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Department Commander, 1901-1902.

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WASHINGTON AND ALASKA  
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

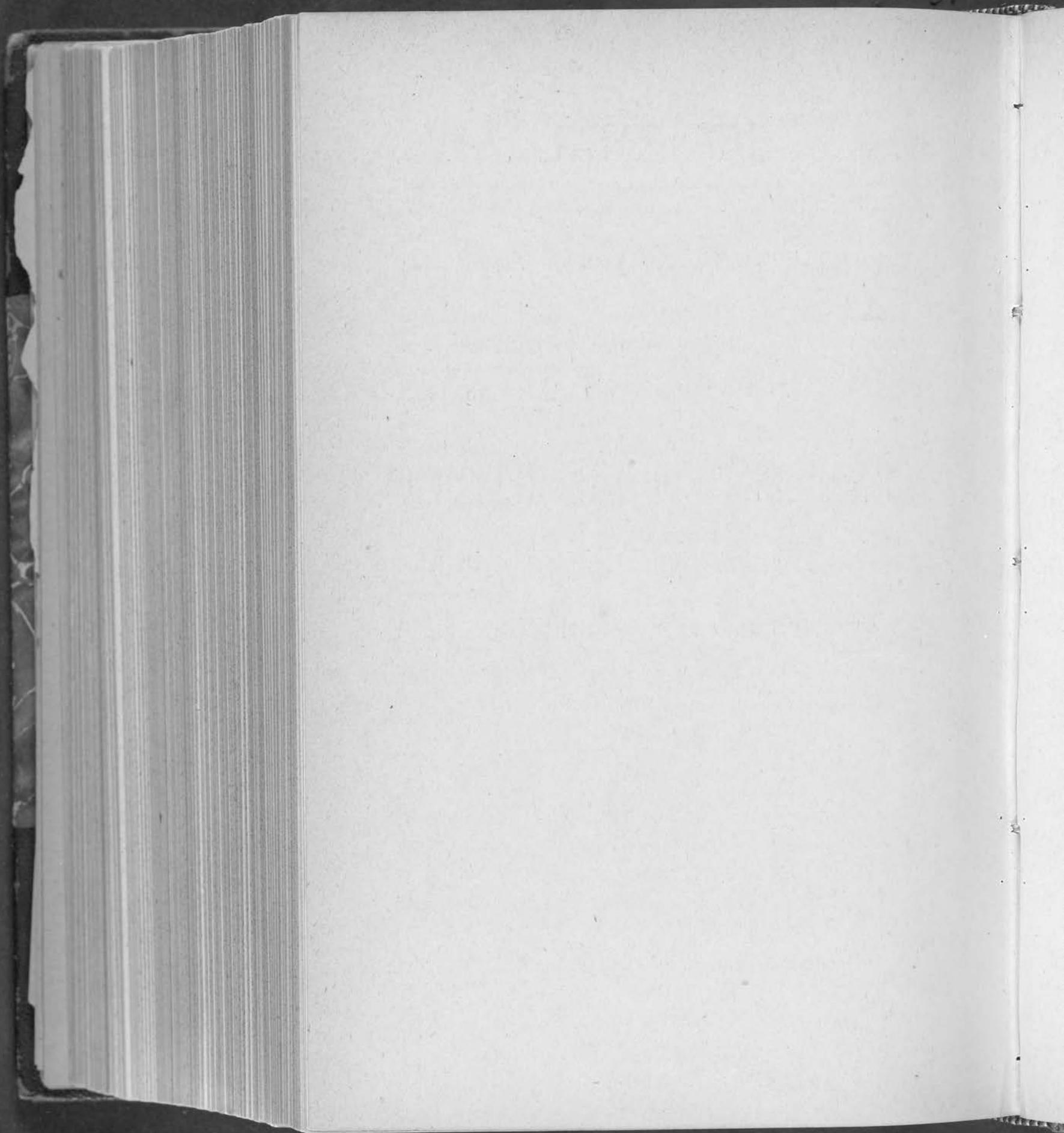
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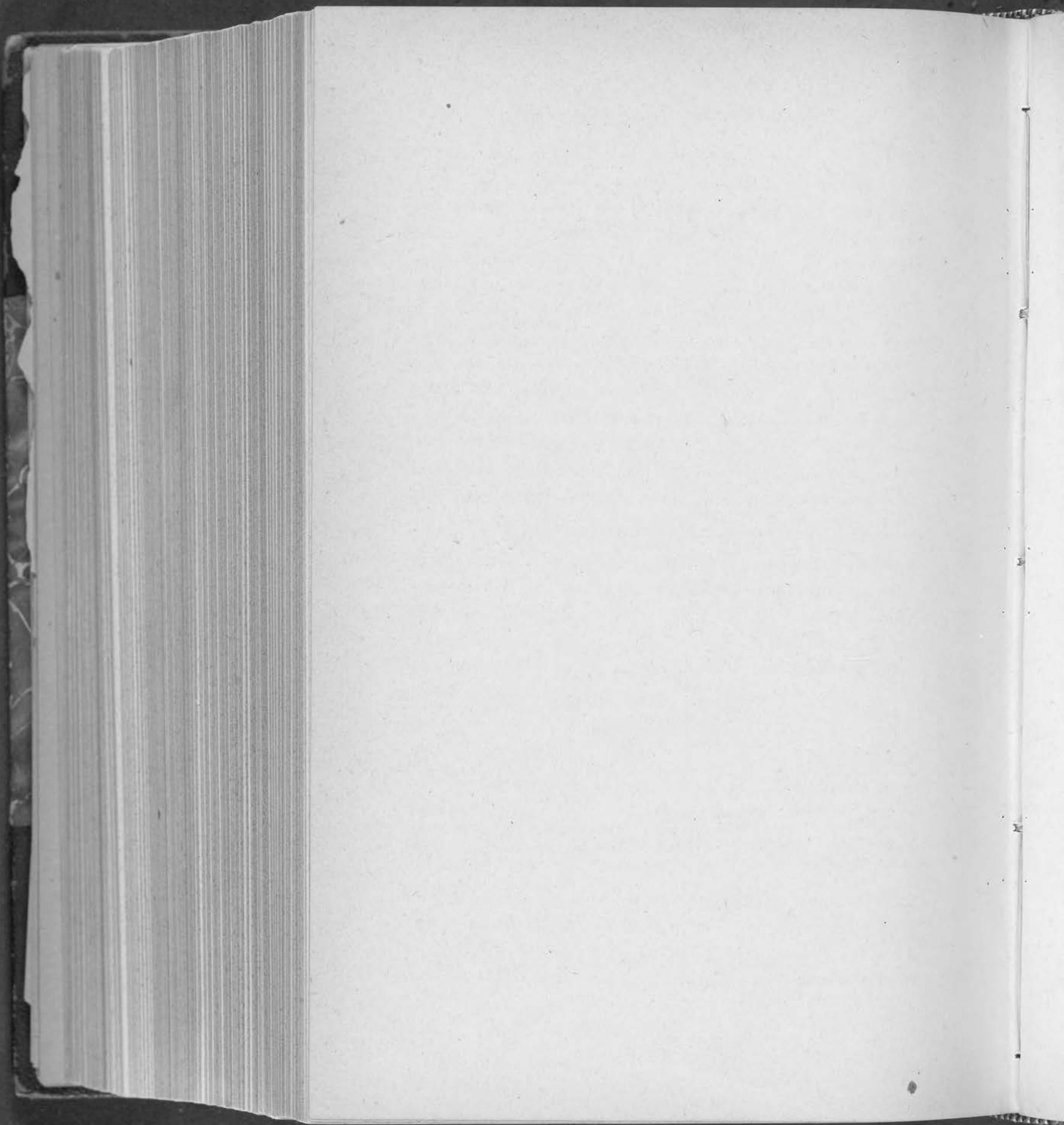
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L. H. PRATHER.....	Spokane, Wash.
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JOHN A. GREEN.....	Chelan, Wash.



# JOURNAL

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The Twentieth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, assembled in Everett Opera House, in the city of Everett, Washington, at 10 o'clock a. m., June 24th, 1902, and was called to order by Department Commander Harry A. Bigelow.

The Encampment was opened in due form, prayer being offered by Department Chaplain W. H. Mock.

Roll of Officers was called and showed the following present:

Department Commander, H. A. Bigelow, of No. 1, Seattle.

Junior Vice Commander, J. L. Dutton, of No. 45, Waterville.

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

A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G., A. Melvin Cole, of No. 1, Seattle.

Department Inspector, Henry C. Olney, of No. 47, Spokane.

Senior A. D. C., John T. Sherfey, of No. 89, Everett.

## COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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

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

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

Abraham Garl, of No. 97, Burlington.

John E. Risedorph, of No. 1, Seattle.

## DELEGATES TO NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

Joseph Dickerson, No. 31, Seattle.

## ALTERNATES.

R. H. Ball, of No. 18, La Conner.

Robt. McMann, No. 1, Seattle.

C. B. Dunning, of No. 8, Spokane.

The Department Commander then announced the following appointments: Comrade E. C. Kilbourne, of Stevens Post, No. 1, of Seattle, as Officer of the Day; Comrade W. Rice, of John Buford Post, No. 89, of Everett, as Officer of the Guard, and Comrade William Markham, of Sedgwick Post, No. 8, of Spokane, as Acting Assistant Adjutant General, all to act in their respective positions during the Encampment.

The following committees were then appointed by the Department Commander:

## FIRST DAY.

Opening.

Appointment of Committees.

Rules and Order of Business—Geo. W. Tibbetts, Stevens Post No. 1; Geo. H. Boardman, Custer Post No. 6; W. H. Wiscombe, Gen. J. L. Reno Post No. 47; J. T. Sherfey, John Buford Post No. 89; J. B. Ball, Larrabee Post No. 18.

Resolutions—Chas. R. Conner, Sedgwick Post No. 8; J. E. Rise-dorph, Stevens Post No. 1; F. M. Davis, J. F. Miller Post No. 31; B. C. Bedell, Lincoln Post No. 4; C. D. Spencer, T. P. Price Post No. 82.

Visiting Relief Corps—B. R. Freeman, Reno Post No. 47; F. H. Hurd, Stevens Post No. 1; A. P. Waterhouse, Wm. Hall Post No. 107; S. G. Cosgrove, McDowell Post No. 22; Hon. Thad C. Huston, Custer Post No. 6.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

Reports Department Officers.

Nomination of Places for Twenty-First Encampment.

Selection of Place.

Unfinished Business.

Reports of Committees on Officers' Reports.

We recommend all speakers be limited to five minutes.

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

## 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.

A. MELVIN COLE, Asst. Adjt. Gen.,

B. R. FREEMAN,

GEO. W. TIBBETTS,

Committee.

ROLL OF MEMBERS OF THE  
 TWENTIETH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT GRAND ARMY  
 OF THE REPUBLIC.

(Members present marked thus \*)

COMMANDER,

\*Harry A. Bigelow.....Seattle

SENIOR VICE COMMANDER,

S. T. Armstrong.....Tacoma

JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER,

\*J. L. Dutton.....Waterville

MEDICAL DIRECTOR,

J. L. Smith.....Spokane

CHAPLAIN,

\*Rev. W. H. Mock.....Port Angeles

ASST. ADJUTANT GENERAL AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL,

\*A. Melvin Cole.....Seattle

INSPECTOR,

\*Henry C. Olney.....Spokane

JUDGE ADVOCATE,

\*Thad C. Huston.....Tacoma

CHIEF MUSTERING OFFICER,

\*George B. Lane.....Seattle

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

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\*J. M. Comstock, Post No. 8.....Spokane

\*B. C. Bedell, Post No. 4.....Walla Walla

\*D. L. Fordney, Post No. 95.....New Whatcom

\*Abraham Garl, Post No. 97.....Burlington

\*John E. Risedorph, Post No. 1.....Seattle

PAST JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,

\*S. G. Cosgrove.....Pomeroy

## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

**George D. Hill	Seattle
**H. A. Morrow	Vancouver
A. M. Brookes	Seattle
**C. M. Holton	North Yakima
**A. P. Curry	Spokane
**J. W. Sprague	Tacoma
*S. G. Cosgrove	Pomeroy
*M. M. Holmes	Adelaide
D. G. Lovell	Tacoma
J. S. Brown	South Bend
**Joseph H. Sinclair	Ballard
**J. N. Scott	Port Townsend
Norman Buck	Spokane
C. T. Patterson	South Tacoma
John F. McLean	Walla Walla
*George W. Tibbetts	Issaquah
*J. W. Langley	Seattle
*B. R. Freeman	Spokane
**Deceased.	

## REPRESENTATIVES FROM POSTS.

## STEVENS POST NO. 1, SEATTLE.

Commander, J. N. Wallingford.

\*Daniel Warner.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

*G. W. Tibbetts.	*J. E. Risedorph.
W. H. White.	W. F. Taylor.
*H. A. Bigelow.	*T. M. Young.
*James Alexander.	*F. H. Hurd.
W. E. Wilson.	*G. W. Olney.
*L. A. Treen.	*A. H. Carr.
B. B. Bronson.	*A. Melvin Cole.
J. W. Range.	*S. W. Clark.
A. P. Spaulding.	R. P. Pickerell.
O. B. Johnson.	J. M. Wiestling.
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 \*M. V. Mills.  
 \*W. G. Hubbard.  
 \*R. McMann.  
 \*Garrett Ramaker.  
 \*William Fox.  
 \*W. H. Shaffer.  
 \*J. G. Nolop.  
 \*H. E. Edson.  
 \*Chris D'Oyley.  
 \*R. G. McKay.  
 \*W. C. Hawthorn.  
 \*A. Barney.

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 Watson Allen.  
 J. McCoy.  
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 Robert Stewart.  
 James Kirk.  
 H. S. Winchell.  
 W. T. Downs.  
 W. B. Haines.

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 Peter Lemley.  
 \*D. B. Kimball.

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S. W. White.  
R. P. Reynolds.

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Frank Coyle.

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Commander, Phil Skillman.

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A. B. Cowles.  
J. S. Dobbins.  
Henry R. Hill.

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R. G. O'Brien.  
Geo. B. Lane.  
Geo. Savidge.  
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Milton Giles.

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Chas. S. Wilcox.

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\*Commander, David Dowden.

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D. G. Lovell.  
Wm. Peel.  
Thos. Carroll.  
Fred T. Taylor.  
W. H. Jennings.  
George Thornton.  
\*Almon Woodworth.  
Max Metschan.  
\*L. B. McCoy.  
J. W. Fries.

C. A. Danford.  
Phineas Foster.  
L. B. Strayer.  
Thomas Mattison.  
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wm. Lind.  
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J. E. Noel.  
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\*Geo. H. Boardman.  
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\*Jasper Howe.  
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\*Chas. H. Wilson.  
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L. G. Delano.  
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George Kuhn.  
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Homer Crocker.

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Joseph Lampitt,  
Justice Brooks,  
T. B. Mitchell,

\*C. Wilcox.  
J. H. Duncan,  
E. P. McClure.

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James Smith.

SEDGWICK POST NO. 8, SPOKANE.

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PAST COMMANDERS.

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Fred Saling,  
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W. H. Maloney,  
J. R. Grover.

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T. H. Stenstra,  
John Hogenson,  
H. Hosford,

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\*Commander, L. C. Lovell.

PAST COMMANDERS.

\*Wm. Badger,  
B. B. Coombs,  
D. L. Druce,  
\*J. G. Boyle,

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\*N. H. Yeates.  
C. V. Bissell.

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G. B. Dunham,  
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ALTERNATE.

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MORTON POST NO. 10, SNOHOMISH.

\*Commander, Eli D. Hewett.

PAST COMMANDERS.

\*H. G. York,  
\*D. F. Sexton,  
\*H. J. Andrews,  
\*J. R. King,  
Burton Smith,

M. W. Packard,  
\*Wm. H. Eddy,  
\*Ira B. Hewett,  
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REPRESENTATIVES.

\*E. D. Dean,  
\*Wm. P. Stewart.

ALTERNATES.

Joseph Morton,  
Isaac Morris.

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\*Commander, David Kinkade.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

Henry Helves,  
George Davis,H. W. Westfield,  
W. H. Randolph.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

\*L. McNeil,  
\*S. Maxy.ALTERNATE.  
Thomas Barton.

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## PAST COMMANDERS.

Joseph Smith,  
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Levi Somers.

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Commander, T. M. Bryan.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

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John Carothers,J. W. Hall,  
E. L. Wade.

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Frank Smith.ALTERNATE.  
W. H. H. Bebee.

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William Ludlow.ALTERNATES.  
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\*Commander, J. S. Smith.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

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E. M. Giles,  
William Westcott,A. C. Case,  
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A. G. Madden.

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

\*Commander, N. Dennis.

PAST COMMANDERS.

C. C. Field,  
J. W. Soles,  
C. W. Stewart,  
A. Clark,  
James McKim,

C. A. Green,  
Robert Lyman,  
G. W. Beach,  
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ALTERNATE.

William E. Polen.

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PAST COMMANDERS.

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\*Isaac Chilberg,

\*Charles Moore,  
\*James Callahan.

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L. N. Boyd,

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L. A. Dubois.

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Commander, H. C. Thompson.

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S. K. Hall,  
Charles Lakin,  
\*James Palmer,

H. E. Farnsworth,  
John Harlin,  
Charles H. Bingham

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John Mitchell.

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S. G. Grubb,	A. Briner,
L. Buchanan,	T. J. Scribner.

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H. B. Williams,	A. A. Rogers,
J. P. Lewis,	J. C. Musgrave,
J. J. Edens,	W. N. Penfield.
J. C. Hooker,	

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\*A. B. Loop.

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George Dawson.

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Commander, Robert Bruce.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

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A. M. Brookes,	*Richard Osborn,
J. N. Alexander,	George Kinnear,
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*Lyman E. Knapp,	*Amos Brown,
James H. Wilson,	*L. T. Dodge,
George Hooker,	Thomas M. Fisher.
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 \*F. M. Davis,  
 \*B. C. Levy,  
 C. Newell,  
 \*M. Kile,  
 H. Stinner,  
 \*J. O. Rockwell,  
 Jacob Miller,  
 \*C. W. Foy,  
 D. H. Winn,

ALTERNATES.

D. H. Legate,  
 C. G. Austin,  
 Fred Urbail,  
 R. S. Gardner,  
 A. McLean,  
 G. D. Miller,  
 H. Flauhaut,  
 James Burcham,  
 W. W. Perrigo,  
 Eli Clark,  
 H. A. Noble.

REYNOLDS POST NO. 32, BLAINE.

Commander, A. L. Smith.

PAST COMMANDERS.

J. N. Lindsey,  
 E. Shafner,  
 S. P. Hughes,

A. J. Loomis,  
 J. W. Wiffler.

REPRESENTATIVE.

J. T. Spohn.

ALTERNATE.

C. C. Paul.

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Commander, John Stwan.

PAST COMMANDER.

D. A. Anderson.

REPRESENTATIVE.

D. A. Anderson.

ALTERNATE.

Joseph Hawley.

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

Commander, John Moore.

PAST COMMANDERS.

\*Jasper Gates,  
 C. D. Kimball,  
 \*D. F. Decatur,  
 \*Wiltse Brown,  
 \*J. S. Bowen,

\*W. H. Miles,  
 \*R. W. Williams,  
 \*J. C. Washburn,  
 J. W. Newman,  
 B. R. Summer.

REPRESENTATIVES.

\*Thomas Gates,  
 \*B. Huffey.

ALTERNATES.

J. W. Wilson,  
 Frank Bart.

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Commander, Charles Moore.

PAST COMMANDER.

Silas Gibson.

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Commander, P. Gilmore.

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D. T. Welsh,  
J. W. Green,  
J. W. King,  
Frank Huber,D. S. Trescott,  
M. H. Tate,  
W. H. Smith.

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## ALTERNATE.

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Commander, J. W. Foley.

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J. W. James.

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Benjamin King.

## ALTERNATE.

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J. B. Smith,  
Charles M. Baskett,John Fisher,  
\*C. Denman.

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L. L. Wing.

## ALTERNATES.

Robert Williams,  
S. D. Smith.

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Commander, J. S. Wright.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

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Charles Vinup,W. W. Palmer,  
G. L. Ramsdell.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

A. Bame.

## ALTERNATE.

Hugh Brickenridge.

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M. D. Wolff,  
William Wright,R. A. Wakefield,  
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\*A. S. Johnson.

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\*O. M. Mott,  
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C. E. Schultz,  
W. S. Clark.

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J. J. Garrett,  
J. H. Allen,

J. C. Brownfield,  
L. J. Silverthorn,  
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T. N. Ogle.

ALTERNATE.

I. Brown.

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PAST COMMANDERS.

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J. M. Harris,

L. Root.

REPRESENTATIVE.

\*H. Saunders.

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

\*Commander, George H. Heberling.

PAST COMMANDERS.

E. Dean,  
D. K. Oliver,  
W. H. Wiscombe,  
\*E. Morrison,  
W. H. Maxwell,  
J. G. Gundlach,  
F. P. Weymouth.

Thomas Lavory,  
\*B. R. Freeman,  
W. H. Forney,  
A. W. Holland,  
J. A. Harris,  
\*H. C. Olney.

REPRESENTATIVES.

\*N. M. Graves,  
\*Josiah Gill,  
\*F. H. Merthew,  
\*H. Fisher,  
\*M. A. Magee.

ALTERNATES.

Gordon Howell,  
A. W. Holland,  
R. Miller,  
Patrick Hogan.

PACIFIC POST NO. 48, PORT ANGELES.

Commander, D. B. Merrill.

\*F. M. Wait.

PAST COMMANDERS.

L. D. Stewart,  
H. M. Guptill,  
\*H. W. Doty,  
\*R. R. Harding,

Thomas H. Bradley,  
W. E. Ellsworth,  
\*W. H. Mock,  
S. L. Watkins,  
\*J. A. Smith.

REPRESENTATIVES.

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

ALTERNATE.

W. J. Eblin.

## KIT CARSON POST NO. 49, KELSO.

Commander, J. W. Moon.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

William Davitt,

S. N. Partlow.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

M. H. Handy.

## GEN. GROVER POST NO. 51, AUBURN.

Commander, T. E. Hughes.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

\*George Hart,

J. K. Warnock,

\*David N. Kinkade,

\*W. L. Beach,

\*L. Y. Gilbert,

L. L. Scott.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

## ALTERNATE.

\*W. H. White.

E. Liston.

## WASHINGTON POST NO. 52, HOQUIAM.

Commander, W. E. Rockwell.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

B. S. Philbrick,

M. H. Turner,

G. W. France,

A. M. Holman,

Peter Erickson,

W. F. Crawford.

## WHITMAN POST NO. 53, PULLMAN.

Commander, Levi Crawford.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

R. Lanning,

T. W. Savage,

C. S. Mason,

R. P. Allen,

W. H. Taylor,

Willey Campbell.

Ed Faney.

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

\*Commander, M. H. Sickles.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

A. Martin,

J. C. Callender,

L. C. Tallman,

\*John Cole.

W. L. C. Atkinson,

## REPRESENTATIVES.

## ALTERNATE.

\*Henry Sherman,

George D. McDonne

\*Martin Van Etton.

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

Commander, Henry Metz.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

B. A. Brown,

David Smith.

E. P. McClure,

## REPRESENTATIVE.

H. M. Worthington.

LT. CUSHING POST NO. 56, BALLARD.

\*Commander, James E. Hathaway.

PAST COMMANDERS.

\*R. H. Sprague,  
B. Steinauer,  
D. B. Avery,  
\*A. Loney.

\*J. H. Wiley,  
\*Spencer Hawley,  
\*D. R. Smith.

REPRESENTATIVE.  
Frank S. Thorp.

ALTERNATE.  
J. P. Draper.

H. G. SICKLES POST NO. 57, VASHON.

Commander, S. D. Sherman.

PAST COMMANDERS.

C. A. Barton,  
M. H. Snow,  
S. W. Jacobs,

\*E. E. Van Olinda,  
A. S. Christman,  
C. W. Houghton.

REPRESENTATIVE.  
J. S. Markham.

ALTERNATE.  
Lawrence Christman

APPERSON POST NO. 59, FAIRHAVEN.

Commander, John R. Hernley.

PAST COMMANDERS.

D. L. Hopkins,  
T. W. Gillette,  
\*H. B. Bateman,

S. P. Tapling,  
C. T. Lathrop,  
W. M. Toles.

E. M. Day,

REPRESENTATIVES.

George A. Ames.

BENTLEY POST NO. 60, REARDON.

Commander, W. H. Hickox.

PAST COMMANDERS.

H. H. Lair,  
John Glasbrook,

\*George P. Amily.

REPRESENTATIVE.  
Frank Hamilton.

ALTERNATE.  
John Wickham.

GEN. MILROY POST NO. 62, LATAH.

Commander, N. B. Welton.

PAST COMMANDERS.

B. H. Copeland,  
G. W. Hendricks,  
C. M. Reynolds,

C. E. Mohundro,  
D. N. Lake.

REPRESENTATIVE.  
John LeCarum.

ALTERNATE.  
F. C. Connell.

## GEORGE CROOK POST NO. 63, ABERDEEN.

\*Commander Fred Nye.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

J. M. Burmingham,  
\*N. Arnold,  
A. Payette,  
C. R. Robinson,Joe Pugram,  
J. W. Tokles,  
A. H. Lackey,  
\*C. P. L. Roberts.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

J. H. Moody.

## WALLACE POST NO. 64, SPRINGDALE.

Commander, \_\_\_\_\_

## ADMIRAL PORTER POST NO. 66, MOSSY ROCK.

Commander, William Young.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

Arthur Bridges,  
P. D. Hopkinson,

Thomas Landes.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

Moses Hoyt.

## GEN. EMORY POST NO. 68, ANACORTES.

\*Commander, A. D. Quint.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

\*John J. See,  
\*V. J. Knapp,  
\*A. J. Crookham,  
M. E. Shock,G. C. March,  
D. J. Davis,  
William A. McLean.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

\*A. Larrnioner.

## JOHN C. FREMONT POST NO. 69, SOUTH BEND.

\*Commander, F. R. Wright.

## PAST COMMANDER.

J. S. Brown.

## REPRESENTATIVES.

\*C. E. Huson,  
William H. Gudgel.

## ALTERNATES.

Wm. A. Corey,  
J. H. Turner.

## UNION POST NO. 70, CHEWELAH.

Commander, C. T. Riggs.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

Fred Kieling,  
E. A. Keyes,

D. F. L. Diseanesnow.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

W. E. Runohl.

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

Commander, M. D. Compton.

PAST COMMANDERS.

T. E. McDougal,  
REPRESENTATIVE.

W. E. Gove.  
ALTERNATE.

\*N. C. Jones.

J. W. Knapp.

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

Commander, Joseph Long.

PAST COMMANDERS.

S. H. McNaughton,

\*Jesse Howell,

A. Eckmyre,

W. Elsworth.

\*A. Allen,

REPRESENTATIVE.  
D. Shaffen.

EVERETT POST NO. 73, SUMNER.

Commander, A. McFarland.

PAST COMMANDERS.

George T. Myers,

\*Joseph Packard,

J. H. Thompson,

J. B. Kraus.

REPRESENTATIVE.

ALTERNATE.

J. A. Crosby.

A. O. Kline.

SILAS CASEY POST NO. 74, FRIDAY HARBOR.

Commander, John L. Blair.

PAST COMMANDERS.

J. E. Tucker,\*

J. W. Smoots,

W. H. Thacker,

\*A. S. Hall.

REPRESENTATIVE.

ALTERNATE.

E. Gigler.

G. W. Smith.

E. J. HOUGHTON POST NO. 75, HARVEY.

Commander, Herbert L. Childs.

PAST COMMANDERS.

Frank Bryant,

William Overman,

J. C. Gifford,

G. W. Sykes.

George Coulter,

REPRESENTATIVE.  
J. M. Fish.

HIRAM BURNHAM POST NO. 76, KENT.

\*Commander, H. N. Joy.

PAST COMMANDERS.

George R. Seese,

George Wood,

\*S. C. Nicholson,

\*Otto Maur.

REPRESENTATIVE.

ALTERNATE.

\*O. Filson.

J. Railsbock.

H. A. LOOMIS POST NO. 80, GIG HARBOR.  
Commander, William Kimball.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

*M. B. Hunt,	*J. H. Allen.
*A. H. Brown,	
REPRESENTATIVE.	ALTERNATE.
*W. S. Peacock.	Frank Hall.

WORTHINGTON POST NO. 81, ELMA.

Commander, T. Kellerman.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

Alex Jolly,	H. Cramer,
M. A. Holcomb	Thomas Foreman.
*E. Sheehan,	
REPRESENTATIVE.	ALTERNATE.
B. Bushwell.	J. Stevens.

T. P. PRICE POST NO. 82, CENTRALIA.

Commander, Martin Robinson.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

*E. Pomeroy,	M. D. Wood,
*C. D. Spencer,	A. P. Clayton.
REPRESENTATIVE.	ALTERNATE.
*W. F. Reeves.	M. T. Curry.

GEN. SAUNDERS POST NO. 83, KELSO.

Commander, John Goggs.

## PAST COMMANDER.

Henry Allen.

REPRESENTATIVE.	ALTERNATE.
P. J. Knapp.	Charles Hall.

COMMODORE FOOTE POST NO. 84, SIDNEY.

Commander, Frank D. Fuller.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

J. B. Clark,	D. C. Bleme,
*W. J. Alexander,	A. W. Robinson,
A. H. Baird,	*P. H. Seay.
*William Cline,	
REPRESENTATIVE.	ALTERNATE.
*C. M. Bartlett.	W. A. Stark.

E. M. STANTON POST NO. 86, ARLINGTON.

\*Commander, D. S. Baker.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

*A. L. Blair,	Otto Maurer,
Thomas Moran,	Robert Maxwell.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

\*William Aldridge.

J. A. WINSLOW POST NO. 87, SOUTH TACOMA.

Commander, H. A. McKenny.

PAST COMMANDERS

C. T. Patterson,  
R. S. Alexander,  
H. H. Warren,  
J. E. Hartshorn,  
J. H. Waters,

J. Emory,  
T. D. Brear,  
S. V. Isenbury,  
J. Baker.

REPRESENTATIVE.

J. Bennett.

ALTERNATE.

J. Greer.

GEN. FRED LANDER POST NO. 88, FARMINGTON.

Commander, James Charles.

PAST COMMANDERS.

T. R. Tannatt,  
R. A. Truax,  
R. H. Martin,

E. W. Leonard,  
J. Blickenderfer.

REPRESENTATIVE.

D. F. Ravens.

ALTERNATE.

J. R. Brown.

JOHN BUFORD POST NO. 89, EVERETT.

\*Commander, W. T. Jordan.

PAST COMMANDERS.

\*J. T. Sherfey,  
\*R. K. Beecham,  
\*D. R. French,  
\*J. H. Tubbs,

\*J. P. Budd,  
\*L. H. Coon,  
\*J. A. Baker.

REPRESENTATIVES.

\*Simon Terwilliger,  
\*H. P. Marshall.

ALTERNATES.

Noble Allison,  
Franklin Armstrong.

COL. E. E. CROSS POST NO. 90, SHELTON.

\*Commander, F. M. Munson.

PAST COMMANDERS.

George Cyphert,  
J. B. Ritner,  
John Seig,

Samuel Caldwell,  
G. T. Huntley,  
Z. W. Woods.

REPRESENTATIVE.

\*M. E. Jones.

D. CHAPLAIN POST NO. 92, COUPEVILLE.

\*Commander, John Benson.

PAST COMMANDERS.

F. A. Le Sourd,  
\*A. B. Coates,

Charles Eaton.

## GEN. J. M. RUSK POST NO. 93, DAVENPORT.

Commander, A. S. Dunning.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

T. H. Long,  
R. R. Stewart,E. S. Hitch,  
J. H. Fane.

## N. B. PAGE POST NO. 94, MISSION.

\*Commander, J. McFarland.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

James Taylor,  
\*A. S. Burbanks,

Thomas Stewart.

## REPRESENTATIVE.

\*S. F. Rexford.

## L. P. PLUMMER POST NO. 95, WHATCOM.

\*Commander, James Abbott.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

John Broyles,  
Andrew Miller,  
REPRESENTATIVES.  
\*J. H. Marlette,  
\*August Neil.James H. Decker,  
\*Jeremiah Swiger.  
ALTERNATES,  
A. C. Langley,  
Martin Sutherland.

## GEN. EWING POST NO. 96, ISSAQUAH.

Commander, J. M. Thompson.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

A. J. Foster,  
William Ray,  
REPRESENTATIVE.  
\*Charles Smith.\*Wm. H. Brunk,  
\*D. F. Wilsey.  
ALTERNATE.  
S. Baxter.

## GEN. W. T. SHERMAN POST NO. 97, BURLINGTON.

Commander, Thomas Thompson.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

\*Abraham Garl,  
\*W. H. H. Cressey,  
\*D. Koch,  
REPRESENTATIVE.  
\*E. K. White.Dennis Hinchin,  
\*Wm. H. Miller,  
\*James Lewellen.  
ALTERNATE.  
Charles Mills.

## GEN. JOHN M. CORSE POST NO. 98, COLVILLE.

Commander, Thomas J. King.

## PAST COMMANDERS.

A. F. Perkins,  
C. W. Campbell,

D. J. Zent.

H. W. LAWTON POST NO. 99, ORTING.

\*Commander, Robert Young.

PAST COMMANDER.  
Thomas Holcomb.

REPRESENTATIVES.  
\*C. W. Kyle,  
\*William McKenzie.

ALTERNATES.  
P. H. Felton,  
S. M. Morgan.

SPEAGLE POST NO. 100, MEAD.

\*Commander, James Berridge.

PAST COMMANDERS.

D. B. Roby.  
REPRESENTATIVE.  
G. W. Nease,

\*David Christman.  
ALTERNATE.  
Robert Atkinson.

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

Commander, C. S. Boss.

JOHN M. PALMER POST NO. 102, CLARKSTON.

Commander, Alex Robinson.

REPRESENTATIVE.  
C. T. Cowan.

ALTERNATE.  
A. J. Sherburn.

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

Commander, John Taylor.

PAST COMMANDERS.

\*F. S. Berry.  
REPRESENTATIVES.  
\*G. W. Lincoln,  
\*T. C. Hopkins,

E. A. Herrman.  
ALTERNATE.  
C. H. Jones.

HARRISON POST NO. 104, CHELAN.

\*Commander, John A. Green.

PAST COMMANDERS.

Charles Johnson,  
REPRESENTATIVES.  
J. A. Larrabee,  
Spencer Boyd.

H. C. Keeler.  
ALTERNATES.  
E. Reigle,  
S. H. Hopkins.

COL. DANIEL M'COOK POST NO. 105, WENATCHEE.

Commander, S. W. Reeves.

PAST COMMANDERS.

J. B. Palmer,  
\*A. P. Clayton,  
REPRESENTATIVE.  
\*J. R. Fuller,

James W. Ferguson.  
ALTERNATE.  
W. D. Reeder.

## WILLIAM M'KINLEY POST NO. 106, DEER PARK.

Commander, Levi Anderson.

REPRESENTATIVE.

J. A. Neaville.

ALTERNATE.

J. T. Grove.

## WILLIAM HALL POST NO. 107, GRANITE FALLS.

\*Commander, A. P. Waterhouse.

REPRESENTATIVE.

H. A. Gregory.

ALTERNATE.

J. L. Snethon.

## JOHN BOTHELL POST NO. 108, BOTHELL.

\*Commander, John W. Moore.

## CAPT. BELDEN SPENCER POST NO. 109, REPUBLIC.

Commander, J. L. Brown.

PAST COMMANDER.

A. S. Farquharson.

REPRESENTATIVE.

Thomas Ryan.

ALTERNATE.

J. H. Williamson.

## NAVY YARD POST NO. 110, BREMERTON.

Commander, H. R. Gale.

\*C. D. Benton.

REPRESENTATIVE.

\*M. R. Brewster.

Junior Vice Commander, J. L. Dutton, of No. 45, was then called to the chair and Department Commander Harry A. Bigelow then read the following report:

## COMMANDER'S ADDRESS.

Comrades: This, the Twentieth Annual Encampment of our Department, is the first of the new century, and I congratulate you that you have been permitted to gather here as the representatives of the survivors of the loyal remnant of that grand army that thirty-seven years ago marched back from the sanguinary fields of our "great war." Modest in your great victory in behalf of equal rights and justice, you laid down your arms, doffed your faded uniforms, to adopt once more civilian dress and assume its duties and cares.

If your achievements on the field of battle were great, what you have accomplished as citizens has been equally to your credit. As soldiers you have given to this nation a martial fame that challenges the admiration of the world, and bequeaths to generations to come a heritage rich in its lessons of love and loyalty and unselfish sacrifice.

When at the Nineteenth Annual Encampment of this Department held at Tacoma one year ago I was favored by your suffrages

with the position of Commander of this Department, I felt then, and do now feel profoundly grateful for the honor thus conferred upon me. To be placed at the head of this grand column of the surviving Union soldiers of our beloved Department is an honor which may well fill the measure of any soldier's ambition. I esteemed it such, and felt that my deep gratitude could only be expressed by a faithful discharge of the duties connected with the office.

Sensible of my weakness, I have endeavored to do this with all the earnestness and ability I possessed, sometimes at the sacrifice of personal comfort and interests. I have responded as well as I could to every call made upon me. Although it has been a year of anxiety and concern relating to the welfare of the Department, it has been a year of many pleasant experiences and delightful comradeship. It has not been practicable to visit a very large number of Posts, yet I have attended reunions, camp fires and Post meetings in nearly all parts of the Department. I have received everywhere the fraternal greetings and generous hospitality of the Comrades, the memory of which will sweeten my declining years.

#### NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The Thirty-fifth National Encampment held at Cleveland September 12th and 13th was one to be remembered with pleasure, and yet with sadness. There was never an Encampment assembled under similar circumstances. Our beloved Comrade, William McKinley, the President of the United States, but three days before had been stricken down by the hand of a cowardly assassin and lay dying in the city of Buffalo. Upon the face of every Comrade could be seen deep sorrow and sympathy for our President. Indeed, the grief and sorrow was so intense that the Encampment did not attempt to transact any business but the election and installation of officers. The incoming Council of Administration were delegated to complete the work of the Encampment.

Notwithstanding the long distance, the Department was well represented, all of whom attended the sessions of the Encampment and took an active and earnest part in the proceedings.

#### WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS.

It is with great satisfaction I am able to report that the Women's Relief Corps during the past year have kept up a glorious record. To the Department President, Mrs. Jennie Wiscombe, the Comrades owe a deep debt of gratitude for her labor in behalf of the veteran soldiers, her watchfulness and care over the affairs of the Relief Corps and its attending responsibilities. On behalf of

the Department I extend to her my sincere thanks. I counsel the Comrades to give the Women's Relief Corps all possible encouragement and aid in their noble and unselfish work. The time is approaching when we will need their services, especially in keeping up the social interest in our meetings.

#### LADIES OF THE G. A. R.

It has not been officially reported to the Department what has been accomplished by this organization. I have learned, however, that the society is composed of the mothers, wives, widows, sisters and daughters of the soldiers of the Civil War, and their work is worthy of the highest commendation.

#### SONS OF VETERANS.

I fear that the Sons of Veterans, as an organization, has not received the support and encouragement it deserves from Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. From the nature of our Order it will soon cease to exist. Our principles and teachings, however, should be immortal. Who are more likely to perpetuate our teachings and carry on our work than our worthy sons? It should be a source of pleasure to know that our sons have recognized this and have organized to accomplish the work.

They do not ask to become members of our organization or to have any of its honors. They do desire, however, to have the substantial endorsement and regard of the father for the son; and as the work of the two organizations is kindred and mutual, they believe that each can be helpful to the other, and that the younger can carry on the work after the older shall have become extinct. These are certainly worthy sentiments and motives. The Sons of Veterans deserve our best efforts and heartfelt support.

#### PENSIONS.

This is a very important question. Little did we think of a pension as an incentive to enlistment during those dark days from '61 to '65. We performed our duty well. We succeeded in building better than we hoped, making this nation what it is today. The government has been exceedingly liberal in enacting pension laws and making large appropriations from the treasury to pay pensions to her defenders. She can do more, and then not be paying the debt she owes to the men who saved the nation. We are promised better things by the newly appointed Pension Commissioner, and we earnestly hope the promises may come true.

## STATE SOLDIERS' HOME.

I have visited the State Soldiers' Home at Orting, Washington, and in my opinion the Home is kept in a healthy condition and all the comforts of life that can be had in such an institution are being enjoyed by the old soldiers whose misfortune it is to be compelled to spend their last days on this earth in a Soldiers' Home.

## MEMORIAL DAY.

This day, the 30th of May, was observed in solemn ceremony throughout the Department. The attendance far exceeded the years past, and the solemnity of the occasion will leave a lasting impression on the minds of those who participated. All that is earthly of our departed Comrades lie resting in those grassy mounds whose gloom only binds us nearer to each other, and in memory of their great service we pay tribute to their shrine and with tender hands place floral wreaths on their graves as an appreciation of love and affection. We owe it to the generations which follow after us, that we show a profound observance of Memorial Day, thus insuring fraternal recollections.

## IN CONCLUSION.

I have endeavored not to weary you with a long address. We present for inspection our year's work. Possibly we have made mistakes, but our aim and purpose has been to do what we could for the welfare of the Department.

To my associate Officers and Official Staff I return my heartfelt thanks for their able counsel and assistance, especially to A. Mevin Cole, Assistant Adjutant General, who, by his untiring devotion to the interests of the Department, has made the work of the Commander pleasant. Comrades, I thank you for the honor of being your Commander for the year now closing. We gather in this the Twentieth Encampment with our ranks thinner than a year ago, yet we are a band of true soldiers standing elbow to elbow, waiting the final review.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

H. A. BIGELOW,

Department Commander, Washington and Alaska G. A. R.

On motion of the Encampment the report was referred to a committee consisting of Department Chaplain W. H. Mock, of No. 48; Allison Allen, of No. 72, and G. W. Nease, of No. 100.

Department Commander Bigelow then resumed the chair.

The following report was then read by Assistant Adjutant General A. Melvin Cole:

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 REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

 Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
 Grand Army of the Republic.

 Office of Assistant Adjutant General,  
 Seattle, Wash., June 24, 1902.

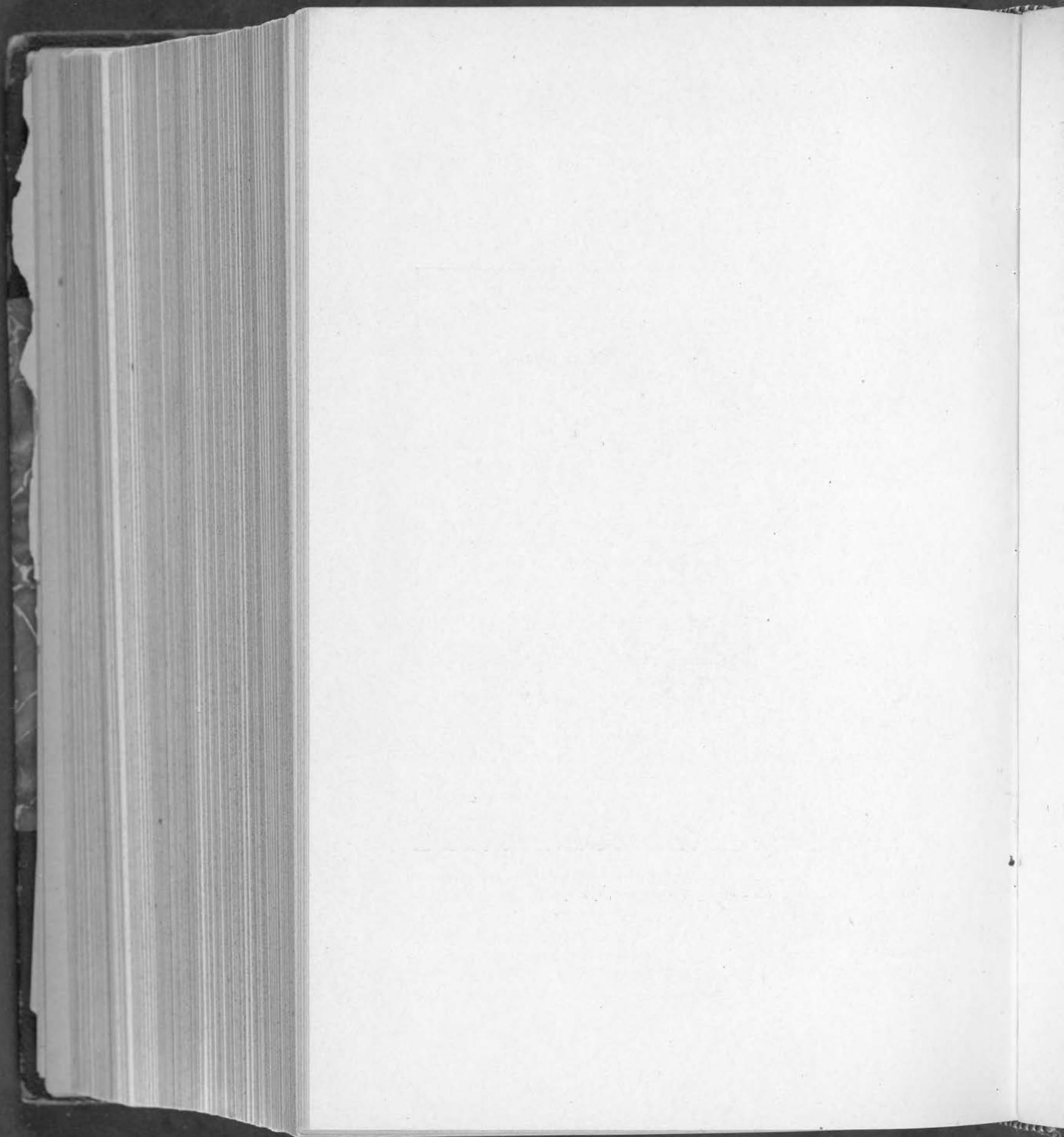
 Harry A. Bigelow, Department Commander of Washington and  
 Alaska, G. A. R.

Dear Sir and Comrade: In obedience to the requirements of our Order, I have the honor to submit my report for the year as Assistant Adjutant General for the term beginning June 27, 1901, and ending June 26, 1902.

Total number of members in good standing Dec. 31, 1900.....	.2354
Gained during the year 1901—	
By Muster in .....	155
By Transfer .....	59
By Reinstatement .....	63
By Delinquent Reports .....	46
Total Gain .....	323
Aggregate .....	2677
Loss—	
By Death .....	54
By Honorable Discharge .....	19
By Transfer .....	38
By Suspension .....	65
Total Loss .....	176
Remaining in Good Standing June 30, 1901.....	2501
(Nine Posts Delinquent.)	
Showing a Total Gain in Membership for the Term of.....	147
Number Remaining Suspended to Date .....	65
Term Ending December 31, 1901 .....	2501
Gain—	
By Muster In and with two New Posts (23) .....	144
By Transfer .....	52
By Reinstatement .....	47
By Delinquent Reports (Nine Posts) .....	184
Total Gain .....	427
Aggregate .....	2928



A. MELVIN COLE,  
Assistant Adjutant-General, 1901-1902.



Loss—	
By Death .....	35
By Honorable Discharge .....	9
By Transfer .....	33
By Suspension .....	138
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Total Loss .....	215
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Remaining in Good Standing Dec. 31, 1901 .....	2713
Number Remaining Suspended .....	95
Approximate Membership June 24, 1902, including	
Three New Posts .....	2759
Total Gain in Membership During the Year from De-	
cember 31, 1900, to December 31, 1901 .....	359

The number of deaths in this Department for the year ending December 31, 1901, as shown by Post returns, was 89; the year 1900 was 64.

The showing made of gains and losses is even more remarkable than that of preceding years. We are another year nearer the final report of the work of the Grand Army of the Republic. We are older, feeling more keenly any disease or infirmity that has possession of our physical or mental condition, yet, notwithstanding, 89 of our Comrades closed their eyes in eternal sleep, the total loss in our membership for the year 1901 was but 259.

There are reasons for this condition: First, activity on the part of the Comrades in recruiting in the Department. Second, visitations by the Department Commander and fellow officers at gatherings of the veterans. Third, by the closest touch by headquarters with the Comrades over the Department.

I have no desire to secure any credit to myself for the work at headquarters during the year, and far be it from my purpose to cast any reflection upon those who preceded me, for their acquaintance with the Comrades was limited and the office a minor part of their business, but I unhesitatingly advance the expression, as an indisputable proposition, that no Comrade can properly conduct the office of Assistant Adjutant General of this Department that has not in his heart the continuous and unbounded determination to make the best interest of his Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic paramount.

With such determination he is of the greatest help to his Commander, who cannot be at headquarters all the time, and he can do much to keep his Comrades from being lost to the Order, when they become weary and fall out of line, by having the am-

balance of advice and good cheer ready to take them again to the Post room.

Following the precedent heretofore established and carrying out the instructions of the Council of Administration, the affairs of the Department have been conducted with the strictest economy consistent with the welfare of the Order. I have promptly made and forwarded all reports required by the Rules and Regulations to National Headquarters.

It is gratifying to be able to say that Post reports, at this time, are in better condition and more nearly complete, than ever before. The fact remains, however, that this has only been attained by persistent work in urging officers to make out and forward the returns due from them. The neglect of duty in this respect by some of the Post Officers greatly retards and renders unnecessarily difficult the work at Department Headquarters, and considerably increases the expense.

In many instances from three to five letters have been written before the information sought was obtained. It would be gratifying indeed if all Post Officers would promptly answer correspondence from Headquarters.

The correspondence has been greater and required more time than formerly, because of a desire to strengthen the interest of our Comrades in our organization.

Eight General Orders and three Circular Letters have been received from National Headquarters, and there have been issued from this Department ten General Orders and one Circular Letter and twelve Dispensations for special purposes. All have been promptly mailed to the various Posts in the Department, and exchanges have been made with all Departments, and many have been sent out to public institutions in the United States.

The carefully compiled Journal of the Nineteenth Encampment of Washington and Alaska was received from my worthy predecessor, Comrade Henry C. Olney, in August, 1901, and with the Roster of 1902 sent to every Post in this Department and Past Department Officers, and one copy each also sent to every Department in the United States.

The custom of exchanging General Orders, Rosters and Journals with other Departments has been continued during the past year, and all those received are on file at Headquarters.

I found upon taking charge of the papers of this Department that there was no record book of the holding of different Annual Encampments; also that there was no record of the organization or disbandment of Posts, excepting in a few cases where I found

applications for charters, but no record of the fact that charters were granted, or authority issued to any person to institute a Post.

I purchased a suitable journal for the purpose of keeping a complete record of the holding of different Annual Encampments, which is complete up to the present time. This gives the date, location and Department Commanders elected; also of all Posts organized in this Department, giving the name and number of Post, place of organization, number of charter members, name of mustering officer and first Post Commander. This journal is complete up to date with a few exceptions. I have had the Journals of the several Departments, Annual Encampments from 1893 to 1901 inclusive, bound in a well-bound copy. Upon examining the Proceedings of different Encampments, I found missing the first Journal and Proceedings of the first Encampment. The Department Commander, Harry A. Bigelow, has kindly furnished the Department with this missing Journal and Proceedings of the first Encampment, held in 1883. I have it bound, together with other bound Journals, in the first volume, so that the Department has a complete record from its organization in 1883 up to the present time, 1901. Charters have been issued since our last Encampment to Posts Nos. 103, 107, 108, 109 and 110, as will be shown in detail by the Report of the Chief Mustering Officer. E. M. Stanton Post, No. 86, has been resuscitated; application for a charter at Nome, Alaska, was made. Charter and the necessary supplies were sent; no report of organization has yet been sent to headquarters. Charter has been issued to Post No. 11, to replace the one lost by fire and one to Post No. 94, to replace one stolen from said Post.

#### ANNUAL REPORTS.

There is a very pronounced showing of indifference to the making out of some of the Annual Reports, by the Posts upon the blanks sent to the Adjutants.

Take for instance the Report of the Medical Director of the Department. Many of the Posts failed to make any report to him. The law of our Order says these reports must be made out. Take the Report of the Post Chaplain to the Department Chaplain, giving a full account of Memorial Day. This is a most important report and an essential one to the making of the records of the Department complete, yet it is a fact that a large number of Posts fail to make the report called for.

If there be no Post Chaplain, how easy for the Adjutant to make out the report, which is not at all complicated, and do the

work the day after Memorial Day. This would enable the Department Chaplain to keep up this Department's reputation with the National Chaplain.

Take the report of Post Inspector. The rules are imperative that there must be no Installation of Officers until the Post has been inspected; yet the Department Inspector is obliged to report a number of Posts as having given the matter no attention. I have no suggestions to make as to the means of making correction of these careless and disobedient habits. We are too old to permit of the excuse, "Didn't know." We must put up with much, rather than lose our membership, for that is our comradeship; we cannot let go of the ties that bind—what shall we do? Suppose we agree to try once more obedience of Orders, and see what effect in the Annual Reports for 1902 will be.

In the matter of making out the semi-annual reports by the Adjutant and Quartermaster of Posts, the Commander has a grave responsibility resting upon him. It is his duty to see that the two officers named make out their reports at the last meeting of the Post in June and December, and after affixing his signature to instruct the Quartermaster to forward the same the day after, with the per capita tax of twenty cents for each member in good standing. If this is not done and the Assistant Adjutant General should comply with the rules, he would send his consolidated report to National Headquarters showing at least from thirty to forty Posts as delinquent.

The rules say that he shall send in his report on or before the 20th day of July and January. If the Posts did their duty and the reports were in the hands of the Assistant Adjutant General by the 10th of July and January, he could obey his orders.

There may be Comrades in this Encampment whose Posts, because of this neglect of the three Officers above named, will be delinquent for the reports due this month. They have paid their dues, they suppose their Officers are doing their duty; yet if the Post is reported delinquent, and the dues are not paid, the member in good standing is endangered as to his standing.

I call upon every member of this Encampment to see to it that upon his return home that his Post Commander, Adjutant and Quartermaster make out and forward the semi-annual reports and per capita tax before the 10th of July, 1902.

#### CONCLUSION.

Commander: I desire to express my high appreciation of your confidence and esteem. You have been my Commander, and with greatest interest in your administration, I have tried at all

times and every moment to so conduct the affairs of my office as to give satisfaction to yourself and the members of the Order. You have been with me either in person or by phone so often that there could be no doubt raised as to your continuous desire to have the best interests of the Grand Army of the Republic kept always at the fore front.

I know that as you retire from your present office, with the honors so richly deserved, you will carry with you a genuine feeling of fraternal comradeship from every veteran in our ranks.

For myself, permit me to say, my dear Commander, that while officially our relations close with this Encampment, the association of twelve months has so developed your brother's heart that I shall claim for the future a closer relationship between us than ever before existed. For the honor you conferred when naming me upon your staff you have my heartfelt thanks.

To others of the Department Officers and my fellow members upon the staff, who have at all times shown their interest in the work assigned them, and with whom my relations have been most positively fraternal, I offer sincere thanks for their continued courtesy.

To you, my Comrades of the Department, representing the Posts that make up our numerical strength as an organization, I come once more with sincerest expression of fraternal sentiment and heartfelt thanks for your always generous treatment.

You who have served your Comrades in the Post have many a time had occasion to communicate with Headquarters, and in such instances the greatest pleasure has been mine, to serve you quickly and with a desire to comply with your wishes so far as the best interests of the Order would permit. My relations have been so pleasant with you, my comrades, that as I turn over to my successor the affairs of my official station, I may entertain the feeling of a continuance of the shoulder touch with each, and an earnest heart's prayer that richer and richer blessings may come as we approach the sunset of our days.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

A. MELVIN COLE,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

After the reading of the report the same was, on motion, referred to a committee consisting of Comrade W. J. Alexander, of No. 84; W. S. Peacock, of No. 80, and W. McKenzie, of No. 99.

National Junior Vice Commander and Past Department Commander S. G. Cosgrove, being present in the body of the hall, was

invited by Department Commander Bigelow to a seat on the rostrum, which was accepted.

The Assistant Quartermaster General's report was then read by A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. A. Melvin Cole, as follows:

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.,  
Seattle, Wash., June 23, 1902.

To Harry A. Bigelow, Department Commander:

Dear Sir and Comrade—In compliance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, I have the honor herewith to submit to you my report of the business transacted in the office of the Assistant Quartermaster General of the Department of Washington and Alaska during the term ending this date:

CASH RECEIPTS.

	Dr.
1901—	
June 27—From H. C. Olney, A. Q. M. G.....	\$ 414.40
June 30—From per capita tax, first term.....	539.60
Dec. 31—From per capita tax, second term.....	538.00
1902—	
June 23—From sales of supplies to date.....	151.85
June 23—From six Charters and supplies there- with .....	60.00
	—————\$1,703.85

PER CONTRA, CR.—CASH DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid B. R. Freeman, appr'd June 27, 1901.....	\$ 29.00
Paid Chaplain W. H. Mock, appr'd June 27.....	15.00
Paid Wm. Markham (stenographic report), June 27 .....	15.00
Paid Chaplain W. H. Mock (money advanced)...	15.00
Paid printing Journals 19th Encampment.....	121.75
Paid printing Roster 1902 .....	26.00
Paid Miscellaneous printing, stationery and bind- ing .....	123.20
Paid postage and incidentals .....	76.99
Paid freight and express .....	34.31
Paid Headquarters 35th National Encampment...	40.00
Paid badges for Department officers and delegates	10.00
Carried Forward .....	—————\$ 506.25

Brought Forward .....	\$ 506.25
Paid banner (guidon and ribbons) 35th Encampment .....	3.75
Paid appropriation for Department Commander..	150.00
Paid supplies purchased Quartermaster General..	154.04
Paid salary A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.....	400.00
Paid Headquarters rent .....	50.00
Paid tube for Charters .....	5.60
Paid per capita tax, first term 1901.....	31.26
Paid per capita tax, second term 1901.....	44.55
Paid per capita tax, delinquent reports.....	5.22
	\$1,350.67
Balance (certified check attached).....	353.18
	\$1,703.85

SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Sales included amount supplies furnished with Charter .....	\$207.35
Inventory June 23, 1902.....	111.84
	\$319.19—\$319.19
Inventory June 27, 1901.....	\$117.89
Purchased Quartermaster General .....	154.04
	271.93
	\$ 47.26—\$319.19

RESOURCES JUNE 23, 1902.

Cash on hand, certified check.....	\$353.13
Supplies, per inventory .....	114.74
Furniture and fixtures .....	31.85
Banner and flags .....	102.00
Tube for Charters .....	5.60
Banner (guidon and ribbons) .....	3.75
	\$611.12
Total .....	
Liabilities, none.	

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,  
A. MELVIN COLE, A. Q. M. G.

On motion of Comrade G. H. Boardman, of No. 6, said report was ordered placed on file and ordered printed in the Journal of Proceedings.

The report of the Council of Administration was then read by Comrade W. H. Wiscombe, of No. 47, as follows:

## REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Headquarters Dept. of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.  
Everett, Wash., June 24, 1902.

To the Twentieth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.:

Your Council of Administration beg to report that we have examined the books and accounts of the A. Q. M. G. and find them correct. We find his books neatly and accurately kept. We have carefully checked over all receipts and disbursements, and find them to compare with his report. We find a sum total of all moneys and property received amounts to \$1,703.85, and the disbursements \$1,350.67, leaving a balance of \$353.18. A certified check for \$353.18 accompanies this report.

We find that \$15.00 has been advanced to Comrade W. H. Mock, our Department Chaplain, which we would recommend be allowed him for his usual allowance for services for the year ending June 24th, 1902.

We would recommend that Comrade C. D. Spencer, Chairman Patriotic Instruction, be allowed \$16.00 for expense incurred by him for stationery, etc., an itemized account of which is attached hereto, but we do not wish this to be considered as a precedent.

And we would also recommend that only 400 Journals of this Encampment be printed, instead of 500 which was printed last year.

We would recommend that the incoming Department Commander be allowed \$150.00 for expenses in visiting Posts of this Department during his term of office, this money to be used for no other purpose.

And we would recommend that the incoming A. Q. M. G. and A. A. G. be allowed \$400.00 for his services for the ensuing year.

We find in checking over the Supply account turned over by the former A. Q. M. G. to Comrade Cole that there was an error made of \$21.34, and we recommend that the Supply account be credited with that amount.

And we recommend that the date of the meeting of the 21st Annual Encampment be determined on by the Council of Administration at their meeting in January next.

We further recommend a continuation of the custom of re-electing two members of the present Council for the ensuing year.

And in conclusion we congratulate this Department on the apparent good condition of its standing. At this meeting we find that not a single Post in this Department is reported delinquent. And

we wish to commend our retiring A. Q. M. G. for the neat and accurate condition of his books. We find his records and detail work kept in a very systematic manner .

W. H. WISCOMBE,  
JNO. E. RISEDORPH,  
B. C. BEDELL,  
J. M. COMSTOCK,  
ABRAHAM GARL,  
Council of Administration.

Everett, Wash., June 23, 1902.

Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., Dr. to C. D. Spencer, Chairman Committee Patriotic Instruction.

To printing postal cards .....	\$ 1.75
To postage stamps .....	2.25
To stationery .....	1.00
To expenses to and during Encampment.....	6.00
To trip to Olympia .....	5.00
	\$16.00

On motion said report was accepted, and that the recommendations therein be complied with, and same printed in the Journal.

A report in regard to the McKinley Memorial Fund was then read by the Assistant Adjutant General as follows:

REPORT OF THE WM. M'KINLEY MEMORIAL FUND.

Seattle, Washington, June 23, 1902.

Comrades—I herewith submit a report of the Wm. McKinley Memorial Fund as follows, viz.:

PUYALLUP.

Post.	Names.	Voucher No.	Amount.
No. 73.	Comrades J. R. Moore, J. F. Thompson, Geo. T. Myers, Wm. Dobler, E. M. Hulce, S. R. Cannon, J. A. Crosby, John Tuel, John Richardson, F. McFarland, A. D. Kline .....	1	\$ 2.50

FRIDAY HARBOR.

No. 74.	Comrade H. C. Smith .....	2	\$ 5.00
		3	.50

AUBURN.

No. 51.	Comrades .....	4	\$ 2.25
No. 51.	Comrade .....	5	.25

## DAVENPORT.

No. 93.	Comrades .....	8	2.00
No. 93.	Comrade J. N. Reily .....	8	.25
No. 93.	Comrade J. R. McKee.....	8	.50
No. 93.	Comrade R. R. Stewart .....	8	1.00
No. 93.	Comrade L. M. Voce .....	8	.50
No. 93.	Comrade Patrick H. Dolan .....	8	1.00

## ORTING.

No. 99.	Comrades .....	6	2.50
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## WILBUR.

No. 39.	Comrades .....	10	5.00
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## GIG HARBOR.

No. 80.	Comrades .....	11	5.00
			<u>\$28.25</u>

## SPOKANE.

No. 47.	Comrade D. K. Oliver .....	9	\$ 1.00
No. 47.	Comrade B. R. Freeman .....	9	1.00
No. 47.	Comrade J. G. Gundlach .....	9	1.00
No. 47.	Comrade E. Morrison .....	9	.50
No. 47.	Comrade B. F. Martin .....	9	.50
No. 47.	Comrade Riley Miller .....	9	.50
No. 47.	Comrade W. H. Smith .....	9	.50
No. 47.	Comrade Joshua Gill .....	9	.25
No. 47.	Comrade A. H. Jarnagan .....	9	.25
No. 47.	Comrade F. P. Weymouth .....	9	1.00
No. 47.	Comrade J. E. Valentine .....	9	1.00
No. 47.	Comrade G. H. Heberling .....	9	1.00
No. 47.	Comrade T. H. Foster .....	9	1.00
No. 47.	Comrade A. W. Miller .....	9	1.00
No. 47.	Comrade A. W. Holland .....	9	1.00
No. 47.	Comrade W. H. Wiscombe .....	9	1.00
No. 47.	Comrade Mathew Fawcett .....	9	.50

## VOUCHER NO. 7.

Subscriptions by Ellsworth Post No. 2, G. A. R., Vancouver, Wash., and individuals residing in Clark county, Wash., to the Fund for the erection and maintenance of a "McKinley Memorial" at Canton, Ohio.

		Amount.
Ellsworth Post No. 2, Vancouver, Wash.....		\$ 5.00
No.	Name. Company and Regiment.	
1.	Grindel, Mrs. Sarah.—, 16th Maine Infantry.....	1.00
2.	Hall, Mrs. J. O.....L, 22nd Indiana Infantry.....	1.00
3.	Alley, A J.....C, 16th Maine Infantry.....	1.00
4.	Augee, V. S.....I, 127th Pennsylvania Infantry....	.50
5.	Baker, William .....—, 25th Missouri Infantry.....	.50
6.	Brewster, W. H.....H, 13th New York Cavalry.....	.50
7.	Bundy, Edgar .....E, 71st Ohio Infantry.....	.25
8.	Bolton, N. F.....D, 24th Indiana Infantry.....	.50
9.	Bachman, Louis ....Ind. Battery 32d N. Y. Artillery....	1.00
10.	Baker, D. B.....D, 1st Missouri Engineers.....	.50
11.	Barr, L. ....G, 3rd Minnesota Infantry.....	.50
12.	Collings, Abraham ..M, 2nd Missouri Cavalry.....	.25
13.	Connor, Thomas W..I, 1st Minnesota Infantry.....	1.00
14.	Cook, S. S.....A, 5th Iowa Infantry.....	1.00
15.	Diedrich, Peter ....A, 20th Iowa Infantry.....	.25
16.	Diedrich, Isaac ....A, 20th Iowa Infantry.....	.25
17.	Downing, R. W.....C, 1st Oregon Cavalry.....	.25
18.	Depwe, T. O.....G, 89th Illinois Infantry.....	.50
19.	Dorman, Thomas ...A, 12th Iowa Infantry.....	.25
20.	Davis, R. W.....I, 24th U. S. C. Troops.....	1.00
21.	Dunbar, W. R.....A, 1st Oregon Cavalry.....	1.00
22.	Enterkine, Joseph ...—, 5th Illinois Cavalry.....	1.00
23.	Funk, H. C.....—, U. S. Vol. Navy.....	1.00
24.	Fisher, J. P.....H, 4th New York Cavalry.....	1.00
25.	Goss, J. T.....A, 117th Illinois Infantry.....	1.00
26.	Gilligan, G. B.....D, 44th Illinois Infantry.....	.25
27.	Hislop, Alexander ...E, 44th Wisconsin Infantry.....	.50
28.	Hutscheck, Charles.—, U. S. Marine Corps .....	.50
29.	Henslee, M. C.....—, 7th Missouri Infantry.....	.20
30.	Jones, J. W.....F, 40th Missouri Infantry.....	.50
31.	Joy, J. H.....F, 8 th Ohio Infantry.....	.25
32.	Kies, Raynor .....C, 23rd Ohio Infantry.....	.50
33.	Lauffer, J. C.....A, 72nd New York Infantry.....	.25
34.	Mills, A. J.....G, 15th Illinois Cavalry.....	.50
35.	McLeavy, Allen ....E, 9th Iowa Infantry.....	.25
36.	Morgan, Evan .....F, 29th Iowa Infantry.....	.25
37.	McIntire, Thomas ...B, 6th Wisconsin Infantry.....	1.00
38.	McCavet, James ....C, 12th Rhode Island Infantry....	.50
39.	Prutzman, J. D.....D, 150th Pennsylvania Infantry...	.50
40.	Reid, D. F.....G, 118th Indiana Infantry.....	.25

No.	Name.	Company and Regiment.	Amount.
41.	Sutton, L. W.....	I, 14th Iowa Infantry.....	.50
42.	Springer, W. C.....	C, 186th Pennsylvania Infantry...	.50
43.	Smith, J. O.....	H, 1st Wisconsin Cavalry.....	.50
44.	Smiley, William ....	I, 36th Iowa Infantry.....	.25
45.	Stafford, W. G.....	E, 7th Illinois Infantry.....	.25
46.	Thornes, Thomas ...	F, 25th New York Cavalry.....	.50
47.	Williams, Robert ...	E, 12th Iowa Infantry.....	1.00
48.	Webster, D. K.....	H, 1st Iowa Cavalry.....	.50
49.	Young, J. A.....	I, 1st Iowa Cavalry.....	.50
Total .....			\$32.70
			\$73.95.

This amount of money has been received and forwarded to the Treasurer of said Fund at Cleveland, Ohio, and his receipt therefor received, which is attached to this report.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

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

The McKinley National Memorial Association,  
Cleveland, Ohio, April 17, 1902.

Mr. A. Melvin Cole, Asst. Adj. Gen'l, G. A. R., Seattle, Washington:

Dear Sir—I take pleasure in acknowledging receipt of your favor of the 7th instant, with enclosure of check for \$73.95, contributed toward the erection of a suitable memorial to the late President McKinley.

The responses we are receiving promise well indeed, and furthered by the good will and substantial support of such friends as yourself, the success of the movement is assured.

Yours very truly,

MYRON T. HERRICK.

On motion of Comrade J. M. Comstock, of No. 8, same was ordered placed on file and to be printed in the Journal.

The Chaplain's report was then read by Department Chaplain Rev. W. H. Mock, of No. 48, as follows:

#### REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

Headquarters Dept. of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.  
Office of Department Chaplain.

Whatcom, Wash., June 23, 1902.

To Comrade Harry A. Bigelow, Department Commander:

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

	1902.	1901.
Number of Posts in Department .....	91	85
Number of Posts reporting for Memorial Services..	54	64

MEMORIAL SABBATH SERVICES.

Number of Posts attending services.....	51	58
Number of sermons preached to Posts.....	51	57
Number of sermons preached by Veterans.....	8	11
Number of sermons preached by Sons of Veterans..	14	5
Number of sermons preached by non-Veterans.....	29	41
Number of Comrades present at such services.....	1,990	1,862
Number of Women's Relief Corps participating with Posts at such services .....	37	31
Number of members of Women's Relief Corps at- tending such services .....	1,005	822

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES.

Number of Posts observing Memorial Day Services.	54	64
Number of Comrades participating in Memorial Day Services .....	2,857	2,777
Number of Women's Relief Corps participating in Memorial Day services .....	56	31
Number of members of Women's Relief Corps par- ticipating in Memorial Day services.....	1,012	822
Number of cemeteries in which graves were deco- rated .....	84	103
Number of graves decorated .....	1,365	1,586
Number of graves unmarked by headstones.....	245	406
Number of public schools engaging in Memorial Day services .....	145	149
Number of pupils participating .....	18,203	15,905
Number of other organizations participating.....	69	91
Number of addresses delivered to Posts on Memo- rial Day .....	51	60
Number of addresses delivered by Veterans.....	16	15
Number of addresses delivered by Sons of Veterans	11	9
Number of Posts having Burial Plots.....	23	26

Remarks: I would most respectfully recommend that the members of the G. A. R., and W. R. C., and Ladies of the G. A. R., and S. of V. put forth their best endeavors to make Memorial Day a

holy day instead of a holiday, as the tendency seems to be in so many places.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

W. H. MOCK, Department Chaplain,  
Whatcom, Wash.

On motion said report was accepted, placed on file and ordered printed in the Journal.

The Department Inspector's report was then read by Department Inspector Henry C. Olney, of No. 47, as follows:

Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.  
Office of Department Inspector.  
Spokane, Wash., June 13, 1902.

Harry A. Bigelow, Department Commander:

Dear Sir and Comrade—Herewith find summary of reports of the Inspectors of the Posts of this Department.

Section 1, of Article V., Rules and Regulations, requires that an annual inspection of all Posts shall be made between the 20th day of September and the 30th day of December in each year, and that within thirty days after the receipt of such reports the Department Inspector shall consolidate the same and furnish a summary to the Department Commander and a copy of the same to the Inspector General.

The reports on file and in my hands will show that very few Posts in this Department complied with the foregoing requirement, and that in consequence the Department Inspector was unable to obey his instructions. In fact, it was not until February 20, and then after most persistent effort—after having written to Post Commanders and Inspectors the third or fourth time—that I was able to make any report at all. On that date I closed my report and furnished a copy of the summary to the Inspector General, as per the following:

Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.  
Office of Department Inspector.  
Spokane, Feb. 20, 1902.

To W. A. Weatherbee, Inspector General, Grand Army of the Republic:

Comrade—I have the honor to present the following summary of the consolidated report of the inspection of the Posts of this Department for the year ending June 30, 1901:

Total number of Posts .....	85
Total number of members in good standing...	2,501
Number of Posts inspected .....	78
Number of Posts not inspected.....	7
Attendance of officers and members at Post meetings .....	Fair
Number of Posts in which the Ritual is properly exemplified .....	55 claimed so.
Number of Posts where officers and guards are properly uniformed and equipped.....	None entirely so
Number of Posts where members are fully uniformed .....	None
Number of Posts whose records are complete and well kept .....	77 claimed so.
Number of Posts whose reports and per capita tax have been forwarded .....	85
Number of Posts having a relief fund.....	..
Aggregate of Post relief funds.....	..
(State law provides Indigent Soldiers' Relief Fund, which is collected by the counties and is distributed upon orders drawn by the Relief Committees of the Posts.)	
Aggregate expenditure by Posts for relief.....	..
(Impossible to ascertain, for few Posts keep any record of orders drawn on County Indigent Fund.)	
Aggregate of funds in hands of Post Quartermasters .....	\$1,716.06
Aggregate value of other property owned by Posts .....	9,613.60
Number of Posts with Women's Relief Corps attached .....	44
Number of Posts with Sons of Veterans attached .....	10

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

HENRY C. OLNEY, Department Inspector.

Since the closing of the Report, five of the seven delinquent Posts have returned Reports of Inspection, viz.: McDowell No. 22; J. J. Lewis No. 37; C. R. Apperson No. 59; E. M. Stanton No. 86; Harrison No. 104. Two are still delinquent, viz.: W. H. Seward No. 36, Juneau, Alaska, and R. L. McCook No. 39, Wilbur, Washington.

In the nature of "Remarks," or special information on the subject of inspection, I cannot do better than to quote the following from my letter to the Inspector General:

Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.  
Office of Department Inspector.  
Spokane, Wash., Feb. 20, 1902.

To W. A. Weatherbee, Inspector General, G. A. R., Boston, Mass:

Dear Sir and Comrade—Herewith find summary of reports of Post inspections in this Department for the term ending June 30, 1901.

I have made every effort possible to obtain the reports of the seven delinquent Posts. These Posts are all small ones, barely existing, some of them meeting only occasionally except on the annual Memorial Day; nearly always delinquent in rendering reports of inspection—if indeed any inspection is ever made. As I cannot wait longer upon these delinquents I reluctantly close my summary and forward copy.

I beg to add hereto the following additional comments:

There are many Posts in this Department with only nine or ten members, many more with less than twenty; many of these keep up a bare existence, meeting irregularly. Some of these cannot keep up much longer but must soon surrender.

Probably in no other Department of our grand organization are Comrades making as heroic effort, as great sacrifices to keep up their Post organizations and to retain their charters.

The most flourishing Posts are those which have that noble auxiliary, the W. R. C., and to the inspiring influence of these earnest women, and to their substantial aid and assistance, is due the credit, quite often, for the efficiency, activity and often the very life of many Posts.

Our Comrades in the older and more thickly populated States—in towns and cities and portions of the country reached by steam and electric lines, or having well constructed and well kept wagon roads, cannot realize the difficulties encountered, the heroic sacrifices made and the patriotic spirit shown by a very large proportion of the Comrades of this Department,—particularly members of Posts in sparsely settled portions of the State,—in attending Post meetings and in keeping up their organizations. In many instances Comrades go ten to fifteen miles, often on foot, through heavy forests, through the mud and slush and snows of winter, to attend Post meeting. In at least one instance that is reported, a Post Commander, fully three score and ten years of age, went upwards

of fifteen miles, on foot, through the storms and severe cold of winter, to attend the meeting of his Post, and is said to have never missed a meeting of his Post during his term of office. Such devotion to duty and such patriotism merits special mention.

We have one small Post in Alaska, at Juneau, "William H. Seward No. 36." There are, however, hundreds of veterans in Nome, the Klondike and other portions of Alaska; these, with that true spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty which lives in the breast of every man who wore the blue, faithfully look after the sick and needy Comrades in their midst, bury their dead with "Old Glory" draped coffins, and annually come together on each recurring Memorial Day and observe its solemn and sacred services.

Could the future historian of the Grand Army of the Republic pen a faithful history of our noble organization and of its work he would have to accord to this Department the grandest record of all the Departments of the United States for devotion to and sacrifice for the principles for which it stands and which it so faithfully teaches and practices—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

In closing, permit me a suggestion: In my opinion these "inspections" of Posts and reports of same are, as a rule, merely perfunctory and often unreliable as a source of information. The really important information obtained is so thoroughly covered in the reports of the Post Adjutants and Post Quartermasters, and by the Assistant Adjutant Generals and Assistant Quartermasters collated and reported to national headquarters, that I believe it would be well to strike from the Rules and Regulations all requirements of Post inspections and reports of same, and I respectfully recommend such amendment to the Rules and Regulations.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

HENRY C. OLNEY, Department Inspector.

Department Washington and Alaska.

It was then moved, and carried unanimously, that said report be accepted and placed on file and ordered printed in the Journal.

The report of the Committee on Patriotic Instruction was then read by the Chairman, Comrade Rev. C. D. Spencer, of No. 82.

To the Dept. Commander of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.:

The Committee on Patriotic Instruction in Our Public Schools submit the following report through you to the 20th Encampment.

One of the main things to be taught by the G. A. R. (when founded) was Love of Country and Old Glory. The G. A. R. made the reasonable demand that the histories used in our schools should teach that the Civil War was not a mere sectional struggle, but a

war for the preservation of the Union; that the national government directed it, to preserve its own existence. Thus was begun the greatest war in modern history. It was no struggle for territory or military supremacy. The life of the Union was at stake. The question to be decided was: Shall there be one or two republics on the soil of the United States; shall States be suffered to leave the Union at will, or shall the United States continue to exist as an indestructible Union of indestructible States? President Lincoln said both parties deprecated war, but one of them would make war rather than let the nation survive, and the other would accept war rather than let it perish.

MUCH PROGRESS IN PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCE—THE CELEBRATION OF MEMORIAL DAY, WHICH IS NOW NATIONAL.

The Sunday before Memorial Day has become more and more devoted to religious services that honor the memory of our patriotic dead. Never in the history of this country has there been such high respect shown for the Stars and Stripes at home and abroad, such display on public and private buildings, as at the present time. No event of public moment seems complete without the use of our flag. We are glad that the Confederates lived long enough to fight under the Stars and Stripes in behalf of human rights. In some of our States the national flag flies over our public schools by legal enactment. Should not the teachings to the pupils of the schools be in harmony with the honor of the flag that flies above? We believe we have a right to ask that in all the public schools under the protection of our flag the scholars be taught only those facts that will encourage them in loyal devotion to our—One Country, One Flag and One Language. The necessity of patriotic teaching is, if possible, more important today than in the early history of our country. We are now a great world power, and the destiny of the human race is in the future to be largely guided by the influence exerted by this government. This should be impressed upon the rising generation, and the memory of the flag of our country floating over the school house and songs breathing patriotic devotion within its walls and the speeches of the G. A. R. boys are grand helps in the right direction. Last week at our Lewis County reunion Prof. Westindorf said that when Joe Hooker Post No. 25 was first organized the Reform School received valuable help by their visits, talks and patriotic literature given to the boys, and when the Spanish-American war broke out twenty-three of the boys went to that war, which the professor believed to be the result of the G. A. R. boys' influence on the pupils of our State

Reform School. Hence the great importance of patriotic instruction in all our public schools.

In our Department of Washington and Alaska we have 2,148 school houses, with about 100,000 pupils, and a law in this State that the Stars and Stripes shall wave over all. And I find that most of our G. A. R. Posts appointed committees to visit the public schools in this Department. I also find that some of the committees did not know what was required of them. In answer to this I advised them to give a talk of their own experience in the war of the '60s, or of our generals, presidents, Old Glory, or love of country, for I am not aware of any set line of talk to be given by our Comrades at the public schools, any more than what is suggested by the appointment of your committee, namely, patriotic instruction in our public schools.

I found valuable help in our State Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Hon. R. B. Bryan, Olympia, Wash. He reports that this State of Washington has 2,148 school houses, with about 100,000 pupils, and 2,800 pupils in business and denominational schools, making a grand total of 102,800 pupils, and patriotic instruction in all these schools, by the statute of Washington, is a guarantee to the old soldiers that our sons and daughters have highly resolved that these dead have not died in vain; that this nation (under God) shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people by the people for the people shall not perish from the earth.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

E. W. ELIOT, Post No. 4,  
A. D. ROGERS, Post No. 5,  
C. H. HOLMES, Post No. 6,  
J. S. GRAVES, Post No. 8,  
E. N. FRIEND, Post No. 9,  
J. B. HEWITT, Post No. 10,  
W. N. WESTFIELD, Post No. 11,  
J. H. COFFMAN, Post No. 17,  
J. C. WALLACE, Post No. 18,  
J. C. TYLER, Post No. 23,  
H. B. WILLIAMS, Post No. 24,  
LYMAN E. KNAPP, Post No. 31,  
R. A. WAKEFIELD, Post No. 44,  
ELIAS MORRISON, Post No. 47,  
M. H. TURNER, Post No. 52,  
W. H. LACY, Post No. 53

L. C. COLLENDER, Post No. 54,  
 C. R. ROBINSON, Post No. 63,  
 J. J. SEE, Post No. 68,  
 J. S. BROWN, Post No. 69,  
 C. D. SPENCER, Post No. 82, Chairman,  
 A. F. BAIRD, Post No. 84,  
 C. T. PATTERSON, Post No. 87,  
 JOHN TYLOR, Post No. 103,  
 Committee on Patriotic Instruction.

On motion the report was accepted, placed on file and ordered printed in the Journal.

It was moved by Comrade S. F. Street of No. 1 that all resolutions be made in writing and submitted to the Committee on Resolutions without debate, before the Encampment takes any action thereon. Carried unanimously.

A recess was then taken till 2 p. m.

Encampment reconvened at 2 p. m., Department Commander Harry A. Bigelow presiding.

The Committee on Rules then made the following report:

#### SECOND DAY.

Reports of Committees.  
 Election of Officers, 11 a. m.  
 New Business.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The hour set apart for the Good of the Order.

In all balloting the Post Commander or Chairman of delegation shall collect the ballots of his Post, and on call of Post by A. A. G. announce the result.

3:30 p. m., recess for parade.

Installation.

GEO. W. TIBBETTS,  
 G. H. BOARDMAN,  
 W. H. WISCOMBE,  
 J. T. SHERFEY,  
 R. H. BALL,

Committee.

On motion said report was adopted unanimously:

Report of Women's Relief corps was then read by Assistant Adjutant General Cole, as follows:

REPORT TO DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

Everett, Wash., June 24, 1902.

Col. H. A. Bigelow, Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic:

The 17th Department convention of the Women's Relief Corps extends greetings to you, and through you to the 20th Department convention now assembled. I wish to thank the Department Commander and Adjutant for the many courtesies extended this Department the past year.

Herewith is a summary of the work of the year just ended:

Expended for Relief .....	\$ 366.78
Turned over to Post .....	479.95
Estimated value other than money .....	628.98
Southern Memorial Day Fund .....	19.80
Andersonville Prison Fund .....	13.19
McKinley Memorial Fund .....	28.15
National W. R. C. Home Fund.....	10.00

Total amount expended .....	\$1,546.85
Number of soldiers assisted .....	80
Number in soldiers' families assisted.....	266
Number of members assisted .....	41
Number in members' families assisted.....	91
Total gain in membership .....	180

I wish to assure you that the Women's Relief Corps are ever ready to assist the Grand Army in its noble work of caring for the soldiers and their families.

Yours loyally, in F., C. and L.,

JENNIE WISCOMBE, Department President.

On motion said report was accepted, placed on file and ordered printed in the Journal.

The Department Commander then appointed Past Department Commander B. R. Freeman of No. 47, Comrade C. D. Spencer of No. 82, and Comrade A. P. Waterhouse of No. 107 as a committee to visit the Ladies' Relief Corps, and on motion Past Department Commander S. G. Cosgrove was added to the committee.

Nomination of places for holding next Encampment being next in order, Comrade Chas. R. Conner of No. 8 in an eloquent speech nominated the city of Spokane on behalf of Posts Nos. 8 and 47.

Comrade C. P. S. Roberts of No. 63, on behalf of the post, nominated the city of Aberdeen.

Numerous Comrades on behalf of various Posts seconded the nominations of both places.

Nominations being closed and a rising vote being called for, the result was announced as 104 in favor of Spokane and 64 for Aberdeen, and on motion the selection of Spokane was made unanimous.

The following letter from Gen. T. M. Anderson of Post No. 2 was then read by the A. A. G.:

State Soldiers' Home, Erie Co., O., June 4, 1902.  
General Harry A. Bigelow, Department Commander, Washington  
and Alaska, G. A. R.:

My Dear Comrade and Commander—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your General Order No. 10. It would give me great pleasure to attend your annual Encampment at Everett. In the twelve years that I have lived in Washington I learned to love the State and respect the people, but above all I learned to honor the loyal and devoted patriotism of my Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic. I will never forget how they gave me their sympathy and assistance when the regiment under my command was called out on several occasions to sustain the civil authorities. I recognize the fact that it was largely their influence given to the side of law and order that made a resort to extreme measures unnecessary.

Although a soldier I have always had the sentiments of a citizen, and I have always found in the Grand Army an appreciation of the double responsibility imposed upon one who is both a citizen and soldier. Please assure my Comrades of Washington and Alaska that I am still their Comrade, in full sympathy with their patriotic aspirations.

Cordially yours in F., C. and L.,

THOMAS M. ANDERSON.

Also the following letter from Adjutant General S. H. Towler:

Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic.  
Office of Adjutant General.  
Minneapolis, Minn., Feb. 15, 1902.

A. Melvin Cole, A. A. G., Seattle, Wash:

Dear Comrade—In reply to yours of Feb. 11th. On the score of economy the National Council of Administration authorized the publication of 4,000 copies only of the Journal of the 35th National Encampment. They were distributed to the Departments on the basis of one for every 80 members. It is possible after the necessary demands have been met, falling upon these headquarters, there

may be a few copies left, and I may be able to accommodate you with a small number. Is it not possible that all the Posts in your Department will not care for a copy? The distribution was made from St. Louis, but the basis was approved by Commander-in-Chief Torrance. The National Council of Administration felt that a large number of the Journals were wasted, and on the source of economy took the action they did. With kindest regards, I am,

Yours in F., C. and L.,  
S. H. TOWLER, Adjutant General.

On motion of Comrade S. G. Cosgrove of No. 22 the Journals of the National Encampment therein referred to were ordered distributed at the discretion of the incoming and outgoing Assistant Adjutant Generals of this Encampment.

The Committee on Department Commander's Address then made the following report:

Everett, Wash., June 24, 1902.

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

We commend to the careful consideration of the Comrades the sentiments and patriotism 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 regards to Commander Harry A. Bigelow.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,  
W. H. MOCK, Post No. 48,  
G. W. NEASE, Post No. 100,  
ALLISON ALLEN, Post No. 72,  
Committee.

On motion the report of the committee was adopted, placed on file and ordered printed in the Journal.

Comrade A. P. Clayton of Post No. 105, on behalf of Post 104, invited the Comrades to go to a seven days' reunion to be held at Chelan, commencing on the Fourth of July.

A roll of States was then called and showed members present who had served from the several States, as follows:

Connecticut . . . . .	2	Missouri . . . . .	6
California . . . . .	1	New Hampshire . . . . .	1
Illinois . . . . .	28	New Jersey . . . . .	4
Indiana . . . . .	12	New York . . . . .	13
Iowa . . . . .	14	Ohio . . . . .	10
Kansas . . . . .	3	Oregon . . . . .	1

Maine .....	10	Pennsylvania .....	6
Maryland .....	1	South Dakota .....	1
Massachusetts .....	3	Vermont .....	1
Michigan .....	14	West Virginia .....	2
Minnesota .....	14	Wisconsin .....	29

On motion the Encampment then adjourned till 10 o'clock tomorrow.

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 1902.

Encampment called to order at 10 o'clock a. m. by Department Commander Harry A. Bigelow, and was opened by prayer by Chaplain Rev. W. H. Mock.

A committee from the Ladies' Relief Corps was then announced at the outpost, and Comrades W. H. Mock, L. T. Dodge and F. M. Davis were appointed by the Department Commander as a committee to escort the ladies into the hall, which they did, the Comrades being brought to attention and standing at salute until the ladies were seated on the rostrum, after which the ladies, viz., Mrs. B. R. Freeman, Mrs. Webster and Mrs. Madison, addressed the Encampment in eloquent and feeling terms, assuring the Comrades of the sympathy and loyalty of the organization they represented towards the survivors of the Union armies and pledging their earnest endeavors in aid and support of the Grand Army and of the widows and orphans of the veterans. The speeches were responded to in eloquent terms by Department Commander Harry A. Bigelow and by Past National Junior Vice Commander S. G. Cosgrove, after which, amid three rousing cheers and the presentation of badges by the Assistant Adjutant General to each of the ladies, they were escorted from the hall.

The committee on the Assistant Adjutant General's report then made the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.  
Everett, Wash., June 24, 1902.

Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.—We, the Committee on Report of Assistant Adjutant General, respectfully approve the report as read, and the report a model of excellency.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

W. J. ALEXANDER,  
W. S. PEACOCK,  
WM. M'KENZIE,  
Committee.

A verbal report was then made by Past Department Commander B. R. Freeman, on behalf of the committee appointed to visit the Ladies' Relief Corps, which was unanimously adopted and committee discharged.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was then read by Comrade Chas. R. Conner of Post No. 8, as follows:

Everett, Wash., June 25, 1902.

To Harry A. Bigelow, Commander of Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, and Comrades:

We, your Committee on Resolutions, beg leave to report as follows:

Resolved, That we commend the recent action of the President in stating that he proposes to enforce in future the Federal Statutes which declare that in the matter of appointments in the civil service, all else being equal, soldiers of the Civil War shall be preferred.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Department, Grand Army of the Republic, are hereby tendered to all railroad companies and other transportation companies for reduction in fares to and from the city of Everett, Washington, which facilitated the large attendance upon this Encampment.

Resolved, That we extend our most heartfelt thanks to the Mayor and Common Council of the city of Everett, and to its loyal and patriotic citizens for their hospitable entertainment during its 20th Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic.

Resolved, That we return our sincere thanks to Department Commander Bigelow and his able and efficient staff for the management of the affairs of this Department for the past year.

CHAS. R. CONNER,  
C. D. SPENCER,  
F. M. DAVIS,  
JNO. E. RISEDORPH,  
B. C. BEDELL,

Committee.

Past Department Commander M. M. Holmes of Post No. 1 offered the following as an amendment to the report:

Resolved, That the Department Commander be instructed to call the attention of the Comrades in General Orders to the Soldiers' Relief Law and the necessity of strict compliance with the provisions of the same by Posts, and that all Comrades and

Commanders be urged to exercise a careful supervision over this fund, to the end that it may not be injudiciously or extravagantly expended.

After some discussion Comrade C. R. Conner of Post No. 8 moved that the resolutions as reported by the committee be accepted and made a part of the record of this Encampment, and a rising vote having been taken, it was declared carried unanimously.

A committee of the Sons of Veterans consisting of A. T. Bedell of Walla Walla, Charles Connor, Charles Morgan, Charles Goldthorp and E. G. Kreider were then announced at the outpost and were escorted to the rostrum with due honors, where each of the members made telling and loyal speeches, which were responded to by Department Chaplain Rev. W. H. Mock on behalf of the Encampment, and after the presentation of Encampment badges to each one by the Assistant Adjutant General they were escorted from the hall amid the cheers of the assembled Comrades.

#### ROLL OF ENCAMPMENT.

The roll of the Encampment was then called by Assistant Adjutant General Cole.

The Encampment then adjourned till 1:30 p. m.

Wednesday, June 25, at 1:30 p. m.

Encampment called to order at 1:30 p. m., Department Commander Harry A. Bigelow presiding.

A telegram of regret was read from Senior Vice Commander S. T. Armstrong of Post No. 44 on account of his unavoidable absence, and conveying greetings to the Encampment.

On motion of Comrade C. R. Conner of Post No. 8 the following resolution was carried unanimously:

To the 20th Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska:

Resolved, That Comrade J. G. Gundlach, of Reno Post No. 47, Spokane, be endorsed as Trumpeter of this Department, and Comrade Capt. Joe Dickerson, of Miller Post No. 31, be made Color Bearer of this Department.

W. H. WISCOMBE.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing term being next in order, Comrade S. G. Cosgrove of Post No. 22 placed in nomination for Department Commander Comrade George H. Boardman of Custer Post No. 6, which nomination was seconded by Comrade J. M.

Comstock of No. 8, W. H. Wiscombe of No. 47, A. P. Clayton of No. 105, Joseph Packard of No. 73, Almon Woodworth of No. 6, C. D. Spencer of No. 82 and others.

Comrade E. W. Eliot of Post No. 4 of Walla Walla placed in nomination Comrade B. C. Bedell of that Post, which nomination was also seconded by numerous Comrades.

Comrade E. J. Knapp of No. 68 placed in nomination Comrade R. H. Ball of No. 18 of La Conner, which nomination was also numerously seconded.

Comrade R. Osborn of Post No. 31 placed in nomination Comrade D. F. Decatur of Post No. 41, but Comrade Decatur declined the nomination and seconded the nomination of Comrade R. H. Ball.

After the second ballot, on motion the lowest candidate, R. H. Ball, was dropped from the list, and on the third ballot Comrade Geo. H. Boardman withdrew and moved the unanimous vote of the Encampment be cast by the Assistant Adjutant General for Comrade B. C. Bedell, which being done, Comrade B. C. Bedell was declared duly elected Department Commander for the ensuing term, and being called upon made a short speech, expressing his thanks to the Comrades present for the honor conferred upon him.

Nominations for Senior Vice Commander being next in order, Comrade S. F. Street of Post No. 1 placed in nomination for that office Comrade J. T. Sherfey of Post No. 89 of Everett, and there being no further nominations, on motion the Assistant Adjutant General cast the vote of the Encampment for Comrade J. T. Sherfey for Senior Vice Commander, and he was declared duly elected to that office by the Department Commander.

For the office of Junior Vice Commander the following Comrades were placed in nomination: Comrade John A. Green of No. 104, Comrade C. P. L. Roberts of Post No. 63, Comrade Nat Yates of No. 9, Comrade M. R. Brewster of No. 110, Comrade W. S. Peacock of No. 80.

After some discussion and the withdrawal of other candidates, the Assistant Adjutant General was instructed to cast the ballot of the Encampment for M. R. Brewster for Junior Vice Commander. He was declared unanimously elected to the office of Junior Vice Commander.

Comrade M. M. Holmes of No. 1 nominated Comrade R. M. Davis of the same Post for Medical Director, and Comrade Davis was duly elected to that office by acclamation.

In the same manner Comrade W. H. Mock was elected Department Chaplain.

The following Council of Administration was elected in like manner: W. H. Wiscombe of No. 47, J. M. Comstock of No. 8,

C. P. L. Roberts of No. 63, Abraham Garl of No. 97, and John E. Risedorph of No. 1.

The following Comrades were then elected by acclamation as Delegates to the National Encampment:

R. H. Ball of No. 18, at large; R. W. Williams of No. 35, Robert McMann of No. 1, C. B. Dunning of No. 8; and Gen. T. M. Anderson was elected Alternate at Large, together with L. H. Prather of No. 8, W. S. Peacock of No. 80, and John A. Green of No. 104 as Alternates.

On motion the sum of \$15 was allowed Comrade Wm. Markham, A. A. A. G., for services in taking stenographic report of the Encampment.

Encampment then adjourned till 7 p. m.

Wednesday, June 25, at 7 p. m.

Encampment reconvened at 7:30 p. m., Commander Harry A. Bigelow in the chair.

The Department Commander appointed Past National Junior Vice Commander S. G. Cosgrove of Post No. 22 to install the following named officers for the ensuing term:

Department Commander, B. C. Bedell of Post No. 4, Walla Walla.

Senior Vice Commander, J. T. Sherfey of Post No. 89, Everett.

Junior Vice Commander, M. R. Brewster of Post No. 110, Bremerton.

Department Chaplain, Rev. W. H. Mock of Post No. 48, Port Angeles.

Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, E. W. Eliot of Post No. 4, Walla Walla.

On motion the Encampment then adjourned sine die.

*H. H. Nelson*  
A. Q. M. G.



## APPENDIX.

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic.

Seattle, Wash., June 29, 1901,

### General Orders No. 1.

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, Collias 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 Department of Washington and Alaska.  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
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.

Robert 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 Huston.....No. 6, Tacoma, Wash.

Chief Mustering Officer

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

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 Aide-de-Camp on Department Commander Staff.

VI. Comrades of the Department and Delegates to the National Encampment are reminded that the Thirty-fifth National Encampment 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.

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
Seattle, Wash., August 15, 1901.

General Orders No. 3.

I. The Thirty-fifth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, September 9-14, 1901. Department Headquarters will be established at Hollenden Hotel; all Department Officers and Delegates will report immediately, upon their arrival in the city, at Headquarters to Assistant Adjutant General, who will issue them their delegate badges and such special orders as the Department Commander may deem

necessary. All Comrades should report at Headquarters and register; they will receive a warm welcome and otherwise make themselves at home.

II. The Department Commander extends to all Comrades and their friends, and especially to the organizations allied to us by ties fraternal, to join him upon headquarter's train, if practical for them to do so without increasing expense to them. The Department headquarters of the Woman's Relief Corps have signified their intention to join this train at Spokane.

III. The parade of the Grand Army of the Republic will take place on Wednesday, September 11, 1901, and will start promptly at ten o'clock A. M. The route of the parade is reported to have been laid out for a march not exceeding two miles, and over streets that will be pleasant to the marchers.

IV. No arrangements will be made for return, but each one can take any of the regular trains from Cleveland having the privileges of extension and stop-over.

V. The Department Commander would especially impress upon every Officer and Comrade the duty of seeing that every worthy suspended and dropped member is reinstated, and every worthy soldier and sailor that has never belonged is mustered. Allow no one to remain out of our ranks on account of inability to pay dues.

VI. Post Commander, attention is called again to forward to these Headquarters the name of a Comrade of their respective Posts for appointment as Aide-de-Camp upon the staff of the Department Commander. Also the name of a Comrade who is active in Grand Army work for appointment as Assistant Inspector.

VII. Information is desired as to Comrade Henry L. Johnson, discharged as Second Lieutenant Co. E, 23d Michigan Infantry, his age 67 years, and his Pension Certificate No. 535353. Address J. M. Griffith, Adjt. Post No. 24, G. A. R., Whatcom, Wash.

By command of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,  
Department Commander.

Official:

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

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
 Grand Army of the Republic,  
 Seattle, Wash., August 27, 1901.

General Orders No. 4.

I. The Headquarter's train—conveying the Department Commander and Staff and Comrades of the Grand Army, also President and Staff and members of the Woman's Relief Corps—will leave Seattle via Northern Pacific Railroad September 4, at 7:45 o'clock a. m., then via Great Western Railroad to Chicago, then via Lake Shore Railroad to Cleveland. A special sleeping car for the use of members in the party will be attached to the train.

II. The Headquarters of the Woman's Relief Corps will be located with Department Headquarters at the Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland.

III. General Orders No. 7 from National Headquarters are promulgated with this Order for your information and guidance at Cleveland.

IV. The following named Comrades, on the recommendation of Post Commanders, have been selected as Aides-de-Camp upon the Staff of the Department Commander in upbuilding and strengthening the Posts in their neighborhood. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

AIDES-DE-CAMP.

John E. Risedorph .....	Post No. 1.
Joseph Enterkine .....	Post No. 2.
Fred S. Killman .....	Post No. 5.
John L. Corner .....	Post No. 16.
Robert Moore .....	Post No. 18.
E. W. Pike .....	Post No. 20.
Wm. Wright .....	Post No. 44.
W. H. Wiscombe .....	Post No. 47.
Spencer Hanley .....	Post No. 56.
J. M. Birmingham .....	Post No. 63.
John J. Lee .....	Post No. 68.
L. H. Coon .....	Post No. 89.
David Patchin .....	Post No. 95.

By command of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,  
 Department Commander.

Official:

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

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
Seattle, Wash., September 27, 1901.

General Order No. 5.

I. The following additional appointments on the Staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

William H. Markham ..... Post No. 8.  
P. McDowell ..... Post No. 23.  
Abraham Garl ..... Post No. 97.  
Chas. W. Kyle ..... Post No. 99.

II. The Inspection of Posts must, in accordance with Rules and Regulations, take place between September 1st and December 31st, 1901. Blanks for such inspection will be sent to Adjutants of Posts, who will see that they are placed in the hands of Post Inspectors appointed.

III. The reports of the Inspection will be forwarded to the Department Inspector, Comrade Henry C. Olney, Spokane, Wash., in the addressed envelopes sent with the blanks for the reports.

IV. The Department Commander has noted with regret that only two-thirds of the Post Commanders of this Department, for 1901, has complied with Sec. 6 of G. O. No. 3, C. S., from these Headquarters.

V. Therefore the Department Commander has deemed it best to proceed according to his own best judgment, from personal acquaintance and perusal of the records, and appoint such Assistant Inspectors as he believes will earnestly endeavor to advance the best interests of the Grand Army of this Department.

VI. The following Comrades have been appointed Assistant Inspectors, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Post No.	Assistant Inspectors.	Post No.	Assistant Inspectors.
1.	J. M. Wiestling.	11.	F. M. McCandless.
2.	J. D. Flick.	12.	Levi Summers.
3.	J. K. Rainwater.	13.	W. H. H. Bebee.
4.	W. H. Embree.	14.	F. A. Boyer.
5.	Chas. Wilcox.	15.	Wm. B. West.
6.	D. G. Lovell.	16.	J. N. Dicus.
7.	C. Wilcox.	17.	C. W. Stewart.
8.	J. N. Koontz.	18.	Isaac Chilberg.
9.	W. M. Badger.	19.	Chas. Vansonan.
10.	M. W. Packard.	20.	J. A. Stout.

Post No.	Assistant Inspectors.	Post No.	Assistant Inspectors.
22.	John Mitchell.	68.	John Argus.
23.	S. G. Gruhh.	69.	John Cooper.
24.	J. P. Fancy.	70.	Wm. Richmond.
25.	W. H. Mossman.	71.	W. E. Gove.
29.	M. T. Merrill.	72.	John Tull.
31.	Lyman Banks.	73.	Geo. Myers.
32.	A. L. Smith.	74.	J. L. Blair.
34.	D. F. Anderson.	75.	J. M. Fish.
35.	John Moore.	76.	H. N. Joy.
36.	Silas Gibson.	80.	John Atkinson.
37.	J. W. King.	81.	M. A. Halcomb.
39.	Benj. King.	82.	W. F. Reeves.
41.	C. Denman.	83.	Joseph Strong.
42.	C. M. Maltby.	84.	C. M. Bartlett.
44.	Joseph Ford.	87.	J. E. Hartshorn.
45.	M. I. Young.	88.	A. J. Bancroft.
46.	L. Root.	89.	P. W. Gallup.
47.	H. C. Olney.	90.	F. M. Munson.
48.	P. B. Chambers.	92.	Chas. Eaton.
49.	M. H. Handy.	93.	J. H. Fane.
51.	W. H. White.	94.	Thomas Stewart.
52.	W. F. Crawford.	95.	John Broyles.
53.	W. H. Lacy.	96.	Allen Day.
54.	W. L. C. Atkinson.	97.	Martin Gillespie.
55.	B. F. Brown.	98.	D. J. Zent.
56.	John Broyles.	99.	I. F. Dollarnyde.
57.	A. S. Christman.	100.	James Berridge.
59.	A. B. Hart.	101.	Michael Anderson.
60.	Geo. P. Amily.	102.	D. D. Burnham.
62.	F. P. Connell.	103.	Frank S. Berry.
63.	C. P. L. Roberts.	104.	John C. Kindler.
64.	James Ferguson.	105.	J. W. Ferguson.
66.	P. D. Hopkinson.		

VII. This announcement is authority for the Assistant Inspectors to proceed with their duties without further notice and arrange dates with Post Commanders for said inspection. The Form of Inspection as laid down in the Service Book must be strictly followed.

VIII. Under the Rules and Regulations no Post Officers can be installed until such inspection has been made. These inspections are expected to be thorough and must be completed by December

20th, and in all cases Reports must be made out on the inspection blanks, which will be forwarded.

IX. The Department Commander has the sad duty to announce the death of a member of the Council of Administration, Comrade D. L. Fordney, of this Department, and a member of L. P. Plummer Post, No. 95, New Whatcom; died near Fremont, a suburb of Seattle, at about 6 o'clock p. m., Tuesday, September 17th, 1901. He had been visiting the seminary at Ross and was on his way to his home, Twenty-fifth avenue, when a sudden illness, presumably heart disease, caused his death.

X. While Comrade Fordney was an accomplished soldier, a thorough gentleman and a faithful friend, and we who were his associates in life realize that a shining light of Plummer Post and an honored member of the Department has departed from our midst to the unknown shores of that land where peaceful rest and sunshine are perpetual.

XI. As a mark of respect for our departed Comrade, our Department and Post Officers will for thirty days from date of this Order wear the usual badge of mourning and the Charter of each Post will be draped in mourning.

By command of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,

Department Commander.

Official:

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

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
General Orders No. 6. Seattle, Wash., Nov. 11, 1901.

I. The Department Commander congratulates Post Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters in forwarding their semi-annual reports. Every Adjutant and Quartermaster's report in the Department was received at headquarters before the 1st day of October. The fact remains, however, that this has only been attained by the persistent work of the Assistant Adjutant General. In many instances from three to five letters have been written before the information sought was obtained.

II. Appointments of Aide-de-camps on the staff of the Department, Assistant Inspectors and members of the Board of Patriotic Instruction are hereby announced. They will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

**Aide-de-Camps.**

Post No. 4. Chas. Besserer.	Post No. 13. John Chalmers.
Post No. 6. C. H. Wilson.	Post No. 15. J. B. McMillian.
Post No. 7. Robt. Danihy.	Post No. 17. J. W. Sales.
Post No. 9. E. N. Friend.	Post No. 31. F. M. Davis.
Post No. 10. Albert Catlin.	Post No. 45. T. N. Ogle.
Post No. 11. Geo. Davis.	Post No. 103. S. B. Wright.
Post No. 12. Jas. Smith.	

**Assistant Inspectors.**

Post No. 4. A. S. Harmon in place of W. H. Embree.	Post No. 5. H. R. Hill in place of Chas. Wilcox.
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**Board Patriotic Instruction.**

A. H. Foot, Post 31, Chairman.

Post No. 4. E. W. Eliot.	Post No. 47. Elias Morrison
Post No. 5. A. D. Rodgers.	Post No. 52. M. H. Turner.
Post No. 6. C. H. Holmes.	Post No. 53. W. H. Lacy.
Post No. 8. J. S. Graves.	Post No. 54. L. C. Callender.
Post No. 9. E. N. Friend.	Post No. 63. C. R. Robinson.
Post No. 10. J. B. Hewitt.	Post No. 68. J. J. See.
Post No. 11. W. N. Westfield.	Post No. 69. J. S. Brown.
Post No. 17. J. H. Coffman.	Post No. 82. C. D. Spencer.
Post No. 18. J. C. Wallace.	Post No. 84. A. F. Baird.
Post No. 23. J. C. Tylor.	Post No. 87. C. T. Patterson.
Post No. 24. H. B. Williams.	Post No. 103. John Taylor.
Post No. 44. R. A. Wakefield.	

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

III. As the time is near at hand for the annual election of officers of the Posts and representatives and alternates to the next Department Encampment. And in accordance with the rules and regulations, will be held at the first stated meeting in December. Attention is called at this time to this duty. Chapter V., Article 4, Section 1, Rules and Regulations, read 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.

IV. The basis of representation to the Department Encampment is one representative and one alternate for each twenty members or a major fraction thereof in good standing, June 30th, 1901. But each Post in good standing is entitled to at least one representative and one alternate whatever its membership. Elections are by ballot unless ballot is dispensed with by unanimous consent.

V. Blank credentials for Comrades elected to represent the Posts in the Department Encampment for the year 1902 are herewith enclosed. One copy must be sent to these Headquarters immediately after election. The list is needed at the earliest possible moment to give ample time to make up the roll of the next Encampment.

VI. Post Commanders must see that the inspection is made and reports of the Inspector forwarded to the Department Inspector, Comrade Henry C. Olney, Spokane, Wash., within thirty days. Blank reports and addressed envelopes have already been sent to Posts.

VII. The installation of Post officers will take place at the first stated meeting of the Post in January, 1902. The Past Senior Post Commander or any Department officer or member of the Department staff who may be present will act as installing officer.

VIII. Installing officers will ascertain if the Post has been inspected and if Reports and dues have been forwarded to Department Headquarters in compliance with the Rules and Regulations before proceeding with the installation; otherwise he will refuse to proceed with the installation until the Post has been inspected and all reports and dues transmitted to Department Headquarters.

IX. The Post Surgeon's Report, which now has to be made yearly and should be forwarded as soon after December 31st as possible to the Medical Director, J. L. Smith, Spokane, Wash. Also blanks for the installing officer. One copy should be forwarded to Department Headquarters soon after installation as possible that the Roster of the Department may be made up.

X. Blanks will be forwarded with this Order for the annual reports of Post Chaplains. These officers are to make careful and complete reports, and forward the same promptly—Chaplain's reports to the Department Chaplain, Comrade W. H. Mock, Port Angeles, Washington. This duty should not be neglected, for the Department officer cannot compile his records and make his returns unless full and complete reports are received from the several Posts of the Department.

XI. Forms A and B, consolidated (reports of Adjutants and Quartermasters) Commanders, Adjutants and Quartermasters should not need to be reminded again of the necessity of forwarding these reports with the per capita tax of twenty cents for each member in good standing as soon as possible after the last meeting

in December. Blanks for these reports will be sent in due time. The semi-annual returns of the Department must be consolidated and such consolidated report made to the National Headquarters within twenty days after January 1st, 1902.

XII. The Department Commander takes pleasure in announcing the reorganization of E. M. Stanton Post No. 86, at Arlington, Washington, former meeting place, Haller City, Wash. He bespeaks for this Post a fraternal welcome to the Department.

By order of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,

Department Commander.

Official:

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

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
Seattle, Wash., Dec. 3, 1901.

General Orders No. 7.

I. Enclosed find Circular Letter No. 1, from National Headquarters. It calls for contributions from Posts and Comrades of money for the erection of a monument at Canton, Ohio, in commemoration of our late Comrade, William McKinley.

II. That there be no mistakes made in the transmission and proper credits to the donors, as well as to make sure that the Department of Washington and Alaska gets credit for the full amount of its subscription to this fund, Posts and Comrades are advised to send all such subscriptions direct to A. Melvin Cole, Assistant Quartermaster General, Seattle, Wash.

III. A book will be opened at once at these Headquarters in which will be entered the credit in the name of post or individual and the whole reported to the Department Encampment in 1902. A receipt will be sent immediately for each subscription and the stub of the same with the general account with the fund will be preserved at Department Headquarters.

IV. The money so received will be transmitted by Assistant Quartermaster General Cole to the Treasurer of the General Monument Committee, whose official receipt for the same will be a part of the report of the Assistant Quartermaster General at our next Department Encampment.

V. By complying with these suggestions it is plain to see that this Department will get full credit for its whole subscription to this laudable undertaking.

VI. While the Department Commander does not urge Posts or members of our Order to contribute to this fund, it is his duty to remind them that our illustrious President was also a comrade, that he was with us all through the united and victorious struggle for the Union and human liberty; that through the great war he represented the highest type of the American volunteer soldier; that this brave young comrade, having through the worth of his sturdy manhood risen from the humble walks of life to the exalted position of President of the greatest republic that ever existed, loved, honored and respected, not only by his own countrymen, but by all who recognize true manhood and lofty patriotism throughout the world—was while in the discharge of the social duties of his high office, mercilessly assassinated; and that it will be an honor for every member of the Grand Army of the Republic to have some part, however small, in the building of a monument to the memory of our beloved Comrade and martyred President.

VII. Blank forms "A and B," for the Adjutant and Quartermaster's reports for the six months ending December 31st, 1901, are transmitted with this Order. Adjutants and Quartermasters are hereby duly cautioned not to change or erase any figures in red ink they may find on the blanks sent from these Headquarters. The figures on blank returns in red ink indicate the returns as made to National Headquarters and nothing can change them. Beginning with these figures in red ink for the number of members in good standing last report, and balance in Post fund, make necessary corrections in the figures following to conform to the facts.

VIII. There is no reason whatever but what the prompt and highly gratifying manner in which the last semi-annual reports due June 30th, 1901, should not be repeated, demonstrating that although this Department may not equal many other Departments, yet responds with military precision to every call of duty.

IX. The Department Commander calls the attention of Post Commanders to the importance of having the reports of their Adjutants and Quartermasters made promptly. (This means that they should be made out immediately at the close of the last meeting in December.)

X. Care should be taken that the reports are correct and complete in every particular before they are mailed to the Assistant Adjutant General. Carefully read instructions on the blank forms and fill in all blank spaces. A strict observance of this request will prevent a return of reports for correction.

XI. Post Commanders are directed to compare the reports, see that they agree as to the number of members in good standing, and that the per capita tax is correctly computed before placing his signature to the report. When he knows it is correct, then mail report and per capita tax in the return envelope.

XII. Make remittance in postal or express money orders, payable to A. Melvin Cole, A. A. G. Postage stamps are not easily converted into money, and Comrades are respectfully requested not to transmit them as such.

XIII. National and Department Countersigns for 1902 will be sent every Post, as soon as reports and per capita tax for term are received at Department Headquarters.

By order of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,

Department Commander.

Official:

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

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
Seattle, Wash., March 10, 1902.

General Orders No. 8.

I. At the 19th Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska it was recommended and adopted by said Encampment that the Department Commander call the Council of Administration together on the second Wednesday of January, 1902, for the purpose of fixing the time for holding the 20th Annual Encampment and such other business as may be necessary.

II. In pursuance of said recommendation the Council of Administration were called to meet at Department Headquarters, G. A. R. Hall, Collins Block, Seattle, Wash., on the second Wednesday of January, 1902, at 12 o'clock noon, to fix the date for the meeting of the 20th Annual Department Encampment, also recommend a Comrade to fill the vacancy made by Comrade D. L. Fordney, deceased.

III. The Council of Administration has received official information from the local committee at Everett, where the Encampment will be held, that the fourth Tuesday, 24th of June, is the day they would like to have the Encampment meet on.

IV. By the approval of the Council of Administration, the City of Everett was confirmed as the place and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 24th, 25th and 26th was fixed as the time for the holding of the 20th Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic.

V. The Citizens' Committee and the Comrades of Everett promise to do all in their power to make the Encampment a great success, and the Department Commander earnestly requests all Comrades to attend. Additional details as to program, rates of fare, etc., will be given in subsequent General Orders.

VI. The Council of Administration confirms the appointment of Jno. E. Risedorph, of Stevens Post No. 1, G. A. R., to fill the vacancy in the Council caused by the death of Comrade D. L. Fordney.

VII. The Department Commander takes pleasure in announcing the organization of Wm. McKinley Post, No. 106, at Deer Park, Nov. 30, 1901, by Comrade D. C. Ely, with twelve charter members; of Wm. Hall Post, No. 107, at Granite Falls, January 18th, 1902, by Comrade A. P. Waterhouse, with ten charter members; of John Bothell Post, No. 108, at Bothell, January 28th, 1902, by Department Commander Harry A. Bigelow, with twelve charter members, and Captain Belden Spencer Post, No. 109, at Republic, Feb. 4th, 1902, by Comrade A. S. Farquharson, with eleven charter members. He bespeaks for the Comrades forming these Posts a most hearty and fraternal welcome.

VIII. The Department Roster of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., will be issued in a few days to all Posts. In preparing this edition of the Roster for 1902, we have made an earnest effort to get the data as nearly correct as possible. It may have occurred to some Comrades that we have been unnecessarily insistent. We trust the fact this has been done solely for the good of the Order will serve as our justification for what has been done to prepare and publish a reliable Roster of the Department.

IX. The resignation of Comrade A. H. Foote, Chairman Board Patriotic Instruction, is accepted, and Comrade C. D. Spencer, Post No. 82, Centralia, is hereby appointed Chairman of said Board. Comrade Lyman E. Knapp, of Post No. 31, is appointed a member of the Board of Patriotic Instruction.

By command of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,

Official:

Department Commander.

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

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
Seattle, Wash., April 29, 1902.

General Orders No. 9.

I. Attention is called to the following General Orders No. 3, C. S. National Headquarters, and the Department Commander trusts the Posts in this Department will respond promptly:

"The Commander-in-Chief requests generous contributions from all Posts and Comrades to aid the Department of the South in paying the annual tribute of love to our former Comrades who now rest in the various National Cemeteries. Flags and flowers should be placed on every Comrade's grave in memory of the heroic deeds and supreme sacrifices of this great army of noble dead. Department Commanders will call especial attention to the importance of a prompt and generous response to this request. Remittances may be sent to Silas H. Towler, Adjutant-General, G. A. R., Minneapolis, Minn., who will acknowledge receipt, make proper record thereof and transmit the amounts received to the Quartermaster-General for proper distribution."

II. The Department Commander takes pleasure in announcing the organization of Navy-yard Post No. 110, at Bremerton, Wash., on April 6, 1902, with 23 charter members. A most hearty welcome is extended to this Post, and its Comrades to their renewed obligations and duties.

III. Memorial Day, with its cherished and hallowed memories and associations, draws near apace. It is and should be a sacred day to all the loyal of this great country. General Orders No. 5, National Headquarters, are transmitted herewith, and set forth in clear and beautiful language the duties and obligations resting upon all Posts and Comrades, in connection with the observance of Friday, May, 30, as our Annual Memorial Day.

IV. Let every mound that marks the resting-place of a dead hero be garlanded with the choicest flowers of springtime, and the living who are assembled on these anniversary occasions be reminded that those beneath the sod have laid down their lives in defense of National life and honor.

V. Advise the public fully as to your plans for all commemorative exercises, whether in the schools, churches or general assemblies. Solicit their cordial co-operation in the organized effort to show that a grateful people remember and revere the courage and devotion to duty of the soldiers and sailors who sleep in our cemeteries-or upon the far-away fields of the South.

VI. Special invitations should be extended to the children of the public schools, the Women's Relief Corps, our patriotic auxiliary, and Ladies of the G. A. R. Let the service be in accord with the character of the day we commemorate.

VII. Post Commanders will see to it that the Memorial Day Committee make proper arrangements with the School Boards for patriotic exercises in the public schools on the Friday preceding Memorial Day, and that Comrades be detailed to visit each school, at an hour agreed upon, to conduct the services. Invite the members of your auxiliary to assist in these services, and where there are representatives of our Department of Patriotic Instructions consult with them in relation to programs, etc.

VIII. In accordance with established custom, every Post should attend divine service in a body on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day, and especially invite their auxiliary, the Women's Relief Corps, and Ladies of the G. A. R. to join them. President Lincoln's Gettysburg address is published herewith, and in accordance with the resolution of the 30th National Encampment, will be read at all Memorial Day exercises held under the auspices of the Grand Army of the Republic.

By command of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,

Department Commander.

Official:

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

## PRESIDENT LINCOLN'S ADDRESS AT GETTYSBURG.

November 19, 1863.

Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal. Now we are engaged in a great civil war; testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting-place for those who here gave their lives that that 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 poor power to add or detract. The world will 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 which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. 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 gave the last full measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain—that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom—and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
Seattle, Wash., May 24, 1902.

## General Orders No. 10.

I. Special Orders No. 1, from National Headquarters, is hereby promulgated to all the Posts and Comrades throughout the Department with this Order, viz.:

## Special Order No. 1.

II. Pursuant to a commendable custom established in many States of the Union and at the request of Allan C. Bakewell, Chief Aide in Charge of Military Instruction and Patriotic Education in schools, it is recommended that all members of the Grand Army of the Republic observe Saturday, June 14, 1902, the anniversary of

the birth of our Flag, by decorating their homes and places of business with the Stars and Stripes, the emblem of our Country, and encourage their neighbors to do the same.

III. Department Commanders will promulgate this Special Order without delay and add their influence with the press and all public officials to make the day honorable by reason of the special reverence and respect manifested by our fellow-citizens for the United States Flag.

IV. Blanks for Adjutant's and Quartermaster's Reports are transmitted with this Order. These Blanks should be filled out at the last Post meeting in June, and sent with the per capita tax of 20 cents for each member in good standing to the Assistant Adjutant-General (that will be appointed by the incoming Department Commander). Care in making these Reports and promptness in forwarding will save the incoming Administration much labor and avoid the necessity of reporting any Post delinquent.

V. The Twentieth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, and the Seventeenth Annual Convention of the Women's Relief Corps, also the Sons of Veterans, will be held at Everett, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 24th, 25th and 26th, 1902.

VI. Department Headquarters in Seattle will be closed June 21st and will be established at Monte Cristo Hotel, Monday morning, June 23d. The Assistant Quartermaster-General's books will be closed June 14th, in order that they may be balanced, and his report prepared. Posts wanting supplies must order before that date.

VII. The Council of Administration will meet at Headquarters, Monte Cristo Hotel, Monday, June 23d, at 2 o'clock p. m., for examination of Reports and closing up the business of the year. A Committee on Credentials is hereby appointed consisting of A. Melvin Cole, Assistant Adjutant-General, Past Department Commanders J. W. Langley, Post No. 31, Geo. W. Tibbetts, Post No. 1, J. S. Brown, Post No. 69, and B. R. Freeman, Post No. 47

VIII. The Committee will meet at Headquarters at 4 p. m. June 23d, and remain in session until it has concluded its work. Each Post Commander will report to this Committee the number of members present entitled to seats in the Encampment and receive their Badges. Members of the Encampment are requested to report promptly on arrival to the Committee on Credentials.

IX. Comrade E. C. Kilbourn, of Stevens Post, No. 1, Seattle, is hereby detailed as Officer of the Day. The Commander of Post No. 89, at Everett, will detail an Officer of the Guard and six sentinels for duty during the Business Sessions of the Encampment. They will report to the Assistant Adjutant-General, Tuesday morning, at 9 o'clock a. m. sharp, for orders.

X. Rates at the Monte Cristo Hotel during the Encampment will be \$2.00 per day. Rates of board and lodging will be furnished in due time by the General Committee to all who intend visiting Everett during the Encampment. All applications should be addressed to the Chairman or Secretary General Committee, No. 2004 Hewitt Avenue, Everett, Wash.

XI. The Encampment will meet at Central Opera House, Tuesday, June 24th, at 10 o'clock a. m. sharp, for transaction of business.

Women's Relief Corps will meet at Fraternal Hall, Room No. 1, at 10 o'clock sharp, for work. Sons of Veterans will hold their meetings at Fraternal Hall at 10 o'clock in Room No. 2. Registration Headquarters will be established at I. O. O. F. Hall, No. 2813 Wetmore Avenue.

XII. Department and Staff Officers are requested to forward copies of their reports to the Assistant Adjutant-General's office, at Seattle, before June 14th, so that the Department Commander may have knowledge of their work before closing his Annual Report.

XIII. The railroads and boats from all points in the State running to Everett have granted reduced rates as follows: One fare and a third for round trip on the Certificate plan. Purchasers will pay full fare going, taking receipt therefor, which receipt when endorsed at Everett by the Assistant Adjutant-General, will entitle the holder to purchase return ticket at one-third of one fare, good to return June 30th, inclusive.

XIV. A Reception will be given to the Grand Army of the Republic, Women's Relief Corps and Sons of Veterans and visitors on the evening of June 24th, 8 o'clock, at Monte Cristo Hotel, where all will be welcome.

XV. Comrades of Posts in the Department who were Buglers, and have their bugles, are requested to bring them and report at Headquarters to Comrade J. G. Gundlach at Everett, Tuesday, June 24th, for duty.

At 4 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, June 25th, the annual parade will take place, and will start promptly at that hour.

XVI. Subscriptions to the McKinley Monument Fund to the amount of \$73.95 have been received from Posts and individuals. Every subscriber will be furnished a souvenir by the Committee. The souvenir is now being made by Tiffany of New York, and is said to be a beautiful work of art, but will not be completed for some time yet.

The money, with the name and address of every Post and subscriber, has been forwarded to the Treasurer of the Fund by the Assistant Quartermaster-General and his receipt therefor received and will be submitted to the Encampment.

XVII. This Department's quota of Thirty Journals of the printed proceedings of the Thirty-fifth National Encampment held at Cleveland will be distributed at the forthcoming Encampment.

XVIII. The Rules of Order for the National Encampment, so far as applicable, will govern the Twentieth Department Encampment of Washington and Alaska.

By command of

HARRY A. BIGELOW,

Department Commander.

Official:

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

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic,

Seattle, Wash., Sept. 16, 1901.

Special Orders No. 1.

I. The Department Commander announces with profound sorrow the death of Comrade William McKinley, the President of the United States.

II. Our Comrade was attending a reception in the Music Hall, Pan-American Exposition, on Friday afternoon, September 6, 1901, when an assassin, in the guise of friendship, shot him with a revolver concealed under a handkerchief. After lingering between hope and fear he died on Saturday morning, September 14, at 2:15, his last words being: "It is God's way; His will be done."

III. For the second time in the history of the Grand Army of the Republic a Comrade has reached the highest office in the gift of a people, only to be stricken down at the hands of an assassin.

IV. When Comrade Garfield was stricken down in like manner, there are no words more befitting than when Comrade McKinley paid him the following glowing tribute which expresses the thought of every true American citizen in regard to Comrade McKinley as well as the man for whom it was said:

V. "In him we find the best representative of the possibilities of American life. Boy and man he typifies American youth and manhood, and illustrates the benefits and glory of our free institutions. He did not flash forth as a meteor, he rose with measured and stately step over rough paths and through years of rugged work. He earned his passage to every preferment. He was tried and tested at every step in his pathway of progress. He produced his passport to every gateway of opportunity and glory. His state sustained him and at last the nation rewarded his courage and consistency with the highest honors it could bestow."

VI. In recognition of the great loss our organization has sustained and the calamity to the nation, the colors of the Posts of this Department will be suitably draped in mourning, and the same worn by Post and Staff officers on duty for the period of sixty days from date of this order, and that Posts take suitable action in the form of resolutions and have them spread upon their minutes as part of the official records.

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Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,  
Grand Army of the Republic,  
Walla Walla, Wash., July 11, 1902.

General Orders No. 2.

I. At the Twentieth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, held at the City of Everett, Wash., June 24-26, 1902, the following Department Officers were duly elected and installed:

Commander—B. C. Bedell, Abraham Lincoln Post No. 4, Walla Walla.

Senior Vice Commander—J. T. Sherfey, of John Buford Post No. 89, Everett.

Junior Vice Commander—M. R. Brewster, Navy Yard Post No. 110, Bremerton.

Medical Director—R. M. Davis, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

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

Council of Administration—

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

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

C. L. Roberts—General Crook Post No. 63, Aberdeen.

J. E. Risedorph—Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

Abraham Garl—General Sherman Post No. 97, Burlington.

Delegates to National Encampment—

(Washington, D. C., Oct. 6 to 12, inclusive.)

R. H. Ball, Delegate-at-Large—Post No. 18, La Conner.

R. W. Williams—D. A. Russell Post No. 35, Mt. Vernon.

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

Robt. McMann—Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

Alternates—

Gen'l T. M. Anderson—Ellsworth Post No. 2, Vancouver.

L. H. Prather—Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.

W. S. Peacock—Loomis Post No. 80, Gig Harbor.

John A. Green—Harrison Post No. 104, Chelan.

Department Color Bearer—

Joseph Dickerson—J. F. Miller Post No. 31, Seattle.

Department Trumpeter—

John G. Gundlach—Reno Post No. 47, Spokane.

II. The following staff officers are hereby appointed:

E. W. Eliot—A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G., Post No. 4, Walla Walla.

Inspector—Henry C. Olney, Post No. 47, Spokane.

Judge Advocate—Charles R. Conner, Post No. 8, Spokane.

Chief Mustering Officer—S. F. Street, Post No. 1, Seattle.

Chief of Staff—F. M. Davis, Post No. 31, Seattle.

Senior Aide-de-Camp—W. S. Peacock, Post No. 80, Gig Harbor.

Department Banner Bearer—

John Braden—Post No. 4, Walla Walla.

Department Bugler—

Thomas Corn—Post No. 4, Walla Walla. (Special appointment.)

They will be respected and obeyed accordingly.

III. Post Commanders are requested to recommend a Comrade of their respective Posts for appointment as Aide-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander; also a Comrade as Assistant Inspector, and a third as a member of the Board of Patriotic Instruction. These and other appointments will be published in future orders. Post Commanders will be particular in recommending Comrades to appointment. They should select the best timber

from among their members, only those best fitted for the office they are to fill should be considered. In view of this fact Post Commanders will designate for these positions only such Comrades known as enthusiastic and earnest workers, who will take especial interest in their work, in the welfare of their Comrades, in the advancement and good of our order.

IV. Past Department Commander M. M. Holmes, Post No. 1, Seattle, is hereby appointed special aide in charge of transportation, to whom all matters pertaining to national and state encampments will be referred. His present postoffice address is Adelaide, Wash.

V. Post Adjutants and Quartermasters are reminded that the semi-annual reports were due June 30th ultimo. As Post reports must be tabulated and the Department per capita tax and reports transmitted to National Headquarters immediately after the close of the half year, ending June 30, 1902, promptness in transmitting Post reports to these Headquarters is earnestly requested. The per capita tax is as usual twenty cents for the half year. Promptness is a virtue.

VI. All requisitions for supplies must be accompanied by express or postal money order, payable to the order of E. W. Eliot, A. A. G. and A. Q. M., box 108, Walla Walla, Wash.

VII. Fully realizing the great responsibilities devolving upon me, I ask the cordial co-operation and assistance of all, that harmony and good fellowship may exist throughout the Department. Let no question arise that will tamper with or agitate the feelings of a Comrade. None of us are infallible; therefore, if injudicious acts be committed by some and mistakes rendered by others—let us develop a spirit of moderation and be susceptible to forgiveness, remembering that we belong to the remnant of that great army which made liberty triumphant for all time. Let us drink from the same canteen, touching elbows with all Comrades; let harmony prevail within the portal of every Post throughout this Department.

By command of

B. C. BEDELL,

Official:

Department Commander.

E. W. ELIOT, Asst. Adjt. Genl. and A. Q. M.

