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DEPARTMENT COMMANDER, 1900-1901.

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# GRAND ARMY

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 Inspector General .....HENRY C. OLNEY, Spokane, Wash  
 Judge Advocate.....THAD HUSTAN, Tacoma, Wash  
 Chief Mustering Officer.....GEO. B. LANE, Olympia, Wash  
 Chief of Staff.....L. T. DODGE, Seattle, Wash  
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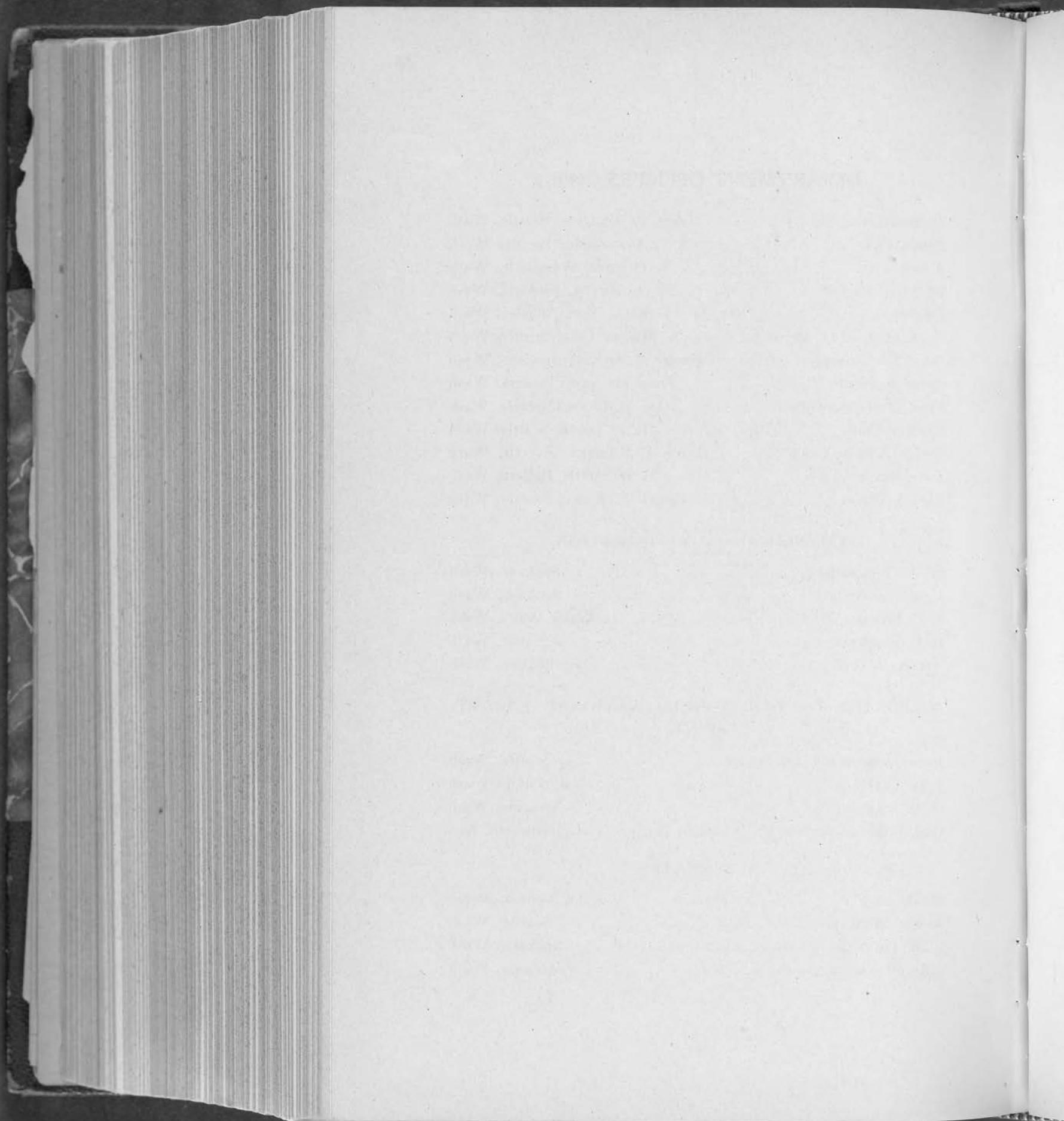
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 JOHN A. YOUNG.....Vancouver, Wash



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The Nineteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, assembled in the Tacoma Theater, in the city of Tacoma, Washington, at 10:30 o'clock a. m., June 25th, 1901, and was called to order by the Department Commander, B. R. Freeman.

Opened in form. Prayer was offered by the Department Chaplain, Rev. W. H. Mock.

The Department Commander announced the following appointments, viz: Comrade E. C. Kilbourn, of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle, as Officer of the Day; Comrade S. G. Pepper, of Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma, as Officer of the Guard; Comrade Wm. Markham, of Sedgwick Post No. 8 of Spokane, as Acting Assistant Adjutant General, all to act in their respective positions during the encampment.

Comrades A. A. G. Henry C. Olney, Thomas Mattison of Post No. 6 and S. T. Armstrong of Post No. 44 were appointed as Committee on Credentials, and Comrades J. M. Comstock of Post

No. 8, George H. Boardman of Post No. 6, and George B. Lane of Post No. 5 as Committee on Rules and Order of Business.

The roll of the Encampment, prepared by the Assistant Adjutant General, was called and referred to the Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials made the following report:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Your Committee on Credentials have examined the roll of the Encampment compiled by the Assistant Adjutant General from the election returns of posts and other records on file in his office, and report the same back with sundry amendments and corrections therein noted.

We recommend that in all cases where posts are not represented, in whole or in part, any comrade or comrades of said posts present, if in good standing, be permitted to represent such posts, and upon being found eligible may be by the Assistant Adjutant General added to the roll of the Encampment.

HENRY C. OLNEY, A. A. G.,  
THOS. MATTISON,  
S. T. ARMSTRONG,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

The roll as corrected is as follows:

(Members present marked thus \*)

#### ROLL OF THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.

##### *Department Officers.*

CHOSEN JUNE 13, 1900.

\*Commander, B. R. Freeman, of No. 47, Spokane, Wash.  
Senior Vice Commander, Thad S. Smith, of No. 15, Port Townsend, Wash.

Junior Vice Commander, J. S. Smith, of No. 11, Palouse, Wash.

\*Medical Director, T. M. Young, M. D., of No. 1, Seattle, Wash.

\*Chaplain, Rev. W. H. Mock, of No. 48, Port Angeles, Wash.

*Council of Administration.*

- \*George B. Lane, of No. 5, Olympia, Wash.
- \*W. H. Wiscombe, of No. 47, Spokane, Wash.
- \*J. M. Comstock, of No. 8, Spokane, Wash.
- \*Richard Bradley, of No. 31, Seattle, Wash.
- \*Wm. Hanna, of No. 6, Tacoma, Wash.

*Delegates to National Encampment.*

- \*T. M. Young (at large), of No. 1, Seattle, Wash.
- \*F. M. Davis, of No. 1, Seattle, Wash.
- \*J. M. Comstock, of No. 8, Spokane, Wash.
- \*R. B. Scott, of No. 8, Spokane, Wash.

*Alternates.*

- David Kincade, of No. 11, Ellensburg, Wash.
- F. McFarland, of No. 73, Everett, Wash.
- Sutton, of No. 1, Seattle, Wash.
- J. S. Smith, of No. 11, Ellensburg, Wash.
- \*M. C. Cole, of No. 24, New Whatcom, Wash.

*Official Staff.*

- \*Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, Henry C. Olney, of No. 47, Spokane, Wash.
- \*Inspector General, F. H. Hurd, of No. 1, Seattle, Wash.
- Judge Advocate General, L. H. Prather, of No. 8, Spokane, Wash.
- \*Chief Mustering Officer, Richard Bradley, of No. 31, Seattle, Wash.
- \*Chief of Staff, Geo. H. Boardman, of No. 6, Tacoma, Wash.
- \*Senior Aide-de-Camp, Elias Morrison, of No. 47, Spokane, Wash.
- \*Department Color Bearer, N. N. Graves, of No. 47, Spokane, Wash.
- \*Department Banner Bearer, J. S. Graves, of No. 8, Spokane, Wash.
- \*Board of Patriotic Instruction, Rev. C. D. Spencer, Chair., of No. 82, Centralia, Wash.

*Past Department Commanders.*

- A. M. Brooks, 1885, Post No. 31, Seattle.  
 S. G. Cosgrove, 1899, 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.  
 Norman Buck, 1895, Post No. 8, Spokane.  
 \*C. T. Patterson, 1896, Post No. 87, South Tacoma.  
 John F. McLean, 1897, Post No. 4, Walla Walla.  
 \*Geo. W. Tibbetts, 1898, Post No. 1, Seattle.  
 \*J. W. Langley, 1899, Post No. 31, Seattle.

## ROSTER OF POSTS.

## STEVENS POST, NO. 1, SEATTLE.

\*Commander, JOHN P. HOYT.

*Past Post Commanders.*

A. W. Hastie,  
 A. M. Cole,  
 \*G. W. Tibbetts,  
 W. H. White,  
 \*H. A. Bigelow,  
 A. P. Spaulding,  
 O. B. Johnson,  
 \*M. M. Holmes,  
 James Alexander,  
 W. E. Wilson,  
 \*P. F. Street,  
 J. R. Rinear,

*Representatives.*

\*Robert McMann,  
 \*W. L. Ames,  
 \*R. M. Davis,  
 \*D. N. Kilbourne,  
 James Price,  
 \*Chris D'Oyle,  
 \*H. S. Edson,  
 W. C. Hawthorne,  
 \*C. D. C. Williams,  
 Charles F. Longfellow,  
 \*W. L. Weeden,  
 \*D. M. Allen,  
 J. W. Twiss,  
 \*W. E. Sterling,  
 \*A. Barney.

L. A. Treen,  
 \*T. M. Young,  
 S. W. Clark,  
 \*F. H. Hurd,  
 \*J. M. Westling,  
 \*A. H. Carr,  
 \*R. P. Pickerell,  
 \*A. O. Benjamin,  
 \*R. B. Bronson,  
 \*J. E. Risedorph,  
 \*J. W. Range,  
 \*W. F. Taylor.

*Alternates.*

E. F. Stevens,  
 C. F. Delbert,  
 \*W. H. Shaffer,  
 J. R. Elcook,  
 M. V. Mills,  
 \*W. G. Hubbard,  
 F. P. Heman,  
 F. S. Berry,  
 \*Garrett Ramaker,  
 J. F. Ryan,  
 J. N. Wallingford,  
 D. W. Strouse,  
 J. W. Range,  
 \*J. G. Nollop,  
 \*William Fox.

ELLSWORTH POST NO. 2, VANCOUVER.

Commander, W. C. SPRINGER.

*Past Post Commanders.*

R. W. Downing,	William Smiley,
R. W. Davis,	W. H. Nash,
D. B. Baker,	D. F. Reid,
N. F. Bolton,	J. A. Snodgrass
O. F. Johnson,	J. T. Goss,
W. H. Brewster.	J. D. Flick.
<i>Representatives.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*L. W. Sutton,	A. Hislop,
*J. W. Jones:	J. O. Smith.

ALFRED SULLY POST NO. 3, DAYTON.

Commander, D. H. HARDIN.

*Past Commanders.*

H. H. Wolfe,	W. C. Bishop,
D. C. Gurnsey,	Peter Lemley,
J. W. Holman,	S. I. Thompson,
J. H. Gough,	E. W. Burks,
A. H. Kribs,	Conrad Knoblock.

*Representatives.*

*J. K. Rainwater,	J. O. Davis,
E. F. Butolph,	Jas. Johnson,
R. G. Large,	Wm. Long.

A. LINCOLN POST NO. 4, WALLA WALLA.

\*Commander, B. C. BEDELL.

*Past Commanders.*

John F. McLean,	R. P. Reynolds,
*E. W. Eliot,	E. H. Nixon.
*W. H. Embree,	
<i>Representatives.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*M. G. Parr,	S. W. Baker,
*A. S. Harmon.	W. F. Coyle.

GEORGE H. THOMAS POST NO. 5, OLYMPIA.

\*Commander, S. D. SMITH.

*Past Commanders.*

*H. K. Hill,	John R. Rayden,
*George Savidge,	N. H. Owings,
R. B. Crandall,	A. P. Pitch,
*C. B. Lane,	*A. D. Rogers.
J. S. Dobbins,	

*Nineteenth Annual Encampment.*

<i>Representatives.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*Phil Skillman,	P. Heltz,
*J. W. Buker.	E. McReynolds.

## CUSTER POST No. 6, TACOMA.

\*Commander, J. W. FRIES.

*Past Commanders.*

*F. T. Taylor,	*Wm Lind,
Wm. Peel,	*Thos. Mattison,
*R. Hessey,	*W. H. Jennings,
*Thos. Carroll,	*Geo. Thornton,
*M. P. Kelly,	*C. H. Holmes,
L. B. Strayer,	*A. Woodworth,
*D. G. Lovell,	*J. E. Noel,
*Phineas Foster,	*Max Metschan,
*Thad Huston,	*L. B. McCoy,
*M. M. Rule,	*W. P. Sargent.

<i>Representatives.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
*B. N. Bradfield,	*S. G. Pepper,
*W. H. Robinson,	*D. W. Mead,
*C. W. Snyder,	*Wm. George,
*J. B. Hoit,	*Geo. McKuhn,
*L. W. Roys,	*L. G. Delno,
*W. F. Halfpenny,	*A. P. Smith,
*H. F. Emerson,	*John Wood,
*C. H. Wilson.	John McPatterson.

## PHIL KEARNEY POST No. 7, TOLEDO.

Commander, R. L. COLVIN.

*Past Commanders.*

T. B. Mitchell,	J. Duncan,
*C. Wilcox,	*Joseph Lampitt.
*J. Brooks,	

<i>Representatives.</i>	<i>Alternates.</i>
T. B. Mitchell,	Jas. Smith,
J. T. Newland.	*Robert Danihy.

## SEDGWICK POST No. 8, SPOKANE.

Commander, D. L. CROSSEN.

*Past Commanders.*

E. J. Webster,	W. H. Maloney,
E. R. Childs,	*J. S. Graves,
L. H. Prather,	Fred Saling,
Chas. R. Connor,	*J. N. Koontz,
E. P. Galbraith,	J. K. Grover,
*J. M. Comstock,	*J. E. Stewart.
Norman Buck,	

*Representatives.*

C. J. Moore,  
\*Wm. Markham,  
\*J. L. Smith,  
\*O. W. Lewis,  
\*C. B. Dunning.

*Alternates.*

W. C. Human,  
F. Hosford,  
A. McMeekin,  
C. D. Wood,  
Thos. Burns.

MEADE POST NO. 9, NORTH YAKIMA.

\*Commander, C. V. BISSELL.

*Past Commanders.*

J. O. Clark,	D. L. Druse,
*W. M. Badger,	*E. N. Friend,
N. H. Yeates,	*W. S. Neimeier.

*Representative.*

J. E. Schwartz.

*Alternate.*

C. Moore.

MORTON POST NO. 10, SNOHOMISH.

Commander, D. F. DOYLE.

*Past Commanders.*

H. G. York,	W. F. Eddy,
D. F. Sexton,	J. R. King,
*M. W. Packard,	Burton Smith,
F. Turner,	J. B. Hewitt,
H. J. Andrus,	

*Representatives.*

\*Albert Catlin,  
\*C. Winehart.

*Alternates.*

W. P. Stewart,  
E. D. Dean.

DAVID FORD POST NO. 11, ELLENSBURG.

Commander, W. H. RANDOLPH.

*Nineteenth Annual Encampment.**Past Commanders.*

D. Kinkade,	Geo. Davis.
W. M. Westfall,	

*Representatives.*

\*D. Cobel,  
\*F. M. McCandless.

*Alternates.*

V. C. Wynegar.  
Isaac Moore,

## MCPHERSON POST NO. 12, KALAMA.

Commander, JESSE R. HOCKETT.

*Past Commanders.*

Jas. Smith,	Levi Summers.
C. Kalahan,	

*Representative.*

\*Levi Summers.

## GARFIELD POST NO. 13, MONTESANO.

Commander, T. M. BRYAN.

*Past Commanders.*

R. G. Carlile,	John Carothers.
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*Representative.*

\*W. H. H. Beebe.

*Alternates.*

R. G. Carlile,  
W. F. Nutter,  
\*John Chalmers.

## PHILO BUCKMAN POST NO. 14, SPRAGUE.

Commander, JACK SMITH.

*Past Commanders.*

John Moore,	Jacob Smith.
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*Representatives.*

\*F. A. Boyer,  
\*Isaac Ridout.

*Alternates.*

E. R. Walling,  
M. L. Heltzel.

## FARRAGUT POST NO. 15, PORT TOWNSEND.

Commander, W. W. SWING.

*Past Commanders.*

D. M. Littlefield, Thad S. Smith,  
M. M. Smith, J. B. McMillan.

*Representatives.*

Peter Mutty,  
Neville Sumner.

*Alternates.*

Robert Ray,  
\*Wm. B. West.

JOHN A. LOGAN POST NO. 16, GARFIELD.

\*Commander, A. C. CASE.

*Past Commanders.*

J. N. Dicus, John La Cornue,  
J. A. Dix, A. J. Madden.  
E. G. Faires, \*Wm. Westacott.

*Representatives.*

J. T. Bishop,

*Alternate.*

H. H. McKinney.

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

\*Commander, JAS. MCKIM.

*Past Commanders.*

E. N. Little, R. Lyman,  
A. Clark, G. W. Beach,  
C. C. Field, \*J. H. Coffman  
C. A. Green, Jas. Hinson,  
\*C. W. Stewart, \*J. W. Soles,

*Representative.*

O. P. Satterlee.

*Alternate.*

Ira F. Pearsall.

LARRABEE POST NO. 18, LA CONNER.

\*Commander, JAS. CALAHAN.

*Past Commanders.*

J. F. Donnelly, Robert Moore,  
\*R. H. Ball, Edw. Kriston,  
J. L. Wallace, Thos. Hastie.  
O. C. Currier,

*Representative.*

\*Isaac Chilberg.

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NAT LYON POST NO. 19, COLFAX.

Commander, CHAS. B. ANDERSON.

*Past Commanders.*James Ewart,  
T. E. Ross,  
C. Colvin,  
S. N. Boyd,W. A. Inman,  
\*Chas. Vansonan,  
L. A. DuBois,  
Geo. H. Stover.*Representatives.*L. A. DuBois,  
E. D. Lake.*Alternates.*Henry Miller,  
S. Slate.

BAKER POST NO. 20, GOLDENDALE.

Commander, J. R. PUTMAN.

*Past Commanders.*W. R. Dunbar,  
S. Smith,F. B. Stimson,  
E. W. Pike.*Representative.*

O. A. Vanhoy.

*Alternate.*

O. J. Glover.

MCDOWELL POST NO. 22, POMEROY.

Commander, H. C. THOMPSON.

*Past Commanders.*S. K. Hall,  
S. G. Cosgrove,H. E. Farnsworth,  
J. W. Harlin.*Representatives.*John Mitchell,  
D. B. Messenger.*Alternates.*C. H. Bingham,  
J. O. Miles.

GEORGE WRIGHT POST NO. 23, CHENEY.

Commander, A. HARRISON.

*Past Commanders.*W. K. Griffith,  
J. C. Tyler,  
S. G. Grubb,  
P. McDowell,W. H. Jordan,  
A. Briner,  
L. Buchanan,  
I. J. Scribner.*Representative.*

A. J. Harris.

*Alternate.*

Silas Tiftt.

J. B. STEADMAN POST NO. 24, WHATCOM.

\*Commander, M. C. COLE.

*Past Commanders.*

A. S. Cole,	J. C. Musgrove,
H. B. Williams,	J. J. Edens,
E. Sturgeon,	J. C. Hooker,
A. A. Rogers,	W. H. Penfield.
*J. P. Lewis,	

*Representatives.*

S. W. Baker,  
\*J. P. Fancy.

*Alternates.*

\*J. M. Griffith,  
A. B. Loop.

JOE HOOKER POST NO. 25, CHEHALIS.

\*Commander, R. N. ASHMORE.

*Past Commanders.*

H. P. Hurn,	M. W. Forrest.
E. G. Wagley,	*W. H. Mossman.

*Representative.*

W. J. Dickson.

*Alternate.*

D. Seeley.

MAJOR ANDERSON POST NO. 29, PALOUSE.

Commander, ROBERT BRUCE.

*Past Cammanders.*

J. C. Poe,	M. T. Merrill.
A. Colburn,	

JOHN F. MILLER POST NO. 31, SEATTLE.

\*Commander, GEORGE HOOKER.

*Past Commanders.*

Richard Osborne,	A. M. Brooks,
G. N. Alexander,	*Jas. H. Wilson,
Banks Douglas,	Amos Brown,
Byron Phelps,	*Lyman Knapp,
*J. W. Langley,	L. T. Dodge,
*George Kinnear,	*Richard Bradley,
*E. M. Schack,	*T. M. Fisher.

*Representatives.*

\*B. C. Levy,  
\*Fred Gasch,  
J. Dickinson,  
\*Martin Kyle,  
\*W. V. Rhinehart,  
\*F. M. Davis,  
\*W. W. Perrigo,  
\*Lyman Banks,  
A. H. Foot,  
\*D. C. Brown,  
\*R. F. Powell.

*Alternates.*

Fred Flahart,  
G. A. Case,  
Ralph Jabush,  
D. C. Brown,  
\*F. A. Noble,  
H. A. Fredricks,  
J. B. Strong,  
W. T. Willis,  
T. F. Pearl,  
E. Cookson,  
Jas. Burcham.

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REYNOLDS POST NO. 32, BLAINE.

Commander, S. P. HUGHES.

*Past Commanders.*S. P. Hughes,  
J. N. Lindsey,  
A. J. Loomis,  
Lewis Shafner,  
O. D. McDonald,Samuel Wade,  
John Wiffler,  
F. J. Spohn,  
W. E. Dawson.*Representative.*

A. L. Smith.

*Alternate.*

C. C. Paul.

LINDSAY POST NO. 34, ROSALIA.

Commander, JOHN STWAN.

*Past Commander.*

D. F. Anderson.

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

\*Commander, J. S. BOWEN.

*Past Commanders.*Jasper Gates,  
C. D. Kimball,  
\*D. Decatur,  
\*R. W. Williams,  
J. C. Washburn,J. W. Newman,  
\*Witby Brown,  
A. H. Davis,  
E. E. Hensted.*Representatives.*J. Billingsley,  
J. V. Bishop.*Alternates.*\*John Moore,  
Frank Bartet.

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

Commander, C. W. MORSE.

*Past Commander.*

Silas Gibson.

J. J. LEWIS POST NO. 37, ASOTIN.

Commander, M. H. TATE.

*Past Commanders.*D. T. Welch,  
J. W. Green,  
D. S. Prescott,  
J. W. King,N. Anzman,  
W. H. Smith,  
B. F. Onstot,  
Frank Huber.

R. L. McCook Post No. 39, WILBUR.  
Commander, J. W. FOLEY.

*Past Commanders.*

H. McManis,	J. L. Stuart,
H. Wynhoff,	J. W. James,

*Representatives.*

H. McManis,  
\*Benj. King.

*Alternates.*

M. Markey,  
H. Wynhoff.

J. B. Wyman Post No. 41, ROCKFORD.  
Commander, CHAS. M. BASKETT.

*Past Commanders.*

J. B. Smith,	*C. Denman,
H. H. Brockman,	John Fisher, Sr.

*Representatives.*

L. L. Wing,  
C. Alton.

*Alternates.*

A. H. Johnson,  
H. D. Right.

LYNCH POST No. 42, LYNDEN.  
Commander, G. L. RAMSDELL.

*Past Commanders.*

A. J. Rusco,	W. W. Palmer,
Chas. Vinup,	*C. M. Maltby.

*Representative.*

J. S. Wright.

*Alternate.*

J. C. Spaulding.

PHIL SHERIDAN POST No. 44, TACOMA.  
\*Commander, A. S. JOHNSON.

*Past Commanders.*

*J. J. Lemon,	J. J. Lemon,
*R. A. Wakefield,	C. G. Robbins,
S. T. Armstrong,	*H. A. Carpenter,
M. D. Wolff,	*W. N. Wright.

*Representatives.*

\*C. F. W. Bachman,  
\*Jos. Ford.

*Alternates.*

G. L. Hackett,  
L. C. Killam.

*Nineteenth Annual Encampment.*

H. A. MILES POST NO. 45, WATERVILLE.

\*Commander, J. H. ALLEN.

*Past Commanders.*Wm. Domreese,  
\*M. I. Young,  
L. J. Silverthorn,J. J. Garrett,  
J. C. Brownfield,  
\*J. L. Dutton.*Representative.*

J. F. Badger.

*Alternate.*

T. N. Ogle.

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

Commander, J. M. HARRIS.

*Past Commanders.*

\*L. Root,

\*C. R. Barkwell.

*Representative.*

James Olney.

*Alternate.*

B. Zimmer.

GEN. J. L. RENO POST NO. 47, SPOKANE.

\*Commander, J. G. GUNDLACH.

*Past Commanders.*D. K. Oliver,  
\*W. H. Wiscombe,  
F. P. Weymouth,  
\*Elias Morrison,  
Thos. Lavery,J. A. Harris,  
\*B. R. Freeman,  
W. E. Maxwell,  
W. H. Forney,  
\*H. C. Olney.*Representatives.*\*N. M. Graves,  
George Murphey,  
A. P. Williams,  
\*Frank Martin,  
\*Josiah Gill,*Alternates.*Walter Chambers,  
J. E. Valentine,  
R. W. Black,  
A. W. Holland.

PACIFIC POST NO. 48, PORT ANGELES.

\*Commander, S. L. WATKINS.

*Past Commanders.*L. D. Stewart,  
H. M. Guptill,  
\*H. W. Doty,  
R. R. Harding,  
J. W. Stewart,Thos. H. Bradley,  
W. C. Ellsworth,  
\*W. H. Mock,  
J. A. Smith.

*Representatives.*

\*P. B. Chambers,  
\*D. G. Harvey.  
\*E. S. Derrickson.

*Alternates.*

D. B. Merrill,  
Edw. Hoare,  
John Hitch,

KIT CARSON POST NO. 49, KELSO.

Commander, J. W. MOON.

GENERAL GROVER POST NO. 51, AUBURN.

Commander, J. H. WARNOCK.

*Past Commanders.*

\*George Hart,  
\*D. N. Kinkade,

\*Lewis Y. Gilbert,  
\*L. L. Scott.

*Representative.*

\*W. H. White.

WASHINGTON POST NO. 52, HOQUIAM.

Commander, ARTHUR BRIDGES.

*Past Commanders.*

B. S. Philbrick,  
G. W. France,  
Peter Erickson,  
W. E. Rockwell,

M. H. Turner,  
A. M. Holman,  
W. F. Crawford.

WHITMAN POST NO. 53, PULLMAN.

\*Commander, K. P. ALLEN.

*Past Commanders.*

M. F. Taylor,  
R. Lanning,  
C. S. Mason,  
J. Morse,  
Ed. Faney,

Wily Campbell,  
J. V. Farnsworth,  
W. H. Lacey,  
T. W. Savage.

*Representative.*

D. N. Bush.

C. M. REED POST NO. 54, ORTING.

\*Commander, JOHN COLE.

*Past Commanders.*

L. C. Callender,  
H. S. Lillagar,  
A. Martin,

\*W. S. Neimeyer,  
\*W. L. C. Atkinson.

*Nineteenth Annual Encampment.*

<i>Representative.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*Ernest Serfling.	W. Weaver.

T. T. MINOR POST No. 55, WINLOCK.  
Commander, E. P. McCLURE.

<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
B. F. Brown,	Gordon Sweany.

<i>Representative.</i>
F. C. McConnell.

LT. CUSHING POST No. 56, BALLARD.  
\*Commander, D. B. AVEY.

<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
*B. Steinauer,	D. R. Smith,
*S. Hawley,	*A. Loney.
*J. H. Sprague,	

<i>Representative.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
*F. S. Thorp.	John Teas.

H. G. SICKLES POST No. 57, VASHON.  
\*Commander, S. D. SHERMAN.

<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
C. A. Barton,	S. W. Jacobs,
*A. S. Christman,	C. W. Houghton,
E. E. Van Olinda,	M. H. Snow.

<i>Representative.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
Jas. Keenan.	J. S. Markham.

APPERSON POST No. 59, FAIRHAVEN.  
Commander, T. W. GILLETTE.

<i>Past Commanders.</i>	
D. L. Hopkins,	W. M. Toles,
S. P. Tapping,	D. Alverson,
C. T. Lathrop,	A. Marshall.

<i>Representative.</i>	<i>Alternate.</i>
A. B. Hart.	G. H. Ames.

BENTLEY POST NO. 60, CRESCENT.

Commander, W. H. HICOX.

*Past Commanders.*

\*Geo. P. Amily, John Glasbrook.

GEN. MILROY POST NO. 62, LATAH.

Commander, D. N. LAKE.

*Past Commanders.*

B. F. Copelan, C. E. Mohundro,  
G. W. Hendricks, C. M. Reynolds.

*Representatives.*

E. A. Bramen,  
F. P. Connell.

*Alternates.*

W. Connelly,  
C. Leforce.

GEORGE CROOK POST NO. 63, ABERDEEN.

Commander, C. P. L. ROBERTS.

*Past Commanders.*

J. H. Burmingham, J. W. Tokles,  
N. Arnold, A. H. Lackey,  
A. Payette, C. R. Robinson.

*Representative.*

A. McDougal.

*Alternate.*

J. V. Sullivan.

WALLACE POST NO. 64, SPRINGDALE.

Commander, A. E. Bidgood.

*Past Commanders.*

C. Morgan, J. Ferguson.

*Representative.*

Jas. Ferguson.

*Alternate.*

J. S. Gray.

ADMIRAL PORTER POST NO. 66, MOSSY ROCK.

\*Commander, WM. YOUNG.

*Past Commanders.*

P. D. Hopkinson, Thos. Landes.

GEN. EMORY POST NO. 68, ANACORTES.

Commander, M. E. SHOCK.

*Past Commanders.*

C. R. Henderson,	*J. J. See,
V. J. Knapp,	A. J. Crookhauer,
D. J. Davis,	*G. C. Marsh,
W. A. McLean,	

*Representative.*

\*John Argus.

JOHN C. FREMONT POST No. 69, SOUTH BEND.

\*Commander, F. R. WRIGHT.

*Past Commander.*

\*J. S. Brown.

*Representatives.*\*C. E. Huson,  
\*John Cooper.*Alternates.*J. H. Turner,  
H. F. Covey.

UNION POST No. 70, CHEWELAH.

Commander, C. T. RIGGS.

*Past Commanders.*

Fred Keiling,	Wm. Richmond.
E. A. Kyes,	

J. A. REYNOLDS POST No. 71, BUCKLEY.

Commander, M. D. COMPTON.

*Past Commanders.*

M. Bartholemew,	*W. E. Gove.
T. E. McDougal,	

A. J. SMITH POST No. 72, WAYSIDE.

Commander, ALLISON ALLEN.

*Past Commanders.*

F. McFarland,	E. M. Hulce,
R. A. Guffey,	J. F. Thompson,
J. B. Kraus,	G. T. Meyers.

*Representative.*

John Tull.

*Alternate.*

Chas. Richardson.

EVERETT POST No. 73, SUMNER.

\*Commander, JOHN R. MOORE.



*Past Commanders.*

\*Alex Jolly,  
\*M. A. Halcomb,

\*H. Cramer.

*Representative.*

J. Killerman.

*Alternate.*

D. Rice.

T. P. PRICE POST NO. 82, CENTRALIA.  
Commander, A. P. CLAYTON.

*Past Commanders.*

J. G. Curtis,  
\*E. Pomeroy,

\*M. D. Wood,  
\*C. D. Spencer.

*Representative.*

\*W. F. Reeves.

*Alternate.*

\*Theo. Hoss.

GEN. SAUNDERS POST NO. 83, KELSO.  
Commander, JOSEPH STRONG.

*Past Commanders.*

P. J. Knapp,  
Henry Allen,

H. G. Cronk.

*Representative.*

Joseph Strong.

*Alternate.*

C. Inman.

COMMODORE FOOTE POST NO. 84, PORT ORCHARD.  
Commander, WILLIAM CLINE.

*Past Commanders.*

J. B. Clark,  
W. J. Alexander,  
A. F. Baird,

D. C. Bleme,  
A. W. Robinson,  
P. H. Seay.

*Representative.*

\*C. M. Bartlett.

*Alternate.*

E. E. Scott.

WINSLOW POST NO. 87, SOUTH TACOMA.

*Past Commanders.*

Jesse Tobias,  
\*R. S. Alexander,  
\*C. T. Patterson,  
H. H. Warner,  
Jacob Emery,

T. D. Brear,  
S. V. Isenburg,  
\*J. E. Hartshorn,  
J. A. Baker,  
\*J. H. Waters.

*Representative.*  
H. A. McKenney.

*Alternate.*  
J. M. Jennett.

GEN. LANDER POST NO. 88, FARMINGTON.  
Commander (deceased June 13, 1901).

*Past Commanders.*

T. R. Tannatt,  
R. A. Truax,  
E. W. Leonard,

J. Blickenderfer,  
R. H. Martin.

*Representative.*

A. J. Bancroft.

*Alternate.*

Henry Horn.

JOHN BUFORD POST NO. 89, EVERETT.  
Commander, J. A. BAKER.

*Past Commanders.*

F. Tubbs,  
S. S. King,  
\*J. T. Sherfey,

\*J. P. Budd,  
R. K. Beecham,  
\*Philo W. Gallup.

*Representatives.*

\*S. A. Terwilliger,

\*R. T. Buckley.

COL. E. E. CROSS POST NO. 90, SHELTON.  
\*Commander, I. W. WOODS.

*Past Commanders.*

Geo. Cyphert,  
S. Caldwell,  
\*J. B. Ritner,

\*C. T. Huntley,  
\*John Seig.

*Representative.*

N. Campbell.

*Alternate.*

\*F. M. Munson.

D. CHAPLAIN POST NO. 92, COUPEVILLE.  
Commander, A. B. COATES.

*Past Commanders.*

F. A. LeSourd,

\*Chas. Eaton.

GEN. J. M. RUSK POST NO. 93, DAVENPORT.  
Commander, R. R. STEWART.

*Past Commanders.*

J. H. Fane,

E. S. Fitch.

N. B. PAGE POST NO. 94, MISSION.  
Commander, JAS. TAYLOR.

*Nineteenth Annual Encampment.**Past Commanders.*

J. McFarland, Thos. Stewart.

L. P. PLUMMER POST NO. 95, WHATCOM.  
Commander, J. SWIGER.

*Past Commanders.*

John Broyles, J. H. Decker.  
A. C. Miller,

*Representatives.* *Alternates.*  
D. Patchin, Jas. Abbott,  
\*D. L. Fordney. J. H. Marlette,  
\*August Niell.

GEN. EWING POST NO. 96, ISSAQUAH.  
Commander, J. M. THOMPSON.

*Past Commanders.*

\*Wm. Ray, \*A. J. Foster,  
\*W. H. Brunk, \*D. F. Wilsey.

*Representative.* *Alternate.*  
John Dormer. \*Allen Day.

GEN. W. T. SHERMAN POST NO. 97, BURLINGTON.  
\*Commander, JAS. LEWELLEN.

*Past Commanders.*

\*A. Garl, D. Koch,  
W. H. Cressey, \*W. H. Miller,  
D. Hinchey,

*Representative.* *Alternate.*  
\*Ira Brown. E. K. White.

GEN. J. M. CORSE POST NO. 98, COLVILLE.  
Commander, C. W. CAMPBELL.

*Past Commanders.*

A. F. Perkins, D. J. Zent.

HENRY W. LAWTON POST NO. 99, ORTING.

*Past Commanders.*

Thos. Holcombe, \*J. Packard,  
\*C. S. Anderson, \*C. B. Hoadley.

*Representatives.*

\*J. S. Dollarhide,  
\*W. H. Sickles.

*Alternates.*

P. H. Fenton,  
A. Hoskins.

SPEAGLE POST No. 100, MEAD.

Commander, D. CHRISTMAN.

*Past Commanders.*

D. B. Roby,

\*Jas. Berridge.

J. A. MOWER POST No. 101, BOSSBURG.

Commander, C. S. BOSS.

*Representative.*

\*Michael Anderson.

GEN. J. M. PALMER POST No. 102, CLARKSTON.

Commander, ALEX. ROBINSON.

*Representative.*

D. D. Burnham.

*Alternate.*

Barney Olsen.

JAS. F. SEXTON POST No. 103, SEATTLE.

\*Commander, E. A. HERMAN.

*Representative.*

John Taylor.

*Alternate.*

\*Henry Fry.

HARRISON POST No. 104, CHELAN.

Commander, H. C. KEELER.

*Past Commander.*

A. S. Dexter.

*Representative.*

\*John C. Kridler.

*Alternate.*

John A. Green.

DANIEL MCCOOK POST No. 105, WENATCHEE.

Commander, J. W. FERGUSON.

Past Department Commander George W. Tibbetts, of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle, was called to the chair and Department Commander B. R. Freeman read his annual address as follows:

#### ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

*Comrades of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Greeting:*

I congratulate you upon the large attendance of Comrades, also the excellent arrangements made by the Executive Committee for our session and for the entertainment of all.

It is a fitting tribute to the memory and services of those who years ago shared the privations and hardships of a soldier's life, that the commonwealth of the city of Tacoma should open wide her gates and bid you welcome. When the session was held here some years ago, the department was at the high tide of membership. Since then, year by year, the members have decreased; still, this year we have made an increase over the year previous of 140 members. The largest loss comes from suspensions; many comrades, either through indifference, negligence or infirmities of age, allow themselves to get in arrears with their dues, and the result is they are suspended. I should like to see some plan by which posts could reclaim the dropped members.

During the past year five posts have been mustered in and placed upon the rolls. By the untiring work of the department officers, assisted by the comrades, a number of posts have been induced to pay up arrearages, keep alive their organizations, and thus prevent the surrender of their charters. A detailed report of this branch of the department work will be made by the Assistant Adjutant General. Throughout the department the best of feeling prevails, and, taking everything into consideration, I believe we can congratulate ourselves upon the good comradeship that exists.

#### MEMORIAL DAY.

This national holiday was first called Decoration Day, because of the custom of decorating the graves of Union soldiers on that day. But now it bears the sweeter and more sacred name of Memorial Day, because of the calling to remembrance in a special and public way the brave men and the brave deeds of the terrible civil war from '61 to '65. We Americans ought to regard the thirtieth of May each year as a Holy Day, rather than a mere amusement holiday. Alas! it is fast becoming a day for sports

and games and outdoor spectacles. And yet it can never become wholly that as long as there remains on earth a single soldier of the Grand Army of the Republic. For him will be present on each Sabbath Day of the Nation the thought of the mighty conflict with its patriotic spirit, its heroic deeds, its loyal Boys in Blue—all indeed that made that conflict so memorable; and his trembling hand will still seek to strew flowers of remembrance upon the graves of his former comrades in arms. So let a like spirit of loyalty and patriotism animate the soul of every one of the thousands of Grand Army veterans still living.

OUR DEAD.

During the past year many of our comrades who met with us one year ago, have answered the last roll call. The reaper, Death, has thrust in his sickle and taken from among us those whose counsel and advice we sought and whose comradeship we learned to love and admire. Age and infirmities of life are fast creeping upon those who still linger here, and ere long the last veteran of the civil war will have passed to the great beyond.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

Comrades, when we fully comprehend the full scope of the usefulness of the work performed by this band of noble women, and what has been and is being accomplished through their patriotic efforts, we can but express our gratitude and appreciation in the highest words of praise. Page upon page might be written and yet the half not be told. Truly the Woman's Relief Corps abounds in good works and deeds. As years go by and the infirmities of advanced age creep upon our membership and the need of assistance grows more pressing every year, the more will the services of the Woman's Relief Corps be appreciated, and brighter will their matchless deeds appear upon the imperishable pages of time.

There are other organizations whose objects are similar, and I trust the day is not far distant when they will be united, working in harmony for the betterment of the conditions of the needy veteran, his widow and their orphans. I acknowledge the indebtedness of the department to Mrs. Lida McKercher, Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps, for her efficient co-operation in the work of these kindred organizations.

SONS OF VETERANS.

As the veteran retires from the active duties of life he is con-

tent that the affairs of state and nation may be entrusted to the members of this organization. The members of the Grand Army are growing old and fast passing away. Who can better fill our places and perform the duties arising from Memorial Days than our own sons? If we look to them for the future we should encourage them now. They come to us each year with their warmest greetings, and when we have returned them we think our whole duty in that direction is performed. Let us do more than simply bid them God speed for another twelve months. By taking a proper interest in their organization and work, visiting their camps and advising with them, they will gain in numbers and profit by our experiences and be ready to take our places when we are gone.

#### NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The national encampment held at Chicago last August was largely attended from this department, considering the distance traveled. While many of the eastern departments made a better showing as to numbers, this department received as many and as hearty cheers as any. I avail myself of this opportunity to thank each and every one who attended the encampment and for the interest shown in the work of the order.

#### SOLDIERS' HOME AT ORTING.

Some weeks ago I paid a visit to this institution. At the time of my visit there was an even two hundred inmates. I found everything in good condition. So far as the affairs of the Home was concerned, the buildings and grounds were in fine shape. Seemingly the affairs of the Home were carefully managed and everything done for the care, comfort and happiness of the members; but still among the majority of inmates and those that belonged to the Home, there was a spirit of unrest and dissatisfaction. Upon investigation I found this arose largely from the rules laid down by the Commandant for their government. These men are all old cripples and invalids; some more so than others, and there can be no set of hard and fast rules laid down for their government. What would apply to one would work a hardship upon others. If I was suggesting rules I would say, put the old soldiers upon their honor; they are proud of their record as honorable soldiers, and those who disobeyed should be dealt with

according to his case and condition. In fact, try to govern the institution as a wise father governs his family.

In conclusion, Comrades, I desire to thank each and all of you for the kind and courteous treatment you have extended to me during the past year. The success of this year is due to the interest you have shown in the noble principles of our order. The year's work has been one of pleasure to me, although illness has prevented me from being present at many reunions and camp fires that I have wished to attend. To the comrades who made sacrifices to themselves and their interests to serve upon my personal staff during the past year, I return thanks, and bespeak for them a kind remembrance in the memory of the comrades of the department. The routine work of the office has been satisfactorily performed by the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, Henry C. Olney. I am under many obligations to Comrade Olney for the able and efficient manner in which he has conducted the work of the office, and the success of the last year is largely due to his knowledge of the work to be done and his careful handling of the finances of the department. To my Chief of Staff, Chief Mustering and Inspecting Officers, in fact, to my entire official family, is due much of the credit for whatever I have been able to accomplish as your Department Commander.

To them and to you, comrades, one and all, I feel duly grateful and shall ever cherish the memory of this year's work and association as one of the most pleasurable and profitable of my life.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

B. R. FREEMAN, Department Commander.

On motion the report of the Department Commander was ordered referred to a committee of three. The presiding officer appointed as such committee Past Department Commander J. S. Brown, of General Fremont Post No. 69, South Bend; Past Department Commander C. T. Patterson, of Winslow Post No. 87, South Tacoma, and Department Chaplain Rev. W. H. Mock.

The Department Commander resumed the chair.

The Assistant Adjutant General, Henry C. Olney, made the following report:

## REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA,  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.  
OFFICE OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL,

SPOKANE, WASH., June 25, 1901.

*To B. R. Freeman, Department Commander, Department of Wash-  
ington and Alaska, G. A. R.*

DEAR COMRADE: I herewith submit my report as Assistant Adjutant General for the term beginning June 15th, 1900, and ending June 27th, 1901. In so doing permit me to congratulate you upon your successful administration of the affairs of the department during your term. It is with much gratification that I am able to report that during your term of office not a single star has been lost from the flag of this Department, that is to say: Not a Post has been disbanded, but, on the contrary, there has been a gain of five posts, comprising a membership of 65, and a net gain from all sources since the last Encampment of 140 members, and not one post is in arrears for per capita tax.

In placing this report in your hands and closing up the affairs of my office preparatory to turning over the same to my successor, permit me at this time to thank you for the unsolicited and unexpected honor you conferred upon me, a comparative stranger in the Department, in selecting me as your Assistant Adjutant General, a position that has brought me into the closest and pleasantest personal and official relations with yourself and other Department and Post Officers—for the confidence which you have all along reposed in me and for the unvarying courtesy you have at all times shown me.

The work of the office, while at times arduous, often trying and vexatious, requiring close application and attention to details and often taxing patience, has withal been pleasant. If I have discharged the duties of the office in a manner satisfactory to yourself and the comrades of the Department I shall feel that my work has not been unrewarded; if I have, in even a small degree, helped to encourage or benefit any Post or Comrade I shall feel that my efforts have not been in vain. My heart and my sympathies have been with my Comrades in this grand organization, and my best

efforts have been put forth for the good of the cause and the Comrades of the Department.

The following is a summarized statement of the membership of this Department at the date of this report:

Membership at last Encampment.....	.80 posts	2484 members
Present membership .....	.85 posts	2624 members
Net gain .....	5 posts	140 members

DETAILED STATEMENT.

Membership at last Encampment .....	.80 posts	2484 members
Gained during term ending June 30, 1900, from all sources .....		196 members

Total .....	.80 posts	2680 members
Lost by delinquent returns .. .....	.20 posts	630 members
Lost by other causes		112 members
Total loss .....	.20 posts	742 members

Membership reported June 30, 1900....	.60 posts	1938 members
Gained during term ending Dec. 31, 1900— From delinquent returns .....	.12 posts	485 members
From other causes	2 posts	73 members
Total gain .....	.14 posts	658 members

Total .....	.74 posts	2596 members
Lost by delinquent returns .. .....	.5 posts	59 members
Lost by other causes		183 members
Total loss .....	.5 posts	242 members

Note.—Eight posts with 145 members still delinquent from June 30.

Membership reported Dec. 31.....	.69 posts	2354 members
Net gain since (new) 3 posts		47 members
From delinquent returns .. .....	.13 posts	204 members
From other causes		19 members
Total gain .....	.16 posts	270 members

Approximate membership June 25.....	.85 posts	2624 members
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I say "approximate" because no reports have been made since those due from posts Dec. 31; gains from muster-in, transfers, reinstatement, etc., which will about offset losses from deaths, discharge, transfer, suspension, etc., are not obtainable at this time.

The number of deaths in this Department for the year ending December 31st, 1900, as shown by post returns, was 64—being about 2 1-2 per cent of the membership of the year. Considering the fact that the Comrades of the G. A. R. are getting well along in years, and that the percentage of deaths in other departments has aggregated even as high as 10 per cent, or more, this is a remarkable showing, and one that speaks eloquently of the healthful climate of this Department and of the physical and moral well-being of our Comrades.

Before surrendering the office, permit me, through you, to offer—in all fraternal kindness—a few criticisms and suggestions that, if heeded by Post Officers, may serve my successor much unnecessary labor and add to the efficiency of our organization. At the risk of being voted "a common scold" and ducked in Puget Sound, I cite the following:

First: You will note from the tabulated report herewith that the returns to National Headquarters for the term ending June 30, 1900, show that twenty posts, having an aggregate membership of 630, were delinquent in rendering returns and paying per capita tax; and for the term ending December 31, 1900, eight of these were still delinquent, notwithstanding frequent and urgent appeals, and five additional posts became delinquent.

The membership of this Department reported to the Thirty-fourth National Encampment, convened in Chicago in August, 1900, was thereby only sixty posts and 1938 members, although the actual membership, as shown by the returns of posts, when finally received, was eighty posts and 2590 members. For the term ending December, 31, 1900, my report to National Headquarters only showed 69 posts, embracing a membership of 2354, when the actual condition, as shown by post returns when all were in, was 82 posts and 2577 members.

This showing, particularly the first referred to, was a very bad one and, if I may be pardoned, wholly unnecessary, due to the negligence of the officers of the posts concerned—a negligence shared by the Commanders of those posts with their Adjutants and Quartermasters, for it is the duty of Post Commanders to see that returns are properly made out and promptly forwarded to De-

partment headquarters. The delinquency was not confined to the small, struggling posts, but one of the leading and numerically strong posts of the Department was the principal delinquent. For the small posts in the country, with membership scattered, officers inexperienced in bookkeeping, and not in close touch with each other, much allowance can be made, but not so with posts in cities, officered by business men. I will spare the feelings of the delinquents by refraining from mentioning the names of delinquents, hoping that having seen the result of their delinquency they and their successors will do better in the future.

Second—Numerous errors occur in post returns that require returning them for correction, and in many cases several letters are required before these errors are corrected; these are usually errors in Adjutants' reports of membership and in Quartermasters' financial reports. Greater care in making up these reports will save an Assistant Adjutant General much labor. The printed blanks for the various reports are so simple and so plain that with ordinary care errors are impossible.

Third—It is evident that the rules and regulations are unfamiliar to many post officers and that general orders from headquarters are not thoroughly read and obeyed. For Post Surgeons' reports are seldom rendered and when so done are more often sent to headquarters instead of to the Medical Director. Post Chaplains' Memorial Day reports, which should be rendered direct to the Department Chaplain, *immediately* after Memorial Day, are not rendered at all by many posts, and are as often sent to headquarters, if at all. The Annual Inspections are often neglected and reports of same delayed beyond all reason, if rendered at all. The department officers have, by untiring zeal and effort, succeeded in obtaining reports from most of the posts; probably one-half of these were sent to Department headquarters, instead of to the proper officers direct. Reports of annual elections and installation of officers, which are among the most important reports rendered by posts—for from them the Rosters and the Roll of the Encampments are made up—and which should be promptly forwarded to Department headquarters, were badly behind this year; and some are still unrendered; if the names of the Commanders, Past Commanders or Representatives are not found on the roll of the present Encampment, or the Post Officers for 1901 contained in the printed roster, the omission is due to the failure of posts to make these reports.

In general, may I be permitted a final word: That every offi-

cer of a post should familiarize himself with the Rules and Regulations, orders from Department Headquarters should be carefully read and both should be punctiliously observed. If this were done, the labors of Department Officers would be greatly lightened and the efficiency of the organization increased.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

HENRY C. OLNEY, A. A. G.

The Department Commander referred the report of the Assistant Adjutant General to the following committee, viz: Comrades M. C. Cole, of Post No. 24, New Whatcom; S. F. Street, of Post No. 1, Seattle, and H. F. Emerson, of Post No. 6, Tacoma.

Henry C. Olney, Assistant Quartermaster General, presented his annual report, together with the report of the Council of Administration thereon, as follows, viz:

#### REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

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

SPOKANE, WASH., June 25, 1901.

*To B. R. Freeman, Department Commander:*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE—I herewith submit my report of the financial transactions of this office during the term ending this date:

#### CASH RECEIPTS.

1900—		Dr.
June 15—From J. H. Wilson, A. Q. M. G.....	\$ 321.26	
June 30—From per capita tax, first term.....	518.00	
Dec. 31—From per capita tax, second term.....	512.80	
1901—		
June 25—From sales of Supplies to date.....	231.54	
June 25—From five Charters and Supplies there- with .....	50.00	
		—————\$1633.60

PER CONTRA, CR.—CASH DISBURSEMENTS.

	Cr.
Paid Chaplain C. D. Spencer, appr'd June 14.....	\$ 15.00
Paid A. A. G. Geo. H. Boardman, appr'd June 14	5.00
Paid Printing Journal 18th Encampment.....	115.00
Paid Printing Roster 1901.....	22.50
Paid Miscellaneous Printing, Stationery, Bind'g..	67.50
Paid Postage and Incidentals.....	78.29
Paid Freight and Express .....	20.27
Paid Telegrams .....	5.05
Paid Headquarters 34th Nat'l Encampment.....	35.00
Paid Badges for Dept. Officers and Delegates to 34th National Encampment .....	10.00
Paid Banner (Guidon), 34th Nat'l Encampment...	2.00
Paid Appropriation for Dept. Commander.....	150.00
Paid Supplies purchased .....	189.90
Paid Salary A. A. G and A. Q. M. G.....	400.00
Paid Rent .....	50.00
Paid Per Capita Tax first half 1900.....	24.33
Paid Per Capita Tax second half 1900.....	29.36
Balance (certified check attached).....	414.40
	\$1633.60

SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

1900—	Dr.
June 15—To Balance, per Report J. H. Wilson, A. Q. M. G. ....	\$ 99.48
June 15—To Cash paid for Supplies as per Vouchers	189.90
Balance (profits on sales).....	120.00
	\$409.38

1901—	PER CONTRA.	Cr.
June 25—By cash sales to date, per requisitions...		\$ 231.54
By furnished 5 new posts with Supplies at \$4.65 each .....		23.25
By transferred to property account.....		31.85
By credit voucher J. H. Wilson, A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. ....		4.85
By inventory supplies on hand.....		117.89
		\$409.38

## RESOURCES, JUNE 25, 1901.

Cash on hand, certified check.....	\$414.40
Supplies per Inventory .....	117.89
Furniture and Fixtures .....	31.85
Banners and Flags .....	102.00

Total .....	\$666.14
Liabilities, none.	

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

HENRY C. OLNEY, A. Q. M. G.

## REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.  
TACOMA, WASH., June 25, 1901.

*To the Nineteenth Encampment, Department of Washington and  
Alaska, G. A. R.*

Your Council of Administration beg leave to report that we have examined the report, books and vouchers of your A. Q. M. G., and find the same correct, the books well and accurately kept, with a balance of \$414.40, which amount is turned over to the incoming administration by a certified check on the Exchange National Bank of Spokane.

We recommend the brief and accurate method of your A. A. G. in keeping his accounts, and congratulate the Department in the apparent good financial condition of the various Posts, from the fact that not a single Post in the Department is reported in arrears for its dues.

We recommend that an appropriation of \$150 be made from the Department funds to pay the expenses of the incoming Department Commander, in visiting Posts in this Department, this appropriation to be used for no other purpose.

We recommend that \$400 be allowed the incoming A. A. G. and A. Q. G. for salary.

We recommend that the Council of Administration meet on the second Wednesday of January, 1902, to determine the date of the

meeting of the next annual Encampment, and to transact such other business as may be necessary.

We further recommend that two members of the present Council of Administration be re-elected by this Encampment.

We find that the Department Commander paid from his own funds \$29 for room rent for headquarters at the National Encampment at Chicago, and we your Council of Administration recommend that the same be allowed and paid by this Encampment.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

W. H. WISCOMBE,  
RICHARD BRADLEY,  
W. HANNA,  
GEO. B. LANE,  
J. M. COMSTOCK.  
Council of Administration.

On motion the above reports were adopted by this Encampment and ordered printed in the Journal.

It having been announced that National Commander, General Leo Rassiour, of St. Louis, Mo., was in the city, a committee consisting of Comrades J. G. Gundlach of Post No. 47, Spokane, and S. F. Street, of Post No. 1, Seattle, was appointed to invite the National Commander to visit the Encampment and escort him hither.

The Committee on Rules and Order of Business presented the following report, viz:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ORDER OF  
BUSINESS.

TACOMA, WASH., June 25, 1901.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.

*To the Nineteenth Annual Encampment, Department of Wash-  
ington and Alaska, G. A. R.*

COMRADES—Your Committee on Rules and Order of Business report the following order of business, viz.:

## FIRST DAY—TUESDAY.

Opening.  
 Appointments of Committees.  
 Reports of Department Officers.  
 Special order 2 p. m., Reception and Welcome of Commander-in-Chief.  
 Selection of Location of Twentieth Annual Encampment.  
 Reports of Committees.

## SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY.

Reports of Committees—Continued.  
 New Business.  
 Special Order 2 p. m., "Good of the Order."  
 Special Order, 3 p. m., Election of Officers.  
 We recommend that all speeches be limited to five minutes.  
 We recommend that in all balloting Posts shall be called in their order by the A. A. G., and that the Commander of each Post, or the Chairman of the delegation shall collect the ballots of his Post, canvass them and announce the result.

## THIRD DAY—THURSDAY.

Installation of Officers at the Soldiers' Home at Orting, at 11 o'clock a. m.  
 Unfinished Business.  
 Adjournment, *sine die*.  
 Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

GEO. H. BOARDMAN,  
 J. M. COMSTOCK,  
 GEO. B. LANE,

Committee.

On motion the report was adopted.

Assistant Adjutant General Henry C. Olney having reported that only about 40 copies of the printed proceedings of the last National Encampment had been received by this Department for distribution to the various officers and posts entitled thereto, and that the number received was far short of the number required for that purpose, it was moved and carried that the present and incoming Assistant Adjutant Generals of this Department be authorized to distrib-

ute said reports, as far as they will go, among the various officers and posts according to their best judgment.

On motion the Encampment took a recess until 2 p. m.

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#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

During the noon recess it having come to the knowledge of the members of the Encampment that the Elks Hall, in which the Woman's Relief Corps was holding its convention, was far too small to accommodate the number present, Comrade George H. Boardman, Chairman of the Tacoma Executive Committee, was authorized to tender that organization the use of the Tacoma Theater for its afternoon session, which offer being accepted, an exchange of halls was made for the afternoon.

The Encampment was called to order by the Department Commander at 2:30 p. m. in the Elks Hall.

On motion a committee consisting of Comrades F. H. Hurd, of Post No. 1, Seattle; J. T. Sherfey, of Post No. 89, Everett, and George H. Boardman of Post No. 6, Tacoma, was appointed to convey the fraternal greetings of this Encampment to the Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Washington and Alaska now in session in this city, and said committee immediately left the hall to perform that duty.

The Officer of the Day announced the presence at the outpost of the Commander-in-Chief, Leo Rassieur, escorted by the committee from this Encampment. They were ordered admitted, and the members being called to their feet, the Commander-in-Chief was received at a salute with honors, and was introduced to the members present in a speech of welcome by Department Commander B. R. Freeman, after which the Commander-in-Chief made a stirring speech, which elicited hearty applause from the comrades present. At the conclusion of the speech three hearty cheers and a tiger were given

for the Commander-in-Chief, and with the comrades standing at a salute he was escorted from the hall.

The committee to convey fraternal greetings to the Woman's Relief Corps returned and reported that duty performed and was accordingly discharged.

Department Chaplain Rev. W. H. Mock presented his annual report, which he prefaced by interesting remarks on the observance of Memorial Day by the various posts of the Department, special mention being made of Comrade Thomas Landes, of Admiral Porter Post No. 66, of Mossy Rock, for having, almost alone and unaided, kept up the cherished memories of that sacred day in that isolated portion of the state by the decoration of the grave of the only Union soldier buried in that vicinity.

#### REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.  
OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN,

PORT ANGELES, WASH., June 22, 1901.

*To Comrade B. R. Freeman, Department Commander G. A. R.:*

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

Number of Posts in Department.....	85
Number of Posts reporting Memorial Services.....	63

##### MEMORIAL SABBATH SERVICES.

Number of Posts attending services.....	57
Number of sermons preached to Posts.....	56
Number of sermons preached by Veterans.....	10
Number of sermons preached by Sons of Veterans.....	5
Number of sermons preached by non-Soldiers.....	41
Number of Comrades present at such services.....	1,839
Number of Woman's Relief Corps participating with Posts at such services .....	31
Number of members of Woman's Relief Corps attending such services .....	822

##### MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES.

Number of Posts observing Memorial Day Services.....	62
Number of Comrades participating in Memorial Day Services.	2,787

Number of Woman's Relief Corps participating in Memorial Day Services .....	31
Number of Members of Woman's Relief Corps participating in Memorial Day Services .....	822
Number of cemeteries in which graves were decorated.....	100
Number of graves decorated .....	1,556
Number of graves unmarked by headstones (most of these provided for) .....	397
Number of public schools engaging in Memorial Day services ..	149
Number of pupils participating.....	15,905
Number of other organizations participating.....	89
Number of addresses delivered to Posts on Memorial Day...	60
Number of addresses delivered by Veterans.....	15
Number of addresses delivered by Sons of Veterans.....	8
Number of addresses delivered by non-Soldiers.....	37
Number of Posts having burial plots.....	25

How would you improve upon and make more impressive the exercises of Memorial Day, and better enlist the sympathy and participation of the public?

Remarks: By enlisting the children in our sacred and impressive Memorial Day exercises, and by discouraging all kinds of games and public amusements and every form of desecration of Memorial Day.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

W. H. Mock, Dept. Chaplain.

Port Angeles, Wash.

On motion said report was adopted and ordered printed in the Journal of Proceedings of the Encampment.

The Officer of the Day announced the presence at the outpost of a committee from the Woman's Relief Corps. The ladies were admitted and were received with due honors, the members rising and standing at a salute as they entered the hall. The delegation consisted of Mrs. B. R. Freeman and Mrs. C. D. Ide. The latter made a short speech and presented the following letter of congratulation:

## REPORT OF WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA,  
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R.  
SEATTLE, WASH., June 25, 1901.

*B. R. Freeman, Department Commander G. A. R.*

The Woman's Relief Corps of the Sixteenth Department Convention extend greetings through you to the Nineteenth Department Encampment, now in session, and submit to you a summary of our work for the year just ended.

Expended in Relief .....	\$ 693.36
Turned over to Posts .....	293.70
Estimated value other than money.....	633.72
For Memorial Day .....	459.35
For Memorial Day in South.....	17.00
National Woman's Relief Corp's Home.....	10.00
Galveston Sufferers in Texas.....	151.75
Chickamauga Monument to Loyal Women.....	17.80
Department Headquarters Relief .....	10.00

Total amount expended .....	\$2286.63
Number of soldiers assisted .....	70
Number in soldiers' families assisted.....	211
Total number of persons assisted .....	751

In conclusion I wish to assure you that we, the wives, mothers, daughters and friends of the Grand Army of the Republic, pledge ourselves anew to the work of caring for the soldier and his dependent ones.

Respectfully submitted.

LIDA McKERCHER, Dept. President.

Department Commander B. R. Freeman responded, assuring the ladies of the hearty appreciation of the members of the G. A. R. of the work and assistance of the Woman's Relief Corps, and of its co-operation in the noble work in which they are engaged. After three hearty cheers for the Relief Corps the ladies were escorted from the hall.

The Medical Director, Comrade T. M. Young, M. D., read the following report, which was accepted, placed on file and ordered printed in the Journal.

REPORT OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.

TACOMA, WASH., June 25, 1901.

*To B. R. Freeman, Commander Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.*

SIR AND COMMANDER—I have the honor to submit the following report, which is necessarily fragmentary:

Only 27 Posts reported to me, giving, deaths, 24. To which add deaths reported to the A. A. G., 40. None are reported from the Soldiers' Home.

Amount of money and money value of services for ex-soldiers and members of the families of ex-soldiers, not including any from the county indigent soldiers' fund, reported to me—\$1070.

I sincerely regret the necessity which compels me to make such a report as this, when I am confident that the amount reported for charity is not one-third of that which has really been expended by the Posts, by individual Comrades and by the Woman's Relief Corps. The latter organization invariably comes to the front with a larger sum to the credit of charity than does the Department.

This imperfect showing emphasizes the fact that the Grand Army of the Republic has a tender care for its sick and destitute members and their families and that it and its allied organizations have not lost sight of the Fraternity that cherishes, the Charity that nourishes, and the Loyalty to each other that has built up and sustained the best fraternal organization the world has ever known. And herein lies the sufficient answer to the frequent aspersions cast upon the objects and desires of the Grand Army, the bonds of which lead them to the bedside of the suffering, by night or by day, to minister a cup of cold water, if no more, in the name of fraternity and in memory of the days when we followed the Flag.

In F. C. and L.

THOMAS MILES YOUNG, Medical Director.

Inspector General, Comrade F. H. Hurd, presented the following report:

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR GENERAL.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.

SEATTLE, WASH., June 7, 1901.

*To B. R. Freeman, Commander Department of Washington and  
Alaska, G. A. R.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE—I have the honor to submit my report for the year just closing. Two Posts, No. 34 and No. 101, are not included in the consolidated statement. Post No. 34 I have been informed by the Department Commander is in good standing, but for some reason I have been unable to get a direct report from its officers. I have endeavored to reach Post No. 101 by mail several times, but have received no reply from the officers. The reports have been very slow in coming in and the delay on my part in forwarding this report has been caused by a desire to be able to have some report from every Post that was in existence in the Department before January 1, 1901, and I ask that the good intent be allowed to atone for what might, from some standpoints, be considered very defective.

I regret very much that my good intentions could not be carried out.

The reports from the Assistant Inspectors justify my saying that some of the weaker Posts are having a struggle to hold their identity, and where there are no new Comrades coming in to fill the ranks that disease and time are depleting, they will soon be compelled to surrender. Every one of those Comrades seem to realize the conditions and all are anxious to put off that day. My correspondence has brought me in touch with the Order to such an extent that I realize more fully than I ever have before what an effort it requires to follow strictly the rules and regulations in all of the details connected with our order. Those Comrades belonging to the isolated Posts who have struggled to get to their meetings once a month, sometimes going six, eight or ten miles, through the winter storms, over muddy roads, through the forests, and sometimes up and down the rivers, for miles, for no other purpose than to attend Post meetings, have proved their loyalty to the order by making sacrifices that we who can step into a street car and ride to our Post room know nothing of, and though some

of these Posts have been a little slow with their reports they have not been slow to show their appreciation of the order.

When, in the years to come, it shall be told to our grandchildren and their children, that the Grand Army was composed of devoted comrades, it will also be told how many of those gray-haired veterans that followed "Old Glory" from Bull Run to Appomattox, and from Fort Henry to Savannah, lived and died as members of the G. A. R. in the Department of Washington and Alaska, isolated in many instances from the advanced privileges of social life, which belong to older communities, but devoted to their order and the cause it represents.

Thanking you for the assistance rendered and for the generous and courteous consideration I have received from you, I have the honor to subscribe myself, yours in F. C. and L.

F. H. HURD, Inspector General.

On motion said report was ordered placed on file and printed in the Journal of Proceedings.

Comrade C. D. Spencer of Post No. 82, of Centralia, Chairman of the Board of Patriotic Instruction, made a brief verbal report.

Chief Mustering Officer, Comrade Richard Bradley, presented and read the following report:

#### REPORT OF CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER.

SEATTLE, WASH., June 24, 1901.

*To B. R. Freeman, Commander Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.*

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE—I have the honor to submit my report as Chief Mustering Officer of the Department of Washington and Alaska, for the year ending with the present Department Encampment.

While, as the years roll on, the number of Posts in many of the Departments are decreasing, it is with peculiar satisfaction that I can report material increase in the Department of Washington and Alaska. It is not only the increased number of Posts, drawing into our ranks many Comrades who had either never been members of our order, or else have long since allowed their membership to lapse, but also, it shows a reviving interest among those

who had seemed to be forgetful not only of their privilege, but of their obligations.

The addition of five new Posts during the year is indeed a matter for rejoicing, and the Chief Mustering Officer takes pleasure in tendering his congratulations to the Department Commander, whose zeal and fidelity has been so instrumental in bringing about this result. The following is a list of the new Posts:

J. A. Mower, No. 101—Organized July 14, 1900, at Bossburg, by Department Commander Freeman. Nine members.

John M. Palmer, No. 102—Organized November 8, 1900, at Clarkston, by Comrade J. M. King, of Lewis Post 37. Fourteen members.

James A. Sexton, No. 103—Organized at Seattle by Past A. A. G., James H. Wilson, of Miller Post 31. Sixteen members.

Harrison, No. 104—Organized March 30, 1901, at Chelan, by Comrade J. L. Dutton of H. A. Miles Post 45. Fourteen members.

Daniel McCook, No. 105—Organized April 18, 1901, at Wenatchee, by Comrade A. P. Clayton of No. 82, Centralia. Seventeen members.

Some of these Posts have increased their membership materially since organization, notably Sexton No. 103, which has more than doubled its original number, and counts on a membership of at least 50 before the close of 1901.

Sincerely in F. C. and L.

RICHARD BRADLEY, Chief Mustering Officer,  
Dept. Washington and Alaska G. A. R.

On motion said report was ordered placed on file and printed in the Journal of the Encampment.

The committee to whom was referred the Assistant Adjutant General's report presented the following:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL'S REPORT.

TACOMA, WASH., June 25, 1901.

COMRADES—Your Committee takes pleasure in noting the efficient and admirable way in which the Assistant Adjutant General

has presented in detail and in general grouping the business of the Department transacted during his term of office.

No Post or Comrade can plead ignorance of Department affairs with this report in their possession without impeachment of themselves.

Your committee would be recreant to conviction, as well as duty, if they did not emphasize the wise, needed and eminently practical suggestions made by the Assistant Adjutant General about the official reports required by the Rules and Regulations adopted for the guidance and control of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Your committee begs leave to report further that they recommend that the suggestions of the Assistant Adjutant General, made in this report, be read in open meeting once, if not twice, a year, by the Adjutant of each Post in the Department.

Respectfully submitted.

M. C. COLE,  
S. F. STREET,  
Committee.

Comrade J. J. See, of Post No. 68, Anacortes, moved that the report of the committee be received and printed in the Journal, and the committee discharged. Carried.

The following communication was read by the Assistant Adjutant General:

VANCOUVER, WASH., June 25, 1901.

*Department Encampment G. A. R.*

COMRADES—I greet you and wish you and each of you a joyous meeting. Pressing official duties prevent my attending your meeting.  
W. R. DUNBAR.

Comrade J. M. Comstock, of Post No. 8, Spokane, introduced the following resolution, which was adopted unanimously:

#### SOLDIERS' HOME AT FORT SHERMAN.

WHEREAS, The Thirty-fourth National Encampment, held at Chicago, Ill., adopted a resolution asking the government to establish a national Soldiers' Home upon the site of Fort Sherman, Idaho, upon the beautiful shores of Lake Coeur d'Alene, and

WHEREAS, The buildings formerly occupied by the government

troops are now unoccupied and could be utilized for a Home with very little expense, therefore be it

*Resolved,* That this Encampment again most heartily endorses the proposition, and urges the Department Commander and delegates-elect to use their united energies in again asking the forthcoming National Encampment to endorse the plan and urge Congress to make an appropriation sufficient to at once open the grounds for a National Soldiers' Home.

Comrade George B. Lane of Post No. 5 of Olympia, moved that a copy of the above resolution be sent by the Assistant Adjutant General to each of our representatives in congress. Carried unanimously.

Comrade J. M. Comstock, of Post No. 8, of Spokane, made the announcement of the death since our last annual Encampment of Past Department Commander Gen. A. P. Curry, of Post No. 8, Spokane, and moved that a committee of three be appointed to prepare suitable resolutions in respect thereto.

Announcement of the death of Past Department Commander Comrade C. M. Holton, of Post No. 9, of North Yakima, was also made, and an amendment was offered that a committee also be appointed to prepare resolutions on his death. The amendment being accepted, the motion was put and carried as amended, and the following committees appointed by the Department Commander, viz:

On the death of Past Department Commander A. P. Curry: Comrades J. M. Comstock, of Post No. 8, Spokane; J. W. Langley, of Post No. 31, Seattle, and Geo. W. Tibbetts, of Post No. 1, Seattle.

On the death of Past Department Commander C. M. Holton: Comrades M. M. Holmes, of Post No. 1, Seattle; M. C. Cole, of Post No. 24, New Whatcom, and W. H. Wiscombe, of Post No. 47, Spokane.

A number of regimental and state reunions were announced

to take place tomorrow morning at various places in the city and members urged to attend the same.

On motion the Encampment adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

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**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 1901.**

The Encampment was called to order at 10:30 a. m. and opened in form.

Prayer by Department Chaplain Rev. W. H. Mock.

The report of the committee to whom was referred the address of the Department Commander was then presented and read, as follows:

**REPORT ON DEPARTMENT COMMANDER'S ADDRESS.**

TACOMA, June 25, 1901.

We, the Committee on Department Commander's Address, respectfully report:

We commend to the careful consideration of the comrades, the sentiments expressed in our Commander's address, and congratulate him on the clear and concise manner in which he has expressed the same. We owe our best wishes and kindest regard to Commander Freeman.

In F. C. and L.

J. S. BROWN,  
W. H. MOCK,  
C. T. PATTERSON,  
Committee.

On motion said report was ordered placed on file and printed in the minutes of the proceedings, and the committee discharged.

The Department Commander called Past Department Commander J. W. Langley to the chair.

Nominations for the place for holding the next annual Encampment being declared in order, the following nominations were made:

Seattle, by Comrade J. M. Westling, of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

Everett, by Past Department Commander M. M. Holmes, of Post No. 1, Seattle.

South Bend, by Past Department Commander J. S. Brown, of Post No. 69, South Bend.

Tacoma, by Comrade George H. Boardman, of Post No. 6, Tacoma.

Comrade J. T. Sherfey, of Post No. 89, Everett, seconded the nomination of Everett and made a telling speech in favor of the selection of that city and also read an invitation from Mayor Charles K. Green and the city council of Everett to the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Washington and Alaska, to hold the next annual Encampment in that city.

Comrade Richard Bradley, of Post No. 31, Seattle, also seconded the nomination of Everett and made a brief but telling speech in support thereof.

After much discussion, the names of all the places above mentioned were withdrawn except that of Everett, which was thereupon declared to be the unanimous choice of the Encampment.

Comrade J. T. Sherfey, of Post No. 89, Everett, in a neat speech thanked the Encampment for the honor conferred on his home city.

Department Chaplain W. H. Mock moved that committees be appointed, of one each, to notify the Woman's Relief Corps and the Sons of Veterans of our selection of a place for holding the next annual Encampment. Carried.

The Department Chaplain was appointed as such committee to

visit the Woman's Relief Corps and Past Department Commander M. M. Holmes to visit the Sons of Veterans and make said announcement to them.

Comrade W. L. C. Atkinson, of Post No. 54, Orting, moved that the rules be suspended and that the election of officers be taken up at 2 o'clock this afternoon instead of 3 o'clock, as heretofore set. After much discussion the motion was put to vote and declared lost.

At this point the Officer of the Day announced that Mrs. Mary L. Carr the National President of the Woman's Relief Corps was at the outpost and desired to visit the Encampment. Whereupon the Department Commander ordered that she be admitted at once and appointed Comrades J. H. Wilson, of Post No. 31, and Past Department Commander J. S. Brown, of Post No. 69, as a committee to escort the National President to the platform, which they did. The Encampment received the distinguished lady with due honor, all present rising and coming to a salute as she entered the hall and remaining so until seated by the Department Commander after he had introduced her to the assembled veterans.

Mrs. Carr made an eloquent address to the delegates, full of patriotism and loyalty to the flag and breathing sentiments of love and affection for the gallant heroes who offered their lives for the land they loved and pledging the renewed and continued efforts of the Woman's Relief Corps in behalf of the widows and orphans of the dead, and for the succor and relief of the surviving needy Union soldiers.

At the conclusion of the address Department Commander Freeman presented the lady with an Encampment badge, for which she expressed her thanks, and amid the cheers of the delegates retired from the hall.

It was moved and seconded that the motion to suspend the rules and to take the election of officers out of the special order of business as previously announced, be reconsidered. After much discussion Past Department Commander J. W. Langley, of Post No. 31, Seattle, being in the chair, ruled the same out of order on the

ground that where organized bodies meet for a session of more than one day and adopt an order of business, any motion to change the order of business must be made on the first day of the session.

Comrade J. J. See, of Emory Post No. 68, Anacortes, appealed from the decision of the chair.

At this point the proceedings were interrupted by the announcement of the Officer of the Day that a committee from the Division Encampment of the Sons of Veterans was at the outpost awaiting admittance. The committee, consisting of S. A. Locke, G. F. Thompson and Charles Pepper, were admitted and received in due form. They conveyed the fraternal greetings and congratulations of the Sons of Veterans to the Encampment. After a brief response from the Department Commander, the committee retired.

The discussion on the motion to change the order of business was then resumed.

The appeal from the decision of the chair having been seconded by Comrades Geo. B. Lane, of Post No. 5; P. J. Knapp, of No. 31; J. M. Comstock, of No. 8; J. J. See, of No. 68, and others, a standing vote was taken and the decision of the chair was sustained by a vote of 207 in favor, to 18 against.

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

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#### AFTERNOON SESSION,

The Encampment was called to order by the Department Commander at 2 p. m., and was opened under the head of "Good of the Order," and addressed by Past Department Commander J. S. Brown, Medical Director T. M. Young, Comrades Thad Huston, of Post No. 6, A. H. Foote, of Post No. 31, and many others.

The Assistant Adjutant General read a letter from John H. Stine, publisher of a History of the Army of the Potomac, asking for

the endorsement of the Department of Washington and Alaska. No action taken.

The hour of 3 o'clock having arrived, on motion of Comrade J. H. Wilson, of Post No. 31, the

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Was taken up.

The Assistant Adjutant General read Section 22 of Article IV. of the Rules and Regulations, pertaining to the election of officers.

The Department Commander appointed as tellers Comrades S. F. Street, of Post No. 1, and Thomas Mattison, of Post No. 6.

Nominations for Department Commander being declared in order, Comrade Thad Huston, of Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma, on behalf of that post placed in nomination for that office Comrade George H. Boardman, of Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma.

Comrade F. H. Hurd, of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle, placed in nomination Comrade H. A. Bigelow, of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

On behalf of Phil Sheridan Post No. 44, Tacoma, Comrade W. N. Wright of that post placed Comrade S. T. Armstrong, of the same post, in nomination.

All of the foregoing nominations being numerously seconded, and no further names suggested, nominations were declared closed and the Encampment proceeded to ballot for a choice, but before proceeding very far with the balloting, Camrades Boardman and Armstrong withdrew their names and, on motion, the Assistant Adjutant General cast the unanimous ballot of the Encampment for Comrade Harry A. Bigelow, of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle, for Department Commander for the ensuing year, and he was declared duly elected to that office.

Nominations for Senior Vice Commander being the next in order, Comrade B. C. Bedell, of A. Lincoln Post No. 4, Walla Walla, placed in nomination for that office Comrade S. T. Armstrong, of Post No. 44, Tacoma, and there being no further nominations, on motion the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot

of the Encampment for Comrade Armstrong, who was thereupon declared duly elected to that office.

For Junior Vice Commander, Comrades James Dutton, of H. A. Miles Post No. 45, Waterville, and E. Morrison, of Reno Post No. 47, Spokane, were placed in nomination. Subsequently Comrade Morrison's name was withdrawn and on motion the Assistant Adjutant General cast the unanimous ballot of the Encampment for Comrade James Dutton, and he was declared duly elected to that office.

For Medical Director, Comrade J. L. Smith, of Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane, was placed in nomination by Comrade J. M. Comstock. He being the only nominee, on motion the Assistant Adjutant General cast the unanimous ballot of the Encampment for Comrade J. L. Smith.

For Department Chaplain, Rev. W. H. Mock, of Pacific Post No. 48, Port Angeles, was placed in nomination and on motion of Rev. C. D. Spencer, of T. P. Price Post No. 82, the Assistant Adjutant General cast the unanimous ballot of the Encampment for Comrade Mock.

For Delegate at Large, Comrade A. H. Foote, of Miller Post No. 31, nominated Comrade Joseph Dickerson of that post.

Comrade C. W. Stewart, of L. C. Ladd Post No. 17, Puyallup, nominated Comrade J. H. Coffman of that post, for Delegate.

Comrade L. W. Sutton, of Ellsworth Post No. 2, Vancouver, presented the name of Comrade T. M. Anderson, of that post, for Delegate.

Comrade J. M. Comstock, of Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane, placed the name of Comrade O. W. Lewis, of that post, in nomination for Delegate.

All of the above nominations being duly seconded and there being no further nominations, on motion the Assistant Adjutant General was instructed to cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade Joseph Dickerson, of Post No. 31, for Delegate at Large,

and for Comrades J. H. Coffman, of Post No. 17, T. M. Anderson, of Post No. 2, and O. W. Lewis, of Post No. 8, for Delegates to the National Encampment. The ballot was so cast and they were declared duly elected.

In like manner Comrades R. H. Ball, of Larrabee Post No. 18, La Conner; C. B. Dunning, of Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane; Robert McMann, of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle; and John A. Young, of Ellsworth Post No. 2, Vancouver, were nominated and elected alternates.

As members of the Council of Administration, Comrades W. H. Wiscombe, of Sedgwick Post No. 8, Abraham Garl, of Sherman Post No. 97, B. C. Bedell of Lincoln Post No. 4, J. M. Comstock, of Sedgwick Post No. 8, and D. L. Fordney, of Plummer Post No. 95, were nominated, and on motion the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot for the comrades named and they were declared duly elected.

The Committees on Resolutions on the deaths of Past Department Commanders A. P. Curry and C. M. Holton were each granted further time to report, and the name of Comrade William Markham was added to the first named committee.

On motion of Comrade Geo. W. Tibbetts, of Post No. 1, the sum of fifteen dollars was allowed the Department Chaplain, W. H. Mock, for expenses attending the Encampment.

The Department Commander installed the Medical Director-elect, Comrade J. L. Smith, into his office, as the comrade desired to be excused for the remaining sessions of the Encampment.

On motion the Encampment adjourned until 11 o'clock a. m. tomorrow, to meet at the Soldiers' Home at Orting for installation of officers.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 1901, 11 O'CLOCK.**

Encampment called to order at Soldiers' Home, Orting, by the Department Commander, B. R. Freeman. Opened in form. Prayer by the Department Chaplain, Rev. W. H. Mock.

Comrade H. A. Bigelow moved that the present Assistant Adjutant General have printed for distribution 500 copies of the Journal of Proceedings of the Nineteenth Annual Encampment. Carried.

Comrade G. W. Tibbetts moved that the sum of fifteen dollars be appropriated W. P. Markham, A. A. A. G., for stenographic report of the proceedings of the Nineteenth Annual Encampment and extending the same. Carried.

The Encampment then proceeded to the

## INSTALLATION OF DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

The Department Commander appointed Past Department Commander G. W. Tibbetts as installing officer, and E. C. Kilbourne as O. D.

The installing officer thereupon proceeded to install the following officers into their respective positions, viz:

Department Commander.....	HARRY A. BIGELOW
Senior Vice Commander.....	S. T. ARMSTRONG
Junior Vice Commander.....	J. L. DUTTON
Chaplain .....	REV. W. H. MOCK

Department Commander Harry A. Bigelow named A. Melvin Cole as his Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, and he was duly installed into his said offices.

On motion the Nineteenth Annual Encampment was closed.



Assistant Adjutant General.

IN MEMORIAM.

CHARLES M. HOLTON.

The committee appointed to report resolutions on the death of Past Department Commander Charles M. Holton, presented the following, viz.:

Comrade Charles M. Holton was born in the State of New York, and died at his home in North Yakima, August 21, 1899.

He enlisted as a private in Co. A, Seventh Michigan Cavalry, September 4, 1862, and was mustered out as First Lieutenant June 23, 1865. At the battle of Falling Waters, Va., July 14, 1863, a portion of his regiment, acting as support for Battery M, 2nd U. S. Light Artillery, saw the enemy's column advancing to charge the battery; there were only 70 men in the detachment, but that gallant 70 mounted and advanced to meet the charge, checked it and brought from the field 400 prisoners with the battle flag of the Fifty-fifth Virginia, which was captured by Sergeant Charles M. Holton. For this heroic deed Comrade Holton received from the Congress of the United States a Medal of Honor.

Comrade Holton came to Washington in 1882 and resided in Yakima county until his death, except when serving his country abroad as consul.

He was a charter member and the first Commander of Meade Post No. 9, and at the Fourth Annual Encampment, held at Walla Walla in April, 1886, was elected Department Commander.

His surviving comrades of the Department of Washington and Alaska, mindful of his heroic valor as a soldier and his genuine worth as a comrade, set aside a page in the Journal of the Nineteenth Encampment, sacred to his memory, and place again on record the following words uttered by him at the Fifth Annual Encampment:

"On this field the duties are those of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. That fraternity which was welded in the fires of battle and strengthened with passing years. That fraternity which guards with jealous care the good name of every worthy comrade; sustains him in the right, chides him kindly in the wrong, rejoices in his prosperity and laments the coming of adversity to his door. That charity which feels its promptings from the depths of a sincere and upright heart, embraces all comrades, their widows and orphans, is seen in kindly smiles, words of cheer, looks of sympathy and acts which relieve the over-burdened shoulder; a charity keenly alive

to the welfare of others, the greatest of all virtues. Such loyalty as sustained the brave old legions of our fathers and crowned their efforts with victory. A loyalty which burned in the bosom of their sons, nearly a century afterward, and hurried them to the field to preserve that victory. A loyalty born of patriotism, rocked in the cradle of virtue and reared in the school of intelligence."

M. M. HOLMES,  
M. C. COLE,  
WM. MARKHAM,  
W. H. WISCOMBE,  
Committee.

IN MEMORIAM.

A. P. CURRY.

The special committee to prepare and present resolutions on the death of the late Past Department Commander A. P. Curry, reported the following, viz.:

WHEREAS, "Lights out" has again been sounded, and our Past Department Commander, General A. P. Curry, has been summoned to respond to "roll call" upon the unknown shores of the great beyond, and

WHEREAS, He most faithfully and efficiently served this Department as its Commander, in its early history, and during the formative period of this organization, in the, then, Territory of Washington;

WHEREAS, His record, as a private in the 13th Illinois Infantry, as a captain of Bowen's Cavalry, in which he served with distinction for over two years, as colonel of the First West Tennessee Infantry, which he commanded till the close of the war—is that of a soldier who prized his country's honor above that of the lives of her citizens, and his courage and gallantry upon many a hard fought field testified to his devotion and loyalty to the flag, therefore be it

*Resolved*, By the officers and members of this encampment, that we extend to the widow of our honored Commander our most sincere and heartfelt sympathies in this, her sad bereavement. While she mourns for the dear one who will not return, we also mourn

the loss of a true and loyal comrade, and the country loses a brave defender who was ever true to the flag. And be it further

*Resolved,* That our charter be draped for a period of thirty days and that our Assistant Adjutant General be instructed to forward a copy of these resolutions to the widow of our late comrade, and that they be spread upon the minutes of this Encampment, and a copy furnished to the public press.

J. M. COMSTOCK.

J. W. LANGLEY,

G. W. TIBBETTS,

Committee.

## APPENDIX NO. 1

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Mortuary Record Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., for year 1900.

POST NAME AND No.	NAME.	DATE OF DEATH.	Co.	REGT.	STATE.
Stevens, No. 1.....	Williamson, D. R.....	Feb. 10, 1900.....	D	123	N. Y. Inf.
	Davis, Thos.....	Feb. 21, 1900.....	B	12	Pa. Inf.
	Day, Lucas.....	March 15, 1900.....	D	30	Wis. Inf.
	Campbell, Thos.....	May 26, 1900.....	E	64	Ill. Inf.
	Sadler, S. N.....	May 29, 1900.....	D	4	Me. Inf.
	Grinnell, G. L.....	June 12, 1900.....	H	6	Pa. Reserves.
	Davies, Geo.....	Sept. 3, 1900.....	A	11	Wis. Inf.
	Wilcox, J. H.....	Sept. 25, 1900.....	L	11	Me. Inf.
	Lubbin, J. H.....	Dec. 22, 1900.....	M	2	U. S. Art.
	A. Lincoln, No. 4.....	York, A. S.....	First Quarter.....		8
Geo. H. Thomas, No. 5..	Parrott, Henry J.....	Jan. 20, 1900.....	E	36	Ia. Inf.
	DeCoursey, B. W.....	April 2, 1900.....	D	50	U. S. Eng'rs.
	Young, H. F.....	May 14, 1900.....	B	3	Mich. Cav.
	Sargeant, Sam'l J.....	July 27, 1900.....	I	8	Wis. Inf.
	Sabin, Henry.....	Dec. 3, 1900.....	A	1	Wash.
Custer, No. 6.....	Wright, Wm. M.....	Jan. 15, 1900.....		14	Mass. Inf.
	Harris, S. H.....	Not stated.....	G	1	Mo. S. M.
Phil. Kearney, No. 7.....	Taylor, E. C. B.....	Not stated.....			
Sedgwick, No. 8.....	Meriman, Alfred M.....	Not stated.....	C	4	Mich. Cav.
David Ford, No. 11.....	Lawrence, Francis.....	Jan. 22, 1900.....	H	11	Ill. Inf.
	McDurill, J. E.....	April 29, 1900.....	T	150	Ind. Inf.
	Caruthers, J. C.....	Sept. 15, 1900.....	H	11	Mo. S. M.
McPherson, No. 12.....	Duvall, Geo. W.....	July 13, 1900.....			U. S. Vet. Vol. Eng.
Buckman, No. 14.....	Rideout, Wm. S.....	Jan. —, 1900.....			

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John A. Logan, No. 16...	Williams, Thos. ....	March 24, 1900.....	A	32	Mo. Inf.
	Pelton, Oscar H. ....	Oct. 15, 1900.....	D	8	Ill. Cav.
Larrabee, No. 18.....	Currier, O. C. ....	March 9, 1900.....			
Nat Lyon, No. 19.....	Clayman, Levi .....	Nov. 20, 1900.....	Bat	6	Wis. Lt. Art.
Joe Hooker, No. 25.....	Harman, Asa .....	Oct. 10, 1900.....		3	Mich. Cav.
Maj. Anderson, No. 29...	Merrill, M. T. ....	Oct. 10, 1900.....			U. S. Signal Corps.
J. F. Miller, No. 31.....	Pondurant, C. J. ....	March 20, 1900.....			
D. A. Russell, No. 35...	Phillips, John S. ....	March 3, 1900.....	D	4	Ark. Cav.
	McCall, Marvin .....	April 9, 1900.....	A	48	Wis. Inf.
J. J. Lewis, No. 37.....	Benedict, Hiram E. ....	May —, 1900.....			N. C. Vol.
W. B. Hazen, No. 46.....	York, Wm. R. ....	Dec. 26, 1900.....			
J. L. Reno, No. 47.....	Rae, Jas. E. ....	April 23, 1900.....	I	95	N. Y. Inf.
	Brown, H. T. ....	June 1, 1900.....	A	10	Mich. Cav.
	Fowler, W. O. ....	Dec. 23, 1900.....	E	2	D. C. Inf.
Pacific, No. 48.....	Kelley, Wm. ....	Nov. —, 1899.....	A	50	Pa. Inf.
	Fetterling, E. P. ....	Feb. 16, 1900.....	M	5	U. S. Art.
	Bernard, Casenare .....	March 3, 1900.....	A	2	Cal. Cav.
	Graves, W. H. ....	March 3, 1900.....	F	2	Col. Cav.
	Johnson, John .....	Sept. 7, 1900.....	K	2	Wis. Inf.
	Fowler, Richard .....	Dec. 12, 1900.....	E	82	N. Y. Inf.
Washington, No. 52.....	Young, Henry .....	Not stated .....	K	203	Pa. Inf.
Lt. Cushing, No. 56.....	Comer, C. T. ....	Sept. —, 1900.....	G	82	Pa. Inf.
	Pells, S. E. ....	Dec. —, 1900.....	K	17	Ill. Cav.
C. R. Apperson, No. 59...	Slater, Sam'l .....	Aug. 16, 1900.....	H	30	N. Y. Inf.
Gen. Milroy, No. 62.....	Morgan, Chas. ....	June 13, 1900.....	I		N. Y. H. A.
	Campbell, Jas. P. ....	July 11, 1900.....	I	1	Ore. Inf.
Wallace, No. 64.....	Hoxworth, Lewis .....	Dec. 15, 1900.....	D	32	Ill. Inf.
Gen. Emory, No. 68.....	Servers, John .....	April 26, 1900.....	E	7	Minn. Inf.
John C. Fremont, No. 69..	Smith, Frank .....	Feb. —, 1900.....			U. S. Navy.
	<i>alias</i> F. C. Fredrickson.				
A. J. Smith, No. 72.....	Winger, Sam'l .....	Sept. —, 1900.....	I	13	Mich. Inf.

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Mortuary Record Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., for year 1900.

POST NAME AND NO.	NAME.	DATE OF DEATH.	Co.	R'G'T	STATE.
E. J. Houghton, No. 75...	Bodge, Sam'l ..	April 27, 1900.....	F	14	Me. Inf.
	Weston, E. W.....	May 17, 1900.....		24	Mo. Inf.
H. R. Loomis, No. 80....	Hall, Hiram .....	June —, 1900.....		16	Wis. Inf.
Worthington, No. 81....	Beck, A. P.....	Not stated, 1900.....		120	Ill. Inf.
Winslow, No. 87.....	Bailey, F. J. S.....	Sept. 21, 1900.....	A	147	Ind. Inf.
Gen. Lander, No. 88....	Wentworth, Ricker .....	March 26, 1900.....	C	3	N. Y. Cav.
	Brink, John W.....	Sept. 22, 1900.....	G	148	Ill. Inf.
L. P. Plummer, No. 95...	Kinney, W. T.....	Dec. 21, 1900.....	B	1	Pa. Lt. Art.
Gen. Ewing, No. 96.....	Jones, Howell T.....	Jan. 3, 1900.....	K	11	Pa. Inf.
	Vowell, C. M.....	Aug. 21, 1900.....	H	1	Tenn. Inf.

## APPENDIX A.

HEADQUARTERS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,  
NINETEENTH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT, G. A. R.

TACOMA, July 1, 1901.

The Executive Committee thought that some facts relating to the Nineteenth Encampment would be of interest, and since the Encampment closed has issued a circular from which the following extracts are taken, viz.:

On page 51, Journal Seventeenth Encampment, is this paragraph: "The Encampment was the largest ever held in the State and no doubt none will ever exceed it, and it is gratifying to know that during the entire time nothing but the best of fraternal harmony prevailed and no accident occurred at any time to cast a shadow over the reunion of the comrades." The first prediction did not materialize. After the official register of the Seventeenth was made it showed 848 comrades registered; the Nineteenth shows 1014. There must have been more here, as a number of comrades checked on the Encampment roll do not show on the register. Every Northern State and Arkansas, Louisiana, North Carolina, Kentucky, Tennessee, West Virginia, New Mexico and District of Columbia were represented. One thing is wrong—of the 1014 here, 309 belonged to no posts, and a large number residing in this State belong to posts in other Departments.

The different States were represented as follows:

STATE.	Infty Regts.	Cavly Regts.	Art'y.
Maine .....	15	2	4
New Hampshire .....	5		
Vermont .....	3		1
Massachusetts .....	15	1	1
Rhode Island .....	2		1
Connecticut .....	6	1	1
New York .....	64	16	17
New Jersey .....	5	1	1
Pennsylvania .....	47	4	3
Delaware .....	1	1	
Maryland .....	3		2
West Virginia .....	2		1

STATE	Infty Regts.	Calvry Regts.	Arty.
District of Columbia .....	1		
New Mexico .....	1		
Tennessee .....	1	1	2
Kentucky .....	7	2	
Washington .....	1		
California .....	2	2	
Louisiana .....		1	
Michigan .....	26	10	3
Ohio .....	63	4	6
Oregon .....	2	2	
Indiana .....	51	6	1
Arkansas .....	1	1	
Kansas .....	9	5	1
Illinois .....	86	15	4
Colorado .....	2	4	1
Wisconsin .....	68	11	3
Nebraska .....	4	3	
Iowa .....	44	15	2
Minnesota .....	30	5	5
Missouri .....	24	10	1
	591	123	61

Showing 847 organizations represented, and no doubt many comrades served in more than one regiment, which would increase the number.

GEO. H. BOARDMAN, Chairman.

#### APPENDIX NO. II.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 1.

SPOKANE, WASH., July 25, 1900.

I. At the Eighteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, held in the City of Ellensburg, June 12, 13, A. D. 1900, the following department officers were duly elected and installed, viz.:

Commander—B. R. Freeman, General J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane.

Senior Vice-Commander—Thad. S. Smith, Farragut Post, No. 15, Port Townsend.

Junior Vice-Commander—J. S. Smith, David Ford Post, No. 11, Ellensburg.

Medical Director—T. M. Young, Stevens Post, No. 1, Seattle.

Chaplain—Rev. W. H. Mock, Pacific Post, No. 48, Port Angeles.

Council of Administration—W. H. Wiscombe, General J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane; Geo. B. Lane, Geo. H. Thomas, Post No. 5, Olympia; J. M. Comstock, Sedgwick Post, No. 8, Spokane; Richard Bradley, J. F. Miller Post, No. 31, Seattle; J. Hannah, Custer Post, No. 6, Tacoma.

Delegates to the National Encampment—T. M. Young (at large), Stevens Post, No. 1, Seattle; J. M. Comstock, Sedgwick Post, No. 8, Spokane; R. B. Scott, Sedgwick Post, No. 8, Spokane.

Alternates—J. S. Smith, David Ford Post, No. 11, Ellensburg; D. Kincade, ditto; J. Sutton, Stevens Post, No. 1, Seattle; Fred McFarland, Everett Post, No. 73, Sumner.

II. The following staff appointments are hereby announced:

Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General—Henry C. Olney, General J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane.

Inspector—L. W. Roys, Custer Post, No. 6, Tacoma.

Judge Advocate—Leander H. Prather, Sedgwick Post, No. 8, Spokane.

Chief Mustering Officer—Richard Bradley, J. F. Miller Post, No. 31, Seattle.

Chief of Staff—George H. Boardman, Custer Post, No. 6, Tacoma.

Senior Aide-de-Camp—E. Morrison, General J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane.

Department Color Bearer—N. M. Graves, General J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane.

Department Banner Bearer—J. S. Graves, Sedgwick Post, No. 8, Spokane.

III. Headquarters are established in Spokane, Wash. Reports and communications should be addressed to the Assistant Adjutant General, Rooms 1 and 2, Jamieson Block.

IV. Post Commanders are requested to recommend a comrade of their respective Posts for appointment as Aide-de-Camp upon the staff of the Department Commander; another for appointment as Assistant Inspector, and a third for appointment as member of

the Board of Patriotic Instruction. These and other appointments not herein published will be announced in future orders.

V. Post Commanders and Adjutants and Quartermasters are reminded that the semi-annual reports are due June 30th inst. Blanks for the purpose are transmitted herewith. As reports must be tabulated and the Department reports rendered to National headquarters immediately after the close of the half year, promptness in rendering Post returns is particularly requested. The per capita tax is, as usual, twenty cents upon each comrade in good standing. Returns and remittances should be mailed immediately after June 30th inst., to the Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster, Spokane; return addressed envelopes are herewith enclosed for this purpose.

VI. Having been chosen Department Commander of this Department of the Grand Army, and having been duly installed, I accept the position and enter upon the duties of the office cognizant of the responsibilities entailed upon me. I bespeak the cordial cooperation of every comrade, to the end that this administration may be made in every way successful. A duty devolves upon every comrade, as well as upon the officers. None should be content to hold membership in our order without using every opportunity and making every effort to make the Grand Army of the Republic an association worthy of the confidence and respect of all the people. Let us all work earnestly to this end.

BY COMMAND OF

B. R. FREEMAN,  
*Department Commander.*

HENRY C. OLNEY,  
*Asst. Adjt.-Gen'l and A. Q. M.*

OFFICIAL:

*APPENDIX NO. III.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 2.

SPokane, WASH., July 12, 1903.

I. Comrade L. W. Roys, of Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma, having declined the appointment of Inspector of this Department, because of other important duties, Comrade Frederick H. Hurd, of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle, is hereby appointed to said position.

II. In publishing the list of delegates to the 34th National En-

campment the name of F. M. Davis, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle, was omitted by error. In the list of Members of Council of Administration the name of Comrade Hannah should have appeared as William Hannah.

III. Many Posts have not yet sent their semi-annual returns and per capita tax to headquarters. Delinquents are requested to give this matter immediate attention.

IV. The Thirty-fourth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in the City of Chicago during the week beginning August 27th prox. Great preparations are being made by the comrades and citizens, not only of that city, but of the State of Illinois, to welcome the comrades and to make the Encampment one of the most notable and interesting in the history of our grand organization. The railroad fare from points in this Department has not been definitely fixed. The printed matter thus far published intimates that it will be one rate for the round trip; but strenuous efforts are being made by the Department Commander, assisted by local railroad men and the committee on transportation appointed by the General Committee in Chicago, to secure a better rate—if possible one cent a mile—the result of which will be announced in due time. General Orders No. 8 from National Headquarters, transmitted herewith, contains some other information relative to the forthcoming Encampment. Other printed matter will be sent out from these headquarters as fast as received, and when routes and rates from Washington points are fully determined this information will be promptly sent out from these headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF

B. R. FREEMAN,

*Department Commander.*

HENRY C. OLNEY,

*Assistant Adjutant General.*

*APPENDIX NO. IV.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 3.

SPokane, Wash., Aug. 8, 1900.

I. The following information concerning the approaching Thirty-fourth National Encampment is published for the guidance of all concerned:

The Department Commander and staff, the Department Presi-

dent of the W. R. C. and staff, and the Department President of the Ladies of the G. A. R. and staff, and other officers of these organizations, together with many comrades and ladies and their friends, will go to Chicago over the Great Northern and C. & N. W. railroads, taking the through passenger train known as the "Great Northern Flyer," leaving Seattle at 8 p. m., on Tuesday, August 21, and passing through Spokane Wednesday 10:15 a. m., arriving at Chicago on Saturday morning, 25th.

The Department Commander regrets to announce that, notwithstanding the most persistent and energetic efforts of the National and Department officials, the railroad companies operating lines in this State have refused to grant the asked for concession of one fare for the round trip, and have fixed an arbitrary rate, over all lines, from all points in the State to Chicago and return, of \$71.50, on sale August 21st and 22d, time limit sixty days, no stop-overs allowed going east, good over diverse lines for return trip and with stop-overs if desired. These rates and terms are open to the general public.

Sleeping car fares will be as usual. A party is being made up to take a special tourist car, to be run through to Chicago.

All comrades and their friends who contemplate making an Eastern trip are cordially invited to avail themselves of the rates and accommodations as above and to accompany the Department Commander.

No efforts have been made to secure hotel or boarding house accommodations in Chicago for individuals; each person must look out for himself or herself. Accommodations can be had on the European plan at 50 cents to \$2.00 per day; on the American plan \$1.50 to \$6.00. Joseph A. McCartney, 611 The Temple, 184 LaSalle street, is chairman of the hotel committee. The 272 school buildings of Chicago have been generously offered for free quarters for comrades. There will be no camp. R. H. Peters, 611 The Temple, 184 LaSalle street, is chairman of committee on free quarters. Comrades availing themselves of these free quarters will need to provide their own bedding.

The headquarters of this Department in Chicago will be rooms 430-432 Palmer House, where all will be made welcome. Spokane headquarters will be closed during the encampment.

Following is the program for the more important days:

On Sunday, August 26th, patriotic services will be held in the several churches of Chicago.

On Monday, 27th, will occur the parades of the Naval Veterans and the Association of Prisoners of War, reviewed by President McKinley and cabinet and others.

The grand parade will take place on Tuesday, 28th. All comrades from this Department are urged to march under our Department banner.

Tuesday evening, 28th, will be devoted to State reunions. Special arrangements have been made for making these reunions the most successful that have ever been held. A new plan, and one highly commendable, has been adopted, by means of which comrades will be enabled to readily find their old commands. Each State that furnished volunteers has been assigned a hall for its use. Markers will be set up to show where the respective regiments will assemble, and by meeting at their marker comrades can find and greet comrades. The Chicago dailies and the official programme published will give the location of the respective reunion halls. Greetings will occupy, say, thirty minutes and then a State camp fire will fill in the remainder of the evening.

The regular business session of the encampment will begin at 10 o'clock Wednesday, August 29th, and will probably occupy two days.

Numerous steamer and railroad excursions, balls and banquets have been planned for the pleasure of visitors, and without doubt Chicago will generously welcome and entertain the comrades and their friends.

II. Appointment of aides on the staff of the Department Commander, Assistant Inspectors and Members of the Board of Patriotic Instruction are hereby announced, as far as recommendations from Posts have been received, as follows:

<i>Post.</i>	<i>Aides.</i>	<i>Assistant Inspectors.</i>	<i>Board</i> <i>Patriotic Instruction.</i>
			<i>C. D. Spencer, No. 52, Ch'n.</i>
2	J. A. Snodgrass...	W. H. Brewster.....	D. B. Baker.
16	S. B. Shomaker...	J. N. Dicus.....	E. B. Reeder.
23	W. H. Griffith....	John Tyler.....	A. Harrison.
24	H. B. Williams....	A. S. Cole.....	M. C. Cole.
25	M. W. Forrest....	Orlando Gates.....	Chas. Michaels.
42	H. C. Breckenridge	Geo. L. Ramsdell.....	A. J. Rusco.
45	J. J. Garrett.....	M. I. Young.....	J. L. Dutton.
47	D. K. Oliver.....	W. H. Wiscombe.....	Thos. Lavery.
54	L. C. Atkinson....	E. Serfing.....	L. Fleming.
64	Levi Owens.....	Geo. Vath.....	J. S. Gray.
76	S. C. Nicholson...	Geo. R. Seeze.....	H. N. Joy.
95	James Abbott.....		
96	W. H. Brunk.....	J. B. Stevenson.....	J. B. Thompson.
97	P. M. Hutton....	M. Gillespie.....	W. H. H. Cressey.

Rank straps can be obtained from the Assistant Quartermaster General at the usual prices.

BY COMMAND OF

OFFICIAL:

HENRY C. OLNEY,  
*Assistant Adjutant General.*

B. R. FREEMAN,  
*Department Commander.*

#### APPENDIX NO. V.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.  
GENERAL ORDERS, No. 4. SPOKANE, WASH., Nov. 15, 1900.

The Thirty-fourth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held at Chicago, Ill., was one of the most notable in the history of the organization. The Department Commander congratulates the Comrades of this Department upon the good attendance from and the soldierly appearance of the Comrades of this Department. Thirty-two Comrades were in attendance. In the grand parade few Departments were accorded the attention and applause that greeted the banner of Washington and Alaska.

An amendment to the Rules and Regulations was adopted in the Encampment permitting Posts to omit all of the muster-in service except the obligation and the badge presentation address; also pro-

viding that memorizing of the services should not be required and be a pre-requisite in the rating of Posts in the annual inspections.

II. The Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., assisted by other patriotic societies and patriotic people of the United States, have founded, as a living memorial to honor the memory of the men and women of war times, to more generally provide for patriotic instruction, and to cause a greater appreciation of the blessings of American citizenship, a National Memorial University. This institution was, by vote of the National Encampment of the Sons of Veterans, held at Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 12, 1900, located at Mason City, Iowa. The laying of the corner-stone of the first edifice will soon take place. The event will be a notable one in the history of that order. The date will be hereafter announced. It is expected that the railroad companies will give a low rate of fare to all who may desire to attend. The Department Commander would be pleased to see a good representation from this Department. Among other features of the institution will be a fire-proof building specially erected for the Civil War Museum, in which will be stored relics of the Civil War, now insecurely kept in the various Grand Army post-rooms and homes of Comrades throughout the country.

III. Attention of all Posts in this Department is called to Chapter V, Article 5, Section 1, Rules and Regulations, as follows: "The annual inspection of each Post shall be made between September 1 and December 20, by the Assistant Inspector, Department Officer, or other Comrade assigned to such duty, report of same to be made to the Inspector of the Department within thirty days after inspection. In General Order No. 1 Posts were requested to nominate a member of the Post for appointment as A. D. C. upon the staff of the Department Commander, and another for Assistant Inspector. In General Order No. 3 a list of such appointments was announced so far as notice of selections had been received at that time. Further announcement will be found in the last paragraph of this order. Many Posts have not responded to this request, and Assistant Inspectors have not been appointed for such Posts. So far as announced, Assistant Inspectors will make the annual inspection of their respective Posts. Where no appointments have been made, the Post Commander will detail a competent member to make such inspection. Blanks for the report of inspection will be forwarded with this order. The Department Commander urges that a thorough and careful inspection be made of each Post, and that a full and complete report thereof be promptly rendered to the Department

Inspector, Comrade Frederick H. Hurd, 1410 Third avenue, Seattle, Washington.

IV. As the time is so near at hand for the annual election of officers of the Posts and delegates to the Department Encampment, to be held in June, 1901, attention is called at this time to this duty. Chapter V, Article 4, Section 2, Rules and Regulations, reads as follows, viz.: "Any Post in arrears for returns or dues shall be excluded from all representation in the Department Encampment until the same are forwarded." Several Posts in this Department have failed to make their returns and pay the semi-annual dues to June 30, 1900. The Department Commander earnestly hopes that these delinquent reports and per capita taxes will be rendered in time to permit such posts to make a clean report through the Inspector, and be reinstated in good standing in this Department. The basis of representation to the Department Encampment is one delegate and one alternate for each twenty members, or a major fraction thereof, in good standing. But each Post in good standing is entitled to at least one delegate and one alternate. The annual elections of Post officers will be held at the first stated meeting in December. Elections are by ballot, unless ballot be dispensed with by unanimous consent. Officers so elected should be installed into their respective offices at the first stated meeting in January following, provided that the annual inspection has been made and report thereof forwarded to the Department Inspector; if such inspection has not been made and report forwarded, installation must be deferred until this duty shall have been discharged. Installation of officers may be conducted publicly, but when so conducted no part of the opening or closing services or signs of recognition shall be used. Blanks will be forwarded herewith for report of election and installation of officers. Past Commanders are enjoined to see to it that these reports are promptly forwarded to these headquarters.

V. Blanks will also be forwarded with this Order for the annual reports of the Post Surgeons and Post Chaplains. These officers are enjoined to make careful and complete reports, and forward the same promptly—Surgeon's reports to the Medical Director, Comrade T. M. Young, Seattle, Washington; Chaplain's reports to the Department Chaplain, Comrade W. H. Mock, Port Angeles, Washington. This duty should not be neglected, for the Department Officers cannot compile their records and make their returns unless full and complete reports are received from the several Posts of the Department.

VI. Attention is called at this time to the semi-annual returns

to be made by Posts to the A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. of the Department, at the close of the year. Blanks for these reports will be sent in due time. The Post officers are urgently requested to make these reports promptly after December 31, and forward them without unnecessary delay, with the per capita tax shown thereby to be due. It is hoped that the Posts that have sometimes been dilatory in this duty will turn over a new leaf and hereafter make these reports promptly, as the semi-annual returns of the Department must be consolidated, and such consolidated report made to the National Headquarters within twenty days after the beginning of the new year.

VII. The Department Commander takes pleasure in announcing the organization of J. A. Mower Post No. 101, at Bossburg, Washington, and General John M. Palmer Post No. 102, at Clarkston, Washington. He bespeaks for these Posts and our new Comrades a warm fraternal welcome.

VIII. As the winter is now beginning, and the evenings are growing longer, the Department Commander trusts that renewed interest will be shown in the Post meetings, and that our grand organization will increase in membership and efficiency. Much depends upon all the officers of the Posts, but more upon the Post Commanders. An efficient Post Commander, with progressive ideas, capable of suggesting amusement features, and with talent for making the Post meetings interesting (which the ordinary routine business will not effect), can spur the Comrades to increased interest, induce the members to turn out at the meetings, and attract new members to the Posts. The Commander trusts that the Order will prosper this winter, and that the next semi-annual returns will show a gratifying increase in membership.

IX. Now that the election is over, we can turn our attention to the subject of the Court of Appeals, proposed by the National Committee on Pensions. It is hoped and expected by the establishment of this court to remove from the pension roll any reproach or appearance of personal or political favoritism, and place it and every man upon it upon the high and unassailable ground of judicial decision. This will be done by having a tribunal of the dignity of a United States court, that will interpret the pension laws and lay down for the guidance of the Commissioner of Pensions certain fixed rules which he will be compelled to follow; a court that will decide that laws are passed to be carried out; that any Commissioner who invents obstructions and discovers purposes in the law that were never intended, exceeds his authority; that the Commissioner

is appointed to carry out the law, and not to hunt up pretexts for thwarting its operation. It is recommended that Posts adopt suitable resolutions favoring the organization of a Court of Appeals, requesting the Pension Committee to prepare and introduce in Congress such a measure, and requesting our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their best endeavors to secure its enactment into a law; such resolutions to be sent to these headquarters as soon as possible, in order that manifold copies be sent to our friends.

X. The following additional appointments are hereby announced:

<i>Posts.</i>	<i>A. D. C.</i>	<i>Asst. Inspectors.</i>	<i>Board of Patriotic Instruction.</i>
No. 1	John Taylor.	E. C. Kilbourn.	.....
No. 11	I. N. Moore.	Amos Smith.	Matthew Bird.
No. 44	.....	M. D. Wolf.	.....
No. 48	W.C.Ellsworth.	H. W. Doty.	.....
No. 51	L. Y. Gilbert.	A. H. Wamock.	W. H. White.
No. 99	Chas. Thare.	C. S. Anderson.	Robert Bruce.

By order of

B. R. FREEMAN,

*Department Commander.*

OFFICIAL:

HENRY C. OLNEY,

*A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.*

#### APPENDIX NO. VI.

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.

CIRCULAR NO. I.

SPOKANE, WASH., May 1, 1901.

Memorial Day, originally established in General Orders issued by our Grand and patriotic Comrade, General John A. Logan, and later by act of Congress made a national holiday, is once more near at hand. On each recurring anniversary, as we assemble to do honor to the memory of those who have passed from us, how our thoughts journey backward to the day when they, in the strength and pride of their young manhood, stood shoulder to shoulder with us in the defense of the old flag and offered their lives for the preservation and integrity of the Union.

Memorial Day belongs to all the people, and in nearly every

community is observed as such—particularly by those who have been bereaved of near and dear ones. It is therefore hoped that the tendency of the thoughtless to make it a holiday for sports and excursions for pleasure will be discouraged by all patriotic people, and the day given up to sacred memories.

In accordance with our usual custom, all Posts in this Department will observe the day with appropriate services. It is recommended that Posts assemble in their Post rooms, or other public hall, at such hour as may be fixed by their Commanders, and with patriotic utterances and music commemorate the services of our dead heroes and keep alive the fires of patriotism in the hearts of the people.

Each year our ranks grow thinner and the line of little mounds in our cemeteries grows longer. Each Memorial Day more flags and flowers are required to decorate, and fewer hands to respond. Realizing this fact, let all soldiers of the War of the Rebellion and of the Spanish-American War, the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., Ladies' Aid Societies, Sons of Veterans, the National Guard and all patriotic citizens and the school children be invited to join us in these services. By so doing we teach lessons of patriotism and show to the world that he who dies for his country and his country's flag has not died in vain.

In compliance with the action of the Thirtieth National Encampment, Post Commanders and those in charge of the Memorial exercises will direct the reading of President Lincoln's Gettysburg address, which is printed at the close of this order.

As flowers are emblematic of the resurrection in the life to come, how appropriate that we, the survivors of that great conflict, together with our patriotic auxiliary organization, the Woman's Relief Corps, and all other liberty loving citizens, should plant the flag and strew flowers on the graves wherein lie all that is mortal of our loved ones. Every green mound that covers the remains of a Union soldier or sailor should receive its tribute of love and respect. Do not hurry the services at the cemetery. The day can not be better employed than in communing with our dead and in solemn reflection.

Sunday preceding Memorial Day, viz.: May 26th, is known as Memorial Sunday. It is a practice to attend divine service on that day, and all Posts and comrades are urged to observe this pious custom.

In many cities and school districts the Grand Army of the

Republic is invited by school boards to visit the public schools or to detail a comrade or comrades for that purpose, and to assist in holding suitable patriotic exercises. The custom cannot be too highly commended, and the Department Commander urges its general observance.

Immediately after Memorial Day Post Chaplains will make full report of the proceedings had by their respective Posts, and forward the same to the Department Chaplain, Rev. W. H. Mock, Port Angeles, Wash. Blanks for this purpose will be sent Post Commanders, who are enjoined to see that this duty is performed.

Official:

By command of

B. R. FREEMAN,  
*Department Commander.*

HENRY C. OLNEY,  
*Asst. Adjt. Gen'l.*

PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S ADDRESS AT GETTYSBURG,  
NOVEMBER 19, 1863.

Four score and seven years ago, our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new Nation, conceived in Liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men were created equal. Now we are engaged in a great Civil War, testing whether that Nation or any other Nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of the war. We are met to dedicate a portion of it as the final resting place of those who have given their lives that the Nation might live.

It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this, but, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our power to add or detract. The world will very little note, nor long remember what we say here; but it can never forget what they did here.

It is for us, the living, rather to be dedicated here to the unfinished work, that they have thus far so nobly carried on. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us; that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they here gave the last full measure of devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that the Nation shall, under God, have a new birth

of Freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

*APPENDIX NO. VII.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.  
SPOKANE, WASH., May 25, 1901.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 5.

I. The Annual Encampments of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, the Women's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, the Ladies of the G. A. R., and the Sons of Veterans will be held in the city of Tacoma on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 25, 26 and 27, 1901.

Each Post of the Grand Army of the Republic is entitled to representation by its Post Commanders, Past Post Commanders and one representative for every twenty members and one for each major fraction of twenty, as shown by returns of December 31, 1900.

II. Department headquarters in Spokane will be closed Saturday, June 22, and will be established at Hotel Tacoma, Monday morning, June 24. Posts desiring supplies prior to the meeting of the Encampment should make requisition for them not later than June 20.

III. The Department Commander, with such members of his personal staff, representatives of Posts in eastern Washington and such other comrades, ladies of the W. R. C. and others, who may desire to accompany him will leave Spokane for Tacoma at midnight Sunday, June 23, on the Northern Pacific.

The Department Commander takes pleasure in announcing that the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Comrade Leo Rassieur and staff, Mrs. Mary L. Carr, National President of the Woman's Relief Corps and her staff and others will accompany him to Tacoma and be present at the Department Encampment.

Special cars will be provided for the party.

IV. Railroad rates to Tacoma from all points in the State, over all railroads, will be one fare and a third for the round trip, on the certificate plan. Purchasers will pay full fare going, *taking*

*receipt therefor*, which receipt when endorsed at Tacoma by the proper officers of the several Department organizations, will entitle the holder to purchase return ticket at one-third of one fare, good two days after the close of the encampments. Tickets, going, will be on sale at all railroad offices on Saturday morning, June 22. The fare from Spokane to Tacoma is \$10.40, return fare \$3.50. Persons desiring sleeping car accommodations should secure same in advance from the local agents.

Steamboat rates between points on the Sound and Tacoma will be arranged by Comrade Boardman, Chief of Staff, who will give proper notice of same.

V. Ample hotel and other accommodations have been prepared. The hotel rates during Encampment will be:

The Tacoma:—per day \$3.

The Donnelly, corner Ninth and Pacific Aves.:—Outside room, one person, \$1; two persons, \$1.50; inside room, one person, 50c; two persons, \$1.

The Central, Twelfth and Pacific Ave.:—Inside rooms, one person, 25c and 50c; two persons, 50c; outside rooms, one or two persons, 50c to \$1.50; cots, 25c.

The Brooklyn, Thirteenth and Pacific Aves.:—Inside rooms, one or two persons, 50c; one room with three beds, 75c; double room with two beds, \$1; outside room one or two beds, \$1; put in cot for third, same.

Merchants, Commerce and Thirteenth St.:—Rooms 50c, two persons 75c.

Tourists, Tenth and Pacific Aves.:—Inside room, one person, 50c; two persons, 75c; outside room, one or two persons, 75c.

These hotels are close to Encampment Halls. Rooms in private houses and lodging houses can be had at from 25c to 50c per day.

VI. The council of administration will meet at Hotel Tacoma at 2 o'clock p. m. on Monday, June 24, to audit the accounts of the A. Q. M. G. and to transact any other business that may properly come before it. It is expected that all Department officers will have their several annual reports ready for presentation at that time.

VII. Comrade D. N. Kilbourne, of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle, is hereby detailed as Officer of the Day, and Comrade S. G.

Pepper, of Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma, as Officer of the Guard during the sessions of the Encampment.

The Commanders of Custer Post No. 6 and Phil Sheridan Post No. 44, Tacoma and Winslow Post No. 87, South Tacoma, are requested to detail four comrades from each of their respective Posts to act as sentinels during the sessions of the Encampment, they to be in full uniform and side arms. Commanders or Adjutants of the Posts named will furnish the Officer of the Guard with the names of the comrades so detailed and he will make the proper assignments therefrom for duty on the several days and issue the necessary instructions.

VIII. Comrades Henry C. Olney, Asst. Adjt. General, George H. Boardman, Chief of Staff, and S. T. Armstrong, of Phil Sheridan Post No. 44, are hereby appointed Committee on Credentials. The committee will meet at Department headquarters at 4:00 o'clock p. m. on Monday, June 24. Members of the Encampment will report to the committee upon their arrival and receive their Encampment badges. A visitors' register will also be kept at the same place and comrades are requested to register therein.

IX. The Encampment will convene at 10 o'clock a. m. on Tuesday, June 25, in the Tacoma Theater.

X. The program of entertainment, prepared by the executive committee of the Posts and citizens of Tacoma, will be mailed to Posts and Department officers direct from Tacoma in ample time. The Department Commander assures comrades that it embraces many attractive features, and that the comrades and citizens of Tacoma will spare no pains to make this feature of the Encampment one long to be remembered. A royal welcome awaits you, comrades. Let this be one of the most memorable reunions of comrades ever held in this Department.

XI. The Thirty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, during the week beginning September 9, prox.

XII. This Department's quota of the printed proceedings of the Thirty-fourth National Encampment, held in Chicago, will be distributed at the forthcoming Department Encampment.

XIV. Since last General Order was issued from Department headquarters, two additional Posts have been organized, viz.:—Harrison Post No. 104, Chelan, March 30; Daniel McCook Post

No. 105, Wenatchee, April 14. The Department Commander bespeaks for these new Posts and the comrades composing them a warm fraternal welcome.

XV. The Department Commander takes pleasure in announcing that since the Roster was prepared the following additional appointments on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief have been announced, viz.: Jacob Smith, Post No. 14, Sprague, Aide-de-Camp; B. C. Bedell, Post No. 4, Walla Walla, Assistant Inspector; Lyman Banks, Post No. 31, Seattle, Special Aide in charge of Military Instruction and Patriotic Education in Schools.

XVI. Congress at its last session authorized the President to detail retired officers of the army and navy to act as instructors in military tactics and drills in schools and colleges, when applied for by the proper authorities. The act is printed in full on the last page of this order.

XVII. With this order is sent the blank forms for making the several reports due from Posts June 30. The adjutants' and quartermasters' reports should be made out and forwarded immediately after the last meeting in June, to the Assistant Adjutant General (to be announced at the approaching Encampment). Care in making these reports and promptitude in forwarding will save the incoming administration much labor and avoid the necessity of reporting any Post delinquent. The other reports should also be promptly forwarded to the proper officers.

XVIII. The 125th anniversary of the adoption by Congress of the glorious flag of the United States falls on the 14th of June. The birthday of our country's flag should be appropriately honored. It is suggested that Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, the W. R. C., the public schools and patriotic citizens generally in every town and city hold patriotic exercises of some nature commemorative of the day. The attention of the members of the Committee on Patriotic Instruction is particularly called to this matter and they are urged to provide for such services. All patriotic people, particularly comrades, should display "Old Glory" upon their houses and places of business.

By order of

B. R. FREEMAN,  
*Department Commander.*

Official:

HENRY C. OLNEY,  
*Assistant Adjutant General and A. Q. M. G.*

MILITARY INSTRUCTION AND PATRIOTIC EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS.

AN ACT

To amend section twelve hundred and twenty-five of Revised Statutes so as to provide for detail of retired officers of the Army and Navy to assist in military instruction in schools.

Whereas, the national defense must depend upon the volunteer service of the people of the states; and

Whereas, those schools which shall adopt a system of military instruction are entitled to the assistance of the government in order to secure to the United States such a knowledge of military affairs among the youth of the country as will render them efficient as volunteers if called upon for the national defense; Therefore,

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section twelve hundred and twenty-five of the Revised Statutes, concerning the detail of officers of the Army and Navy to educational institutions be and the same is hereby amended so as to permit the President to detail under the provisions of that Act, and in addition to the detail of the officers of the Army and Navy now authorized to be detailed under the existing provisions of said Act, such retired officers of the Army and Navy of the United States as in his judgment may be required for that purpose, to act as instructors in military drill and tactics in schools in the United States, where such institution shall have been authorized by the educational authorities thereof, and where the services of such instructors shall have been applied for by said authorities.

Sec. 2. That no detail shall be made under this Act to any school unless it shall pay the cost of commutation of quarters of the retired officers detailed thereto and the extra-duty pay to which the latter may be entitled by law to receive for the performance of special duty; *Provided,* That no detail shall be made under the provisions of this Act unless the officers to be detailed are willing to accept such position *without compensation from the government other than their retired pay.*

Sec. 3. That the Secretary of War is authorized to issue at his discretion, and under proper regulations to be prescribed by him, out of ordnance and ordnance stores belonging to the government, and which can be spared for that purpose, upon the approval of the

governors of respective states, such number of the same as may be required for military instruction and practice by such school, and the Secretary shall require a bond in each case, for double the value of the property, for the care and safe-keeping thereof and for the return of the same when required.

Sec. 4. That this Act shall take effect immediately.

Signed by                      WILLIAM MCKINLEY,  
*President of the United States.*

February 26, 1901.

*APPENDIX NO. VII.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.  
SEATTLE, WASH., June 29, 1901.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. I.

I. At the Nineteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, held in the city of Tacoma, June 25-27, A. D. 1901, having been elected and installed Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of Washington and Alaska, I hereby assume command.

II. The following appointments are hereby announced: A. Melvin Cole, Post No. 1, A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G., Seattle, Washington.

III. Headquarters are established at G. A. R. Hall, Collins Building, Seattle, Washington, where all official communications will be addressed to A. Melvin Cole, A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.

IV. All requisitions for supplies must be accompanied by Express or Postal Money Order, drawn payable to the order of A. Melvin Cole, A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. and addressed as above.

V. Post Adjutants and Quartermasters are reminded that the semi-annual reports are due June 30th inst. Blanks for this purpose have already been forwarded. As Post reports must be tabulated, and the Department per capita tax and reports rendered to National Headquarters, from these Headquarters, immediately after

the close of the half year, ending June 30th, 1901, promptness in rendering Post returns is earnestly requested.

The per capita tax is as usual forty cents upon each Comrade in good standing for one year or twenty cents for half year.

Appointments of additional Staff Officers will be announced in future orders.

By command of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,  
*Department Commander.*

Official:

A. MELVIN COLE,  
*A. A. G. and A. Q. M.-G.*

HEADQUARTERS DEPT. WASHINGTON AND ALASKA, G. A. R.  
SEATTLE, WASH., July 16, 1901.

GENERAL ORDERS No. 2

I. At the Nineteenth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, held at Tacoma on the 25-27th of June, 1901, the following Comrades were elected and duly installed as follows, to-wit:

*Senior Vice-Commander*

S. T. ARMSTRONG..... No. 44, Tacoma, Wash.

*Junior Vice-Commander*

J. L. DUTTON .....No. 45, Waterville, Wash.

*Medical Director*

J. L. SMITH..... No. 8, Spokane, Wash.

*Chaplain*

W. H. MOCK.....No. 48, Port Angeles, Wash.

II. *Council of Administration*

W. H. Wiscombe .....No. 47, Spokane, Wash.

J. M. Comstock.....No. 8, Spokane, Wash.

B. C. Bedell.....No. 4, Walla Walla, Wash.

D. L. Fordney .....

.....No. 95, P. O. Address 1417 25th Ave., Seattle

Abraham Garl .....No. 97, Burlington, Wash.

III. *Delegates to National Encampment*

Joseph Dickerson (at large).....No. 31, Seattle, Wash.  
 J. H. Coffman .....No. 17, Puyallup, Wash.  
 O. W. Lewis.....No. 8, Spokane, Wash.  
 Gen. T. M. Anderson .....  
 .....No. 2, address Soldiers' Home, Kas.

*Alternates*

R. H. Ball.....No. 18, La Conner, Wash.  
 Robt. McMann.....No. 1, Seattle, Wash.  
 C. B. Dunning.....No. 8, Spokane, Wash.  
 John A. Young.....No. 2, Vancouver, Wash.

IV. The following additional appointments on the staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced. The Comrades so appointed will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

*Inspector General*

Henry C. Olney.....No. 47, Spokane, Wash.

*Judge Advocate General*

Thad Hustan .....No. 6, Tacoma, Wash.

*Chief Mustering Officer*

Geo. B. Lane.....No. 5, Olympia, Wash.

*Chief of Staff*

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

*Senior Aide-de-Camp*

John T. Sherfey.....No. 89, Everett, Wash.

*Department Color Bearer.*

D. R. Smith.....No. 56, Ballard, Wash.

*Department Banner Bearer*

Frank S. Berry .....No. 103, Seattle, Wash.

V. Post Commanders are hereby directed to transmit to this office the name of some active and efficient Comrade from his Post for appointment as Aid-de-Camp on Department Commander Staff.

VI. Comrades of the Department and Delegates to the National Encampment are reminded that the 35th National Encamp-

ment will be held at Cleveland, Ohio, September 9-14th, 1901. The Department Commander will expect each Delegate that was elected at our last Encampment to be present in time for the opening of the Encampment. Also, all Comrades that can possibly attend; we would be pleased to meet them there.

VII. Comrades are earnestly invited to renew in recruiting our thinning ranks from among those eligible to membership who never yet have joined any Post.

By command of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,  
*Department Commander.*

Official:

A. MELVIN COLE,  
*A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.*

