazen Post No. 46 of Ritzville for the first quarter of the present year having been received and read, it was moved and seconded that when this Post remits the balance of its per capita tax for this term, viz., 75 cents; that it be placed on proper footing on the roster of the Department. The motion prevailed and it was so ordered.

The committee on the address of the Department Commander and the report of the A. A. G. then presented the following report:  
To the Fourteenth Annual Encampment of the G. A. R., Department of Washington and Alaska:

Your committee to whom was referred the address of the Department Commander, also the report of the A. A. G., beg leave to report that we have considered the same, and regard them as most excellent reports and recommend that they both be published in the report of this Encampment.

In the matter of recommendations made by the Department Commander relative to dispensing with the semi-annual meeting of the Council of Administration, we fully concur in his views therein expressed, and recommend that the same be approved and the said semi-annual meeting be dispensed with, the Department Commander to call a special meeting of the Council should circumstances demand.

The Department Commander and the A. A. G. each recommend the plan of having the offices of A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. consolidated into one, thereby saving trouble and expense in the Department business. We, therefore, recommend that the duties of these two officers be performed by the A. A. G. and he act as A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.

In the matter of keeping a journal wherein is recorded the record of the organization of each and every post, giving date of its charter, names of charter members, location, name and number and name of mustering officer, with other incidents in each post, we are reliably informed that such a record was once had and kept, and after further search and inquiry, if it cannot be found, we recommend that the A. A. G. provide a new one and keep up such a historical record of each and every post.

We further recommend that in the case of Silas Casey Post No. 74 and A. J. Smith Post No. 72, wherein it appears that the charters of said posts have been lost or destroyed; that new charters be granted to these two posts free of cost to said posts.

Regarding the safe keeping of accumulated stores at Department headquarters which are not used in the ordinary course of business, but are now carted about the state annually, we recommend that the incoming Department Commander petition our next state legislature, or arrange with some member to introduce a bill providing for the care and safe keeping of Grand Army records and mementoes of the war of 1861-5, under the custody of the state and in charge of the adjutant general of the state militia. Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. LANE,

DON G. LOVELL,

W. S. HARLAN,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted, with the exception of the section relating to the Sons of Veterans.

Comrade J. W. Langley of No. 31 moved that our delegation to the National Encampment be instructed to favor such legislation as will bring the Grand Army and the Sons of Veterans into the closest fraternal relationship consistent with the interests of both orders.

Comrade J. M. Wiestling of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle, moved as a substitute "that our delegation to the National Encampment be instructed to favor such legislation as will admit to the meetings of the Grand Army of the Republic the members of the Sons of Veterans as visitors, without giving them the right to membership or the right to vote."

The substitute motion of Comrade Weistling being put to a vote was declared carried.

On motion of Comrade M. M. Holmes, of Post No. 1, it was ordered that Comrades Langley and Wiestling prepare the substitute motion above mentioned and submit it in writing to the Encampment before final adjournment. The motion prevailing, it was so ordered.

Comrade Thad Huston then offered the following resolution:

"Resolved by this Encampment that we earnestly and heartily endorse and approve the object sought to be obtained by House Bill No. 3147 introduced by Hon. W. H. Doolittle in the 1st session of the 54th Congress, granting to Soldiers and Sailors of the late war military land warrants."

A vote being taken, the resolution was adopted.

54TH CONGRESS, 1ST SESSION. H. R. 3147.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

DECEMBER 31, 1895.

Read twice, referred to the Committee on Military Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. DOOLITTLE introduced the following bill:

Granting to soldiers and sailors of the late war military land warrants.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That every private soldier and officer who served in the army of the United States during the rebellion for ninety days, and every seaman, marine and officer who served in the Navy of the United States during the rebellion for ninety days, and who was honorably discharged from said service, or any widow or the children of such soldier, seaman, marine, or officer, shall be entitled to receive from the Government of the United States a military land warrant of one hundred and sixty acres, which may be located upon any land belonging to the United States, including the alternate reserved sections of public lands along the line of any railroad; also including any military reservations or Indian reservations that may hereafter be thrown open for actual settlement: *Provided,* That such military land warrant shall not be transferable.

SEC. 2. That in case of the death of any such soldier, officer, seaman, or marine who would be entitled to the benefits of section one of this Act, such military land warrant shall be issued to his widow, or, in case of her death, to his surviving children.

SEC. 3. That any person desiring to avail themselves of the benefits of this Act may make the location of the land in person, or by attorney in fact, at the United States land office in the district in which the land selected may be situated; and, in case the land warrant shall have been issued in the name of more than one person who are children of any such soldier, seaman, or marine, or officer then deceased, the location of the land warrant may be made by one of such children, their names all appearing in the land warrant

SEC. 4. That a reasonable fee, or compensation, to be fixed by Commissioner, shall be paid at the local United States land office by the person making an entry of lands under this Act.

Comrade J. W. Langley, of J. F. Miller Post No. 31, Seattle, offered the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That in order to carry out the spirit of the resolution reported by the committee, relating to the observance of Memorial Day, the incoming Commander be requested to require of Posts active efforts in the use of such means as shall bring to the public mind and conscience a higher appreciation of the purposes for which Memorial Day was instituted, and that Commanders of Posts be further required to inform the Department Commander from time to time as directed by orders, what means they have adopted, and so far as possible their effect upon public sentiment."

The resolution being put to a vote of the House, was adopted unanimously.

A call being made for the new Department Commander, Comrade C. T. Patterson was escorted to the platform and introduced to the Encampment, and made a few remarks expressing his thanks and appreciation of the honor conferred upon him by the Encampment.

On motion a committee of three consisting of Comrades Hastie of Stevens Post; J. H. Wilson, of Miller Post, and Thos. Matteson, of Custer Post, was appointed to prepare bylaws and report at the next Annual Encampment.

Commander M. M. Holmes, of Stevens Post, No. 1, then introduced the following:

"With great sorrow the members of this Encampment learn that Comrade O. B. Johnson, Past Commander of Stevens Post, and Past Senior Vice Commander of this department is prevented from attending this Encampment by reason of a serious and long protracted illness, though his eye is still bright, his mind still clear and his heart still warm, for several years he has been a great sufferer and for many months he has been confined to his home and has almost entirely lost the use of his limbs:

It is therefore ordered that the proper officers of this Encampment convey to Comrade Johnson our sincere sympathy in his sufferings and our earnest hope that he may recover and enliven many future Encampments with his good comradeship."

On motion the above was adopted by rising vote.

On motion of Comrade J. W. Langley, of Post No. 31, a committee of three consisting of Comrades J. W. Langley, of Post No. 31; J. T. Sherfey, of Post No. 89, and S. G. Cosgrove of Post No. 22, were appointed to wait upon the Woman's Relief Corps and invite them to unite with this Encampment in the installation of officers.

On motion a similar committee was appointed to invite the Sons of Veterans and Ladies Aid Society to join with the Encampment in the installation of officers.

On motion of Comrade M. M. Holmes, of Post No. 1, it was ordered that one hundred dollars (\$100) be allowed for rent of Head Quarters for the coming year..

Comrade George H. Boardman announced to the Encampment that the Woman's Relief Corps of this city would give an entertainment in the 9th Street Theatre this evening and that an invitation was extended by them to the Grand Army and kindred societies and their friends to attend the same free of charge.

The resolution of A. Lincoln Post, No. 4, in regard to tho alleged un-American and unpatriotic utterances of President Elliott, of Harvard University was then taken under consideration and evoked considerable debate, and the display of much fervid oratory, when Comrade A. H. Foote of Post No. 31, introduced the following substitute for the original resolution:

WHEREAS, It is reported that President Elliott of Harvard University recently descended from his high place to make a bitter assault upon the Grand Army of the Republic, containing among other offensive and libelous statements the ridiculous assertion that the chief purpose of the Order seems to be to procure all the money it can from the government; therefore, be it

*Resolved:* By this Fourteenth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic for the Department of Washington and Alaska, assembled at Tacoma, that it seems incredible that an educator of such distinguished attainments and exalted position should so far forget his dignity and his duty to be accurate and just, as to utter a slander so completely at variance with facts and history, and that in doing so he immeasurably detracted from the high esteem and regard which his countrymen and the grand men who saved the nation to liberty and

law as well as learning, always delight to extend to men of culture, and deserves therefor our most unreserved condemnation and censure.

The substitute being put to a vote, was declared carried and adopted.

On motion it was ordered that this resolution be given to the press for publication and a copy be forwarded to President Elliott and to the chairman of the Board of Trustees of Harvard University.

The Department Commander announced that the installation of officers would take place tomorrow, Thursday, June 18th, 1896, at 4 o'clock, p. m.

It was moved and seconded that the committees appointed to visit the W. R. C. and the S. of V., with the present and incoming Department Commanders, fix the time for installation and announce it later. The motion prevailing it was so ordered.

On motion the Encampment adjourned to meet Thursday, June 18th, 1896, at 4 o'clock, p. m.

**Thursday June 18, 1896.—Third Day.**

The members of the Encampment, W. R. C. and S. of V. took the cars at 10 o'clock a. m. for Orting, to spend the day at the Soldiers' Home. A soldier's dinner was served and after inspecting the buildings and grounds for a time, the party, at 3 p. m. returned to Tacoma.

**Afternoon Session.**

At 4:30 p. m. the G. A. R., W. R. C. and S. of V. united in public installation at the 9th Street Theatre.

S. G. Cosgrove, J. V. C. in Chief, being present was requested to install the officers elect of the Department of Washington and Alaska.

The following officers were then installed:

- Department Commander..... C. T. Patterson.
- Senior Vice Commander..... F. M. Ellsworth.
- Junior Vice Commander..... W. H. Mossman.
- Medical Director..... B. R. Freeman.
- Chaplain..... A. H. Lackey.
- Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quarter Master  
 General..... J. Emery.
- Council of Administration..... Abraham Garl, Geo. Thornton.

The business of the Encampment being closed it adjourned, *sine die*.  
 J. M. COMSTOCK, A. A. G.

WM. MARKHAM, Reporter.

### In Memoriam.

Joseph F. Sinclair died in California, where he had gone in search of health, on the — day of February, 1896. Comrade Sinclair was born in Guysboro county, Nova Scotia, May 28th, 1847. Early in the war he came to this country and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, and performed gallant service in the North Atlantic squadron. He was one of the storming party that captured Fort Fisher, and was wounded and captured within the works. Although recaptured, he was too badly wounded for further active service. In 1879 he came to Yakima, in this state, and since that time was actively engaged in lumbering along the line of the Northern Pacific railroad and at Ballard and in farming in Yakima county. Comrade Sinclair joined Meade Post No. 9 in 1883, and was its commander. He became a charter member of Lt. Cushing Post, No. 56, at Ballard, and was its Commander in 1890 and 1891. He was Department Chaplain in 1890, and Department Commander in 1893. He was devoted to the interest of his Comrades, sincere and earnest in his efforts to benefit them, and spared no pains to build up the order he loved so well. During his term as Department Commander he visited more Posts than any other Commander has ever done, and his administration was one of the most successful in the history of the Grand Army. He was a very devoted husband and never ceased to mourn the death of his loved and loving wife, which occurred in 1888. In a poem written May 8th, 1890, and dedicated to his daughter, Christien Gertrude, he said:

“I still love—home is broken; my family scattered wide.  
Two of them on the Atlantic, and two on the Pacific side.  
The dear wife of my bosom beneath the sod doth lay,  
Way up the Natches river, from birth place far away.”

To his surviving children, we tender our most sincere sympathy. Comrade Sinclair was a zealous and devoted member of the Grand Army of the Republic, a faithful and steadfast friend a generous and wholesouled Comrade, and a model citizen in every relation of life. We mourn his loss as a brother.

RESOLVED; by Stevens Post No. 1, that this memorial be spread upon the minutes of this Post, and that copies be sent to his children, to Lieutenant Cushing Post No. 56, and to the next Department Encampment.

H. S. KEENE, Adj't.

J. M. WIESTLING,  
Commander.

# GENERAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

SPOKANE, WASH., June 12, 1895.

GENERAL ORDERS }  
No. 1. }

I. At the Thirteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, held at Spokane, Wash., June 12 and 13, 1895, the following Comrades were elected to the offices named:

COMMANDER,

Norman Buck, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER,

W. J. Alexander, Commodore Foote Post No. 84, Sydney.

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER,

L. H. Coon, Morton Post No. 10, Snohomish.

MEDICAL DIRECTOR,

B. R. Freeman, Gen. J. L. Reno Post No. 47 Spokane.

CHAPLAIN,

A. H. Lackey, George Crook Post No. 63, Aberdeen.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION,

I. J. Lichtenberg, Stevens Post, No. 1, Seattle.

Clark Whitbeck, Wallace Post No. 64, Springdale.

W. A. Inman, Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 19, Colfax.

B. F. Copelin, General Milroy Post No. 62, Latah.

H. H. Wolf, Alfred Sully Post No. 3, Dayton.

DELEGATES TO 29TH NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT,

O. B. Hayden, Post No. 6, Tacoma.

R. R. Harding, Post No. 48, Port Angeles.

J. K. Ward, Post No. 9, North Yakima.

Joseph Dickerson, Post No. 31, Seattle.

## ALTERNATES,

Wm. Ellingsworth, Post No. 4, Walla Walla.

W. K. Griffith, Post No. 23, Cheney.

A. H. Conger, Post No. 6, Tacoma.

F. M. Ellsworth, Post No. 19, Colfax.

## II. The following staff appointments are hereby announced:

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL,

J. M. Comstock, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,

W. H. Wiscombe, Gen. J. L. Reno Post No. 47, Spokane.

JUDGE ADVOCATE,

Thos. Mattison, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma.

INSPECTOR,

R. B. Scott, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

A. W. Hastie, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

CHIEF OF STAFF,

E. P. Galbraith, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.

SENIOR AIDE-DE-CAMP,

Lt. Thos. Lavery, Gen. J. L. Reno Post No. 47, Spokane.

AIDE-DE-CAMP,

W. W. Hollingsworth, Post No. 14, Sprague.

III. Post Commanders will forward to these headquarters as early a date as possible the name of a Comrade from his Post for appointment as Aide-de-Camp.

IV. The attention of Post Commanders is called to Sec. I, Art. II, of Chap. V of the Rules and Regulations, which require the semi-annual returns of the Posts to be forwarded to Department Headquarters immediately after the close of the semi-annual period, or July 1, 1895.

It is hoped that a prompt compliance with the suggestion will be observed, so that the Department Commander may be able to forward the consolidated returns to National Headquarters by the 20th prox., as required.

The semi-annual per capita tax is 20 cents. Remittances should be by draft or money order, payable to W. H. Wiscombe, the Assistant Quartermaster General, at Spokane, Wash.

V. Department Headquarters are hereby established at Spokane, Washington, Room 32, Granite Block, and all communications should be so addressed, to the Assistant Adjutant General.

VI. In assuming command of the Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., the Commander earnestly requests the hearty

co-operation of each and every Comrade of the order in carrying out the great principles of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

By Command of

NORMAN BUCK,

Department Commander.

J. M. COMSTOCK,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

SPOKANE, WASH., Aug. 9, 1895.

GENERAL ORDERS }  
No. 2. }

I. The following additional appointments upon the Department Staff are hereby announced, and the Comrades will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Wm. Ellingsworth, No. 4, Walla Walla.

Charles H. Wilson, No. 6, Tacoma.

J. N. Koontz, No. 8, Spokane.

John G. Boyle, No. 9.

John Corothers, No. 13, Montesano.

T. E. Ross, No. 19, Colfax.

J. H. Walker, No. 22.

Patrick McDonald, No. 23, Plaza.

A. Dildine, No. 25.

L. T. Dodge, No. 31, Seattle.

J. H. Wilson, No. 31, Seattle.

J. E. Williams, No. 39.

J. C. Spaulding, No. 42.

S. M. Bartlow, No. 49.

George I. McDonnell, No. 54, Orting.

A. E. Bidgood, No. 64.

C. S. Bondurant, No. 70.

Geo. Cowler, No. 75.

W. B. Shanklin, No. 83.

Wm. Kline, No. 84.

C. T. Paterson, No. 87.

II. General Orders Nos. 12 and 13 from National Headquarters are herewith promulgated. A careful and attentive reading of these orders is urged upon all the Posts in this Department, as valuable and

definite information for all intending to attend the Twenty-ninth National Encampment to be held at Louisville, Kentucky, September 11, 12 and 13, will be found therein.

III. Information Sheet No. 2, issued by the Citizens' Committee of Louisville, Kentucky, is also enclosed for the benefit of Comrades and their friends who contemplate a trip to the Encampment, and it is hoped the Posts will give it close attention.

IV. The Department has made every possible effort to obtain special rates from Pacific coast points, but up to the present time without success. We have assurance from the Citizens' Committee at Louisville, Kentucky, that they are doing all in their power to assist us.

✓ W Notice just received from National Headquarters that they hope to complete arrangements for through special rates from Pacific coast points, and will publish same in next circular to be issued about August 10th.

Immediately upon receipt of such information a circular will be issued from these Headquarters, containing all the facts.

Notice of the location of Headquarters at Louisville, Kentucky, will be promulgated in the next circular.

On receipt of this General Order, it is desired that each Post report to these Headquarters at once the number of persons who are likely to attend the Encampment from their vicinity and would be likely to join the Headquarters party, as it will assist in getting reduced transportation.

Members of the W. R. C. and the Sons and Daughters of Veterans are also requested to communicate with these Headquarters if they desire to join in the march.

V. A large number of posts have failed to forward their Adjutant and Quartermaster's Reports for the term ending June 30, 1895.

Post Commanders are requested to give this their personal attention and to see that the reports for the semi-annual period, ending June 30, 1895, with the per capita tax of twenty cents per each member are forwarded at once. The attention of Post Commanders is also called to the request in General Order No. 1, to recommend some Comrade for Aide on the Department Commander's Staff. But few Posts have reported.

VI. Maj. N. B. Page Post, No. 94, was mustered July 1st, 1895, at Mission, Wash., by Inspector R. B. Scott, with ten members and J. McFarland as Post Commander.

J. M. COMSTOCK,  
Assistant Adjutant General,

NORMAN BUCK,  
Dept Commander,

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

SPOKANE, WASH., AUG. 27, 1896.

GENERAL ORDERS }  
No. 3. }

I. The following additional appointments upon the Department Staff are announced, and the comrades will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

William Ellingsworth, No. 4, Walla Walla.

Edgar Willoughby, No. 76, Kent.

II. Headquarters of the Department contemplate leaving Spokane over the Great Northern Railway, Wednesday morning, Sept. 4, at 9:05 a. m. The comrades of this Department who attend the Encampment are requested to meet at the office of the Gault House at 9 a. m., Sept. 11, 1895.

III. The officers of the National Department, the Citizens' Committee of Louisville, Ky., and the officers of the Department of Washington and Alaska have made every possible effort to get some concession in the way of reduced rates. The Great Northern Railway Co. has agreed to give the comrades attending the National Encampment at Louisville, Ky., the same rates as given the Knights Templar viz: one fare for the round trip from points in Montana. We recommend to all who desire to avail themselves of this arrangement to purchase round trip tickets to Spokane, and from there through trip tickets to Louisville, Ky., and return will be arranged for at a cost of \$73.35.

If the comrades desire they may communicate with the Assistant Adjutant General for further information, or call upon him at the corner of Riverside and Washington streets, in the Crescent store, and he will assist them in procuring tickets.

NORMAN BUCK,

Dept. Com.

J. M. COMSTOCK,  
Asst. Adjt. Gen.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

SPOKANE, WASH., Oct. 21, 1895.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 4. }

I. The Twenty-ninth National Encampment held at Louisville, Kentucky, September 12 and 13, 1895, has gone into history as one of

the most brilliant and fraternal gatherings of the veterans since the organization of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Department Commander and Staff regret that they were unable to attend and participate in the fraternal greetings which took place for the first time on Southern soil. However, the Department was ably represented by Past Department Commander S. G. Cosgrove, and a full delegation of representatives, and from the results of the work of the Encampment the Commander is gratified in saying that the Department lost nothing by the absence of the Commander and his Staff.

II. Past Department Commander S. G. Cosgrove, of McDowell Post, No. 22, Pomeroy, Washington, was elected Junior Vice Commander-in-Chief. This is a well merited recognition of the Comrade and the great Northwest which every Grand Army man of this jurisdiction should highly appreciate.

III. Joseph Dickerson of John F. Miller Post No. 32, Seattle, Wash., was nominated and confirmed as a member of the National Council of Administration for the Department of Washington and Alaska.

IV. In obedience to General Orders No. 2, the Department Commander recommends the following comrades as Aides-de-Camp on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief:

J. W. Langley, John F. Miller Post, No. 31.

Thad Huston, Custer Post, No. 6.

John D. Geoghogan, Ellsworth Post, No. 2.

W. A. Cannon, Sedgwick Post, No. 8.

W. H. Spencer, E. J. Houghton Post, No. 35.

Assistant Inspector General—A. E. Dearborn, T. P. Price Post, No. 82.

V. The following additional appointments on the staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

To be Aides-de-Camp:

John Wickham, C. W. H. Bently Post, No. 60.

Al. Vrooman, A. J. Smith Post, No. 72.

Edgar Willoughby, Hiram Burnham Post, No. 76.

W. W. Westacott, John A. Logan Post, No. 16.

In this connection the Department Commander desires to again call attention to General Orders No. 1, requesting the name of a comrade to be appointed as Aid-de-Camp. Not half of the Posts in the Department have complied with this order.

VI. Preparations should now be made for the annual inspection,

which must occur before Dec. 20, 1894. According to the rules of our order Posts must be inspected before the officers for the ensuing year can be installed. Post Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters are requested to especially prepare themselves for inspection by a careful study of the requirements of the rules and regulations as laid down in the service book, which all Assistant Inspectors are directed to strictly follow. Post Commanders, on receipt of this order, are directed to immediately transmit to this office the name of a comrade of his own or closely adjoining Post to act as Assistant Inspector. Great care should be exercised in the selection of these comrades in order that the inspection may be thorough and a credit to all concerned. As soon as the Assistant Inspectors are named in General Orders, which will be issued about Nov. 15th, the necessary blanks for inspection will be forwarded to the Adjutants of each Post.

VII. The Department Commander sincerely regrets that a few Posts are still delinquent with their reports for June 30, 1895. It is hoped that this brief admonition may spur them to immediate action and to see that the reports are forwarded at once. And may it also act as a gentle reminder to all Posts in the Department to be prepared to forward their reports promptly at the close of the year.

VIII. The Department Commander desires at the approach of the long winter evenings to urge all members of the order to renewed zeal and determination to induce all delinquents to return, and to urge all who have never joined to delay no longer.

The time will come ere long when the descendants of the members of the Grand Army of the Republic will take great pride in the display of the button and the badge and other official evidence of our association in this grand organization.

See to it that all the old soldiers may at once realize this fact, so as not to allow their descendants to say that their ancestors, if old soldiers at all, must have been indifferant or half loyal ones, or they would have joined this fraternal organization in order to have perpetuated their connection with the Union cause, in the most durable form.

IX. The Department Commander's attention has been called to the manner in which the soldiers' relief fund is being distributed to its intended beneficiaries, and would therefore call the especial attention of the Posts of this Department to Chapter 8, Volume 1 of Hill's Code, providing for the relief of indigent soldiers, sailors, and their families.

Section 1292 requires that in October of each year the Post Commanders shall make a detailed statement to the County Auditor of the

amount of relief furnished during the preceeding year, with the names of those to whom relief has been furnished, and at the same time give notice to the Auditor that the Post intends to continue such relief as is provided by this chapter for the coming year. Such notice must also contain the names of the relief committee, the Commander and other officers of the Post. This should be done in October. Please attend to it at once.

The Department Commander urges each Post Commander to procure this law, which may be found in the general statutes of the state, and also in the Encampment Journal, or roster of 1891, and to study its provisions carefully, particularly in relation to the method of drawing the money, and distributing it, and to see that the spirit and intent of the law is strictly adhered to. If we do not, in the distribution of this fund, adhere strictly to the law, those who do not like its provisions will have a lever with which to procure its repeal. The state has generously provided for the indigent veterans of the war, and if they do not receive this benefit, it will be our own fault.

X. General Orders from National Headquarters are herewith enclosed, which Post Adjutants are requested to carefully read to their Posts.

By command of

NORMAN BUCK,  
Department Commander.

Official:

J. M. COMSTOCK,  
Asst. Adj. Gen.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
 GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

SPOKANE, WASH., Nov. 13th, 1895.

GENERAL ORDERS }  
 NO. 5. }

I. The rules and regulations of our order require that an inspection of the Posts of this Department be held previous to December 20, 1895. Post Commanders are hereby charged with the duty of seeing that this service is properly performed within the time named. It is hoped that the officers of the Posts and the Assistant Inspectors whose duty it is to perform this service, will each previously prepare themselves for the duties of the occasion, so that the inspection, which is of vital importance to our order, may be executed in a manner creditable to our organization. It is especially urged that every member of the order be present. The inspection should be held on the evening designated, but may be held before or after, if it is impossible to comply with this order.

II. The blanks, upon which the Assistant Inspectors are required to make their reports, will be forwarded to the Commanders or Adjutants of the Posts, and they are directed to turn them over to the Assistant Inspectors, who will make said reports in duplicate, file one copy with the Adjutant and immediately forward the others to these headquarters in the enclosed addressed envelope.

III. The following Comrades are hereby detailed as Assistant Inspectors, and assigned to do duty as follows:

No	Post.	PLACE.	ASS'T INSPECTOR.	DATE.	No Mem	No. Rep
1	Stevens.....	Seattle .....	A. W. Hastie.....	Dec 10	22	11
2	Ellsworth.....	Vancouver....	J. D. Geoghegan..	Dec 13	25	2
3	Alfred Sully....	Dayton.....	H. H. Wolf.....	Dec 11	56	3
4	A. Lincoln.....	Walla Walla..	B. C. Bedell.....	Dec 14	62	3
5	G. H. Thomas....	Olympia.....	A. H. Adams.....	Dec 6	51	3
6	Custer.....	Tacoma.....	W. H. Jennings..	Dec 14	163	8
7	P. H. Kearney..	Toledo.....	W. I. Byham.....	Nov 30	16	1
8	Sedgwick.....	Spokane.....	W. H. Wiscombe..	Dec 10	74	4
9	Meade.....	N. Yakima....	J. K. Ward.....	Nov 23	40	2
10	Morton.....	Snohomish....	L. H. Coon.....	Nov 30	37	2
11	Jos. Parson.....	Ellensburg..	J. L. Brown.....	Dec 10	34	2
12	McPherson.....	Kalama.....	L. H. Malone.....	Dec 14	13	1
13	Garfield.....	Montesano...	G. W. Royington..	Dec 6	23	1
14	P. H. Buckman..	Sprague.....	WWHollingsworth	Dec 7	24	1
15	Farragut.....	Pt. Townsend.	D. M. Littlefield..	Dec 9	60	3
16	J. A. Logan.....	Garfield.....	J. S. Buck.....	Dec 14	19	1
17	L. C. Ladd.....	Puyallup.....	Geo. Thornton....	Dec 14	19	1
18	Larabee.....	La Conner....	E. Bristow.....	Dec 14	25	1
19	Nat'h. Lyon....	Colfax.....	A. P. Hall.....	Dec 7	31	2
20	Baker.....	Goldendale...	E. W. Pike.....	Dec 17	28	1

No	Post.	PLACE.	ASS'T INSPECTOR.	DATE.	No. Mem	No. Rep
22	McDowell.....	Pomeroy.....	S. C. Cosgrove....	Dec 6	37	2
23	Geo. Wright.....	Cheney.....	S. G. Grubb.....	Dec 13	17	1
24	J. B. Steadman..	New Whatcom	C. T. Lothrop....	Dec 11	79	4
25	Joe Hooker.....	Chehalis.....	A. E. Dearborn....	Dec 7	20	1
27	Canby.....	Ilwaco.....	D. Markham.....	Dec 12	17	1
29	Maj. Anderson..	Palouse.....	J. L. Dutton.....	Nov 23	10	1
30	O. M. Mitchell..	Camas.....	J. H. Thomas.....	Dec 13	14	1
31	J. F. Miller.....	Seattle.....	A. W. Hastie.....	Dec 17	252	13
32	Reynolds.....	Blaine.....	L. Schaffner.....	Dec 14	7	1
34	Lindsay.....	Rosalia.....	J. Stwan.....	Dec 14	7	1
35	D. A. Russell...	Mt. Vernon...	W. Brown.....	Dec 7	36	2
36	W. H. Seward...	Juneau, Alaska	J. W. Thompson..	Dec 10	21	1
37	J. J. Lewis.....	Asotin.....	H. G. Phillips....	Dec 4	22	1
39	R. L. McCook...	Wilbur.....	H. F. Warren.....	Nov 23	38	2
41	J. B. Wyman...	Rockford.....	J. R. Creighton...	Nov 30	15	1
42	Lynch.....	Dynden.....	A. J. Koscoe.....	Dec 14	16	1
43	W. S. Hancock..	Cosmopolis...	J. O. Wilson.....	Dec 7	16	1
44	P. H. Sheridan..	Tacoma.....	D. G. Lovell.....	Dec 12	34	2
45	H. A. Miles.....	Waterville...	M. I. Young.....	Dec 14	18	1
47	Reno.....	Spokane.....	W. A. Cannon....	Dec 9	65	3
48	Pacific.....	Port Angeles.	P. W. Gallup.....	Dec 6	37	2
49	Kit Carson.....	Kelso.....	J. W. Moon.....	Dec 7	18	1
51	Gen. Grover.....	Auburn.....	J. S. Sinclair.....	Dec 14	18	1
52	Washington.....	Hoquiam.....	W. E. Rockwell...	Dec 11	20	1
53	Whitman.....	Pullman.....	W. A. Innman....	Dec 14	23	1
54	C. M. Reed.....	Orting.....	G. H. Boardman..	Dec 18	19	1
55	T. T. Miror.....	Winlock.....	G. W. Dewey.....	Nov 23	9	1
56	Lt. Cushing.....	Ballard.....	S. Sanleer.....	Dec 14	31	2
57	H. G. Sickles...	Vashon.....	S. E. Pell.....	Dec 16	17	1
58	C. M. Kellogg...	West Fernale.	C. T. Lothrop....	Dec 14	12	1
59	C. R. Apperson..	Fairhaven...	J. Broyles.....	Dec 9	24	1
60	C. W. H. Bently.	Crescent.....	J. Jackson.....	Nov 16	17	1
61	J. J. Anderson..	Okeedale.....	T. Y. Williams....	Dec 14	17	1
62	Gen. Milroy.....	Latah.....	J. Creighton.....	Nov 16	24	1
63	Geo. Groom.....	Aberdeen...	A. H. Hackey....	Dec 17	20	1
64	Wollace.....	Springdale...	D. C. Ely.....	Dec 14	18	1
66	Admiral Porter..	Mossy Rock...	David Smith.....	Dec 14	15	1
67	B. F. Stephenson	Sumas City...	G. D. Smith.....	Dec 13	12	1
68	Gen. Emory.....	Anacortes....	A. J. Crookham...	Dec 7	7	1
69	J. C. Freemont..	South Bend...	G. W. Olney.....	Dec 2	19	1
70	Union.....	Chewelah....	C. S. Bondurant..	Dec 7	19	1
71	J. A. Reynolds..	Buckley.....	John Beverley...	Dec 14	17	1
72	A. J. Smith.....	Wayside.....	H. G. Stratton...	Nov 26	24	1
73	Everett.....	Sumner.....	S. C. Nicholson...	Dec 6	15	1
74	Silas Casey.....	Friday Harbor	R. A. Guffey.....	Dec 2	7	1
75	E. J. Houghton..	Harvey.....	W. H. Overman...	Dec 14	14	1
76	H. Bunham.....	Kent.....	S. C. Nicholson...	Dec 7	17	1
80	H. R. Loomis...	Gig Harbor...	Don. G. Lovell...	Dec 14	17	1
81	Worthington...	Elma.....	M. A. Holcomb...	Dec 6	14	1
82	T. P. Price.....	Centralia.....	C. H. Manning....	Dec 12	45	2
83	Gen. Sanders...	Kelso.....	Henry Allen.....	Dec 14	17	1

No	POST.	PLACE.	ASS'T INSPECTOR	DATE.	No Mem	No. Rep
84	Com. Foote.....	Sidney.....	J. B. Clark.....	Dec 18	22	1
86	E. M. Stanton...	Haller City....	Thomas Moran...	Dec 14	18	1
87	J. A. Winslow...	Excelsior.....	S. V. Isenberg....	Dec 6	30	1
88	Gen. F. Lander..	Farmington...	Richard Traux....	Dec 14	19	1
89	John Buford.....	Everett.....	S. F. Street.....	Dec 19	18	1
90	Col. E. E. Cross	Shelton.....	E. Dunbar.....	Dec 7	19	1
92	D. Chaplain.....	Coupeville....	Charles Eaton....	Dec 13	12	1
93	Gsn. Rusk.....	Harrington....	J. L. Stewart.....	Nov 30	16	1
94	N. B. Page.....	Mission.....	Wm Spain.....	Nov 30	10	1

IV. Upon receiving this notice, the comrades herein detailed as Assistant Inspectors, will at once notify the Commander of the Post which they are to inspect, if they are unable to serve, when the Post Commander or Senior Officer present at the next meeting, will detail a comrade to perform that duty, or if the Assistant Inspector fails to appear on the night fixed for inspection, the Post Commander will at once detail a comrade to inspect the Post and make the regular report. In no case can the inspection be omitted, as the newly elected officers cannot be installed until after the inspection. The form of the inspection as laid down in the service book will be strictly followed.

Assistant Inspectors are requested to report the amount of money drawn and disbursed by each Post from the Soldiers' County Relief Fund, between Oct. 1, 1894 and Oct. 1, 1895, and to carefully fill all blanks on their report.

V. As there is no allowance made for payment of Assistant Inspectors the Department Commander desires that every possible courtesy be extended to them, and when from an adjoining Post they should be freely entertained, and all necessary outlay of money be refunded by the Post inspected.

VI. By error in General Orders No. 4, Comrade Thad. Huston was recommended as Aide-de-Camp on staff of the Commander-in-Chief, from Custer Post. No. 6. It should have been P. H. Sheridan Post No. 44.

VII. The following additional aides-de-camp on the staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

- C. H. Wilson, Custer Post, No. 6.
- D. F. West, J. J. Dewis Post, No. 37.
- B. Steinauer, Lieut. Cushing Post, No. 56.
- R. A. Guffey, Everett Post, No. 73.
- H. L. Alden, E. E. Cross Post, No. 90.
- W. C. Ellsworth, Pacific Post, No. 48.
- Peter Mutty, Farragut Post No. 15.

VIII. The attention of delinquent Posts is directed to the Rules and Regulations which debars them from installation and representation until back dues are paid. The following Posts are delinquent with their reports: Nos. 29, 32, 45, 55, 61, 63, 69, 74, 86, 88, and are thus debarred; but the Department Commander hopes that each Post so disqualified will send in their reports and per capita tax before the year closes, so that we may be able to make a clean report for December 31, 1895.

IX. Great care should be exercised in the selection of your officers and representatives. The Commander, Adjutant, Quartermaster and Officer of the Day, should be selected for their especial fitness and love of the position which they are called upon to fill. The stability and prosperity of the Posts depend largely upon the zeal and fidelity of these officers. In electing representatives, the same care should guide you, and see to it that the comrades elected are pledged to attend the encampment.

X. The annual election of Post Officers, Representatives and Alternates to the 14th Department Encampment will be held on the first stated meeting of each Post in December. The officers then elected, to be installed at the first stated meeting in January, 1896, and may be public if the Post so desires.

XI. Blanks accompany this order, which the Post Commanders are directed to carefully fill and forward to this office immediately after the election.

XII. Each Post is entitled to elect one representative and one alternate for every twenty members and one additional for a majority fraction thereof, as shown by the June reports. This order elsewhere designates the number of members in each Post, and the Number of representatives to which each is entitled. Great care should be taken to write the name of the officers and delegates very plainly, and also to give the address of the newly elected Post Commander.

XIII. J. B Wyman Post, No. 41, having paid the per capita tax as required by the 13th Department Encampment is again in line, and doing good work in the order.

XIV. As but a small portion of the Posts have responded in naming a comrade for Assistant Inspector, the Department Commander has completed the list in accordance with the best information obtainable.

By Command of

NORMAN BUCK,  
Department Commander,

Official:

J. M. COMSTOCK,  
Asst. Adjt. Gen.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

SPOKANE, WASH., December 2nd, 1895.

GENERAL ORDERS }  
No. 6. }

I. The closing but very important act of the present Post officers is making out, immediately after the last meeting in this month, the semi-annual reports for December 31, 1895.

Duplicate blanks for Adjutant, Quartermaster, Surgeon and Installing Officer, are herewith enclosed. These reports should be made out in duplicate, one copy of each filed with the Adjutant, and the others forwarded to the Ass. Adjt. Gen. at Spokane, Wash. The order for the per capita tax, (20c. per member) should be made payable to W. H. Wiscombe, A. Q. M. G., and forwarded with the Adjt. and Q. M's reports, to the A. A. G.

The A. A. G. is very anxious that his consolidated report, for Dec. 31st, 1895, shall be among the first to reach National Headquarters. This can only be done, by the hearty co-operation of all Post Commanders, Adjt. and Quartermasters. Then comrades he asks you to unite with him, and do your part, to carry out this order in a prompt military manner. If on receipt of these blanks, the officers of any Post decide that they cannot make their reports and forward the per capita tax, immediately after the close of the last meeting in Dec., the A. A. G. requests them to send him notice of that fact as soon as ascertained and then he will not delay his report, for returns that never come.

If all Post Commanders will only bear this order in mind, there is no reason why the A. A. G's report should not reach National Headquarters very soon after the 1st of January, 1896. Comrades, the A. A. G. appeals to you for this assistance, and as in the years long gone by, you always responded promptly to the bugle call, he believes you will do so now. *The figures in red ink are the number in good standing on last report, and must not be changed.* Great care should be exercised that the number on the Adjutants and Quartermasters reports should agree.

II. The rules of our order require that the installation of officers take place on the first stated meeting in January. In the absence of a special detail from these Headquarters to act as installing officer, the Post Commande rmay detail a Past Commander to perform that duty. Such installing officers are directed to see that the Posts comply strictly with the Rules and Regulations, in forwarding their reports, in requiring a suitable bond for the Q. M., and being properly inspected before installation. Blanks for the reports of installing officers will be found

at Post Headquarters, and these when filled should be forwarded to the A. A. G. Installing officers will follow the form laid down in the service book for installation. All communications directed to Department Headquarters should be addressed to the A. A. G.

III. In accordance with General Order No. 4, National Headquarters, Comrade Leonard M. Lambert of A. Lincoln Post No. 4, is hereby recommended as special Aide in charge of military instruction in public schools for the Department of Washington and Alaska, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

IV. General Orders No. 3 and 4 from National Headquarters are transmitted herewith, and the attention of Posts is especially called to the changes in the Rules and Regulations made by the last National Encampment. A few copies of the new Rules and Regulations have been received, and others ordered, and as soon as received one copy will be forwarded to each Post.

V. U. S. Grant Post No. 91, Orting, Wash., surrendered its charter November 14, 1895, and is hereby disbanded. Philo Buckman Post No. 14, Sprague, Wash., lost its charter in the recent fire. A new charter has been issued and the Post is again ready for active work.

VI. The attention of adjutants is especially called to the mortuary reports of their Posts. It is hoped that the death rate for the year will be very small, but the A. A. G. desires accuracy for future use.

VII. The following additional Aides-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

A. S. Cristman, No. 57, Vashon.

A. H. Wright, No. 67, Sumas City,

John Convery, No. 1, Seatt.e.

Philip Hiltz, No. 5, Olympia.

M. W. Forrest, No. 25, Chehalis,

By Command of

NORMAN BUCK,

Department Commander.

Official:

J. M. COMSTOCK,

Asst. Adjt. Gen.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

SPOKANE, WASH., Feb. 21, 1896.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 7. }

I. The Council of Administration met at Headquarters in Spokane Feb. 21st, and fixed the date of the 14th Encampment for the Department of Washington and Alaska. The Encampment will convene at Tacoma, Wash., June 16th, at 10:30 a. m. and continue through the 17th, 18th and 19th.

Arrangements will be made by Special Encampment Committee at Tacoma for special rates of transportation over the various lines to and from the Encampment, and will be published in future orders.

II. The National countersign for 1896 has been received and with the Department countersign has been forwarded to all Post Commanders. If any have failed to receive them they will be again forwarded on application.

III. In accordance with General Orders No. 4, National Headquarters, Comrade L. M. Lambert of A. Lincoln Post No. 4, Walla Walla, has been appointed Special Aide, in charge of Military instruction in Public Schools for the Department of Washington and Alaska.

The following Comrades are hereby appointed as Assistant Aides to Comrade L. M. Lambert and will report to him for instructions.

Amos Brown, Miller Post, No. 31, Seattle.

J. D. Geoghegan, Ellsworth Post, No. 2, Vancouver.

L. B. Strayer, Custer Post, No. 6, Tacoma.

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

J. W. Brock, Lincoln Post, No. 4, Walla Walla.

F. P. Weymouth, Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane.

F. J. Call, Buford Post, No. 89, Everett.

J. C. Musgrave, Steadman Post, No 24, New Whatcom.

IV. An error in the publication of the recent Journal of the 13th Encampment, occurred in the tabulated statement of the Inspector, wherein A. Lincoln Post No. 4, was reported as having only \$10.25 cash on hand and \$5 in other property. It should have read \$102.50 in cash and \$500 in other property.

V. The A. A. G. is now preparing for publication the G. A. R. Roster of this Department for the year 1896, and in order to make it complete he desires the name of every Post Commander, Adjutant

and Quartermaster. The following Posts have failed to forward their installation reports, which contain the names of these officers: 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 18, 19, 20, 22, 55, 30, 49, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 58, 60, 63, 64, 68, 69, 71, 74, 88 and 93.

The following Posts have not forwarded their inspection reports: 69, 71 and 86.

The following Posts have failed to report the names of the delegates, alternates and past Post Commanders—the election reports: 7, 9, 11, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 34, 55, 57, 69, 72, 76, 81, 82, 86 and 94.

COMMANDERS OF ADJUTANTS ARE REQUESTED TO SEE THAT THIS INFORMATION IS FURNISHED BY RETURN MAIL, OR THE ROSTER SO FAR AS THEIR POSTS ARE CONCERNED WILL BE INCOMPLETE.

VI. W. S. Hancock Post, No. 43, Cosmopolis, and J. J. Andrews, No. 61, Oakesdale, Wash., have surrendered their charters, and under the order of the Council of Administration they are hereby declared disbanded.

VII. The Department Commander desires to compliment the Posts of the Department on the promptness with which most of the reports have been forwarded. All Post Adjutant and Quartermasters reports with per capita tax, have been received except Post No. 69. The reports show a gain of 133 members over the reports of June 30, '95. The Commander wishes to further congratulate the entire organization, upon the happy and harmonious condition prevailing throughout the entire Department. But little friction is observable among the various Posts, showing that our cardinal principals of F. C. and L. are being transformed into the hearts and actions of the Comrades.

General Emory Post, No. 68, Anacortes, has the honor of having the largest per cent of gain of any Post in the Department, for the quarter just closed. They show a gain of 128 per cent.

VIII. News has just reached these Headquarters that Past Department Commander Joseph F. Sinclair has answered the roll call on the other side. His funeral occurs at his home in North Yakima, Feb. 22, 1896.

The Posts will see that their charters are properly draped during the next thirty days, in memory of their Past Commander.

By Command of

NORMAN BUCK,

Department Commander.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, }  
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SPOKANE, WASH., April 29, 1896.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 8. }

I. "MEMORIAL DAY" is again approaching, the day when the heart of the *Nation* should be turned in grateful remembrance of the mighty sacrifice of life which was offered on the bloody altar of her salvation. In compliance with General Orders from National Headquarters, the Posts of this Department will arrange for the proper observance of "*Memorial Day*" on Wednesday, May 30th.

The Department Commander earnestly urges every Post in the Department to invite the W. R. C., the Sons and Daughters of Veterans, the school children and all people to unite with them in making more extensive preparations than heretofore, if possible, to fittingly commemorate the heroism and devotion of the loyal hearts whose lives were given that the Nation, AS ONE might exist.

The Commander desires to most emphatically emphasize the fact that "Memorial Day" is not alone the especial province of these patriotic societies, but that the entire people, the Nation as one individual, should rise on this day to teach the great object lesson of patriotism, and with an ever increasing zeal on each recurring anniversary. Even the Natal day of our republic should not awaken a more intense emotion of loyalty and gratitude.

As we approach the cemeteries wherein the dust of our comrades hallow its sacred ground, let us not forget that they met the enemies of freedom with a devotion and loyalty unequalled in the annals of war, and resolve that while life lasts, we will ever keep their memories fresh and green, by strewing the sweetest flowers which loving hearts and hands can pluck, and place them on their mounds, as a comrade's tribute of affection, for their sacrifices in maintaining the honor of our country, and the supremacy of its flag.

The Commander most deeply regrets that so many people of the Nation are taking advantage of the legal holiday to transform it into a day of recreation and festivity, with general sports and games and its noisy accompaniments. He therefore urges that the Comrades and the people in sympathy with the true spirit of "*Memorial Day*," do all in their power to discountenance and discourage such desecration, and try to mould public opinion along the line of proper reverence for these solemn services.

The Post Commanders are also reminded that "*Memorial Sun-*

day" falls on May 24th, and they are directed to see that their Posts assemble and carry out the usual custom of attending Divine service in a body.

II. The Department Commander desires to call the especial attention of all Posts in this Department to the noble work which the Woman's Relief Corps is performing as auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. This is the only order that is recognized as auxiliary to the G. A. R., either by the National or Department Encampments.

It is hoped that every Post in the Department will fully appreciate the great benefits to be derived from the organization of a Corps in connection with the Post, and that applications for charters will be at once forwarded to the Department President of the W. R. C., Lizzie Carnes, at Walla Walla, Wash.

III. General Orders No. 7 from National Headquarters are herewith transmitted, and special attention is called to paragraph six of said order.

IV. L. P. Plummer Post, No. 95, and Gen. Ewing Post, No. 96, have recently been organized, and a cordial welcome into the comradeship of the G. A. R. should be extended.

V. By a clerical error the name of Thad S. Smith, Farragut No. 15, was omitted from the list of Assistant Aides on the staff of L. M. Lambert, and J. C. Musgrave was incorrectly spelled.

VI. The necessary blanks for reports of the semi-annual period ending June 30, 1896, are herewith enclosed. The Adjutants' and Quartermasters' reports should not be forwarded until notice is received from Department Headquarters of the name and location of the incoming administration. *If Post Commanders will take special notice of this suggestion, much confusion and annoyance to both the old and new officers will be avoided, and even loss of reports are liable to occur by being thus missent*

The Chaplains' blanks, also enclosed should be filled out by the Post Chaplains immediately after "Memorial Day" and forwarded to Department Chaplain A. H. Lackey, Aberdeen, Wash. It is hoped that Post Commanders will see that the Chaplains' reports are forwarded promptly, as the Department Chaplain has to consolidate these reports and present same to the Encampment, June 16th, at Tacoma. Promptness in this matter is earnestly requested.

J. M. Flynn, Adjutant of the Oregon Soldiers' Home at Roseburg, Or., wishes to know if there are any men living in Washington who

served in Co. A. 1st Washington Territory Infantry, from March 10, 1862, to Feb. 11, 1863. If any Post or Comrade has knowledge of any such soldier kindly send in his name and address to Comrade Flynn.

VIII. The Eleventh Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Washington and Alaska will assemble in Masonic Hall, Tacoma, June 16, 1896.

The next Encampment of the Washington Division, Sons of Veterans will be held at Tacoma, June 16th.

IX. A full and complete program of the exercises, with general instructions for the Encampment to be held at Tacoma, June 16th to 19th, will be published in the next G. O.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA. }  
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SPOKANE, WASH., May 15, 1896.

GENERAL ORDERS, }  
No. 9. }

I. The Fourteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, will, by order of the Council of Administration, convene at Tacoma, Washington, Tuesday, June 16, 1896, at 10 o'clock a. m. in the Ninth Street Theatre.

II. Department Headquarters will be established at Hotel Tacoma, June 15, 1896.

III. The Department Council of Administration will meet at headquarters in Hotel Tacoma, Monday evening, June 15th, at 8 o'clock p. m.

IV. Comrades J. M. Comstock, A. A. G., John P. Hoyt, Stevens Post, No. 1, H. T. Young, Thomas Post, No. 5, R. G. Hoge, Custer Post, No. 6, W. A. Wagner, Sheridan Post, No. 44, are hereby appointed a committee on credentials, and are directed to meet at Department Headquarters, Hotel Tacoma, June 16th, at 8:30 a. m., for active service.

The committee would suggest that in order to simplify and expedite the work, that each Post select a chairman of their delegation,

and see that he is provided with a complete list of Past Post Commanders, Delegates and Alternates, who are entitled to seats; and also be able to inform the committee which Comrades of the Delegation will be present at the Encampment. The Chairman of the different Post delegations will be admitted to the committee room, and all changes that have been made in their delegations since the election last December, should be reported to the committee.

V. Comrade William Markham, of Sedgewick Post, No. 8, is hereby detailed to assist the Assistant Adjutant General during the Encampment. Comrade C. T. Patterson, of Winslow Post, No. 87, is detailed as Marshall in Chief; L. B. Strayer, of Custer Post, No. 6, as Officer of the Day; J. E. Noel, of Custer, No. 6, as Officer of the Guard.

VI. The books of the A. A. G. and the A. Q. M. G. will be closed June 6th. Post Commanders should see that all needed supplies are secured before that time, as nothing will be sent out from these Headquarters after that date.

VII. Headquarters will leave Spokane over the Northern Pacific June 14th, at 3 o'clock p. m., reaching Tacoma early in the day of June 15th. All comrades and members of the W. R. C. and S. of V. of Spokane and surrounding towns, who expect to attend the Encampments, are most cordially invited to join the Headquarters contingent.

VIII. The attention of Post Commanders is again called to the suggestion made in G. O. No. 8, section 6, that the Adjutant's and Quartermaster's reports be held by the P. C. until notice is received of the name and location of the incoming administration, when they should be promptly forwarded to the newly appointed Assistant Adjutant General. Per capita for semi-annual period, 20 cents per member.

IX. The local executive committee of arrangements, at Tacoma, of which Comrade O. B. Hayden is chairman, are making most complete and liberal preparations for the entertainment of all comrades and their friends who may journey to that mecca for pleasure, during the Encampment. No pains or means have been spared to make the occasion one long to be remembered, by those who avail themselves of this opportunity to renew and further cement the friendships of the battle field and camp. The local committee at Tacoma, on application, will gladly furnish any further information, that may be desired upon any point, not made plain in this G. O. They will soon issue a

circular letter containing a full and complete program of the proceedings for the four days of the Encampment.

The local executive committee of arrangements request that all organizations, Posts, Camps and Corps, in attendance from the various orders, bring their local organization flag.

X. The Encampment will be formally opened, and welcomed by the Posts and citizens of Tacoma, after which the regular business of the session will proceed.

The following program has been prepared by the local committee of arrangements:

Meeting of the Encampment at Ninth Street Theatre, June 16th at 10 a. m.

Evening of the 16th, joint reception of the three orders in Parlor "A" Hotel Tacoma

Wednesday, the 17th, meeting of the Encampment in Ninth Street Theatre at 10 a. m.

Parade at 12 m.

Evening of the 17th to be given to the W. R. C. as they may direct.

Thursday, the 18th, excursion to Soldiers' Home at 10 a. m. and return at 3 p. m.

Evening of the 18th, S. of V. Ball.

Friday the 19th, installation of officers.

Adjournment.

XI. Transportation companies have fixed a rate of one and one-fifth fare for the round trip; provided there are fifty persons in attendance upon the various organizations at the Encampment, who purchased tickets over each road. Tickets good from June 13th to 16th going and returning if presented for passage one day after the adjournment of the Encampment. Full fare will be paid going, the person taking receipt therefore from the agent of whom the ticket is purchased.

This receipt when countersigned by F. H. Chandler, chairman of the committee on transportation at Tacoma, will entitle the holder to return at one-fifth fare.

XII. The committee on hotel rates at Tacoma, submit the following:

TACOMA HOTEL, rate for single person \$2.50; two in a room \$2.00 per day.

GRAND CENTRAL HOTEL, single room with board, \$1.00; meals at restaurant, 20 cents.

"Chilberg," single rooms, \$ .50, .75 and \$1.00.

" two in a room, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.

" meals, 25 cents.

"Hotel Brooklyn," single rooms, 25 and 50 cents; double rooms, 75c.

"Merchants Hotel," beds, 25 cents.

"Bostwick," single rooms, 50 cents, two in a room, 75 cents.

"Hotel Fife," single room, 75 cents; single outside room, 75 cents;  
two in room, \$1; double outside room \$1.50; double outside room  
two beds \$2.00; four beds, \$3 00; inside room, bed 50 cents.

XIII. We had hoped to have the COMMANDER IN CHIEF, I. N. WALKER, with us during the Encampment, but are disappointed; his recent visit in this Department, was conspicuous by its brevity.

The Committee of arrangements and the Department Commander have extended an earnest invitation to Rear Admiral Beardslee, to be present as the guest of the Encampment, and to have one or more of the war ships of the Pacific squadron in the harbor at Tacoma, during that period.

We understand the committee have received a favorable reply, and the comrades may have the pleasure of inspecting the fighting possibilities of these modern war crafts. It will be an opportunity of a lifetime, and the committee are to be congratulated in securing this very attractive feature for the Encampment.

XIV. The Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps and Division Encampment of the Sons of Veterans, will also be held at Tacoma, beginning June 15, 1896.

By Order of

NORMAN BUCK,

Department Commander.

Official:

J. M. COMSTOCK,

Assistant Adjutant General.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA }  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

TACOMA, WASH., June 18, 1895.

GENERAL ORDERS }  
No. 10. }

I. Comrade C. T. Patterson, of Winslow Post No. 87, of Tacoma, Wash., having been elected Department Commander for the ensuing year, will at once assume the duties of his office, and relieve me from command.

II. The official and personal staff are hereby relieved from further duty.

By command of

Official.

NORMAN BUCK,

Department Commander.

J. M. COMSTOCK,

Assistant Adj't General.



WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

DEPARTMENT OF  
WASHINGTON AND ALASKA.

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