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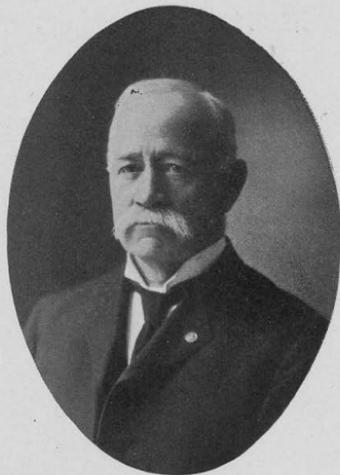
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The twenty-second Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Washington and Alaska, convened in Knights of Pythias hall, in the city of Bellingham, Wash., at 10 a. m., June 22, 1904.

The Encampment was opened in due form, Department Commander Thomas H. Cavanaugh presiding.

The roll of officers and members was called by the Assistant Adjutant General, J. C. Robinson, as follows:

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	Thos. Corn	

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Thomas Shea.*

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 D. L. Crossen

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 F. Hosford

M. R. Bumb*
 L. B. Cornell

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 O. W. Lewis.

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J. F. Zediker.

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M. W. Packard

W. F. Eddy
 J. B. Hewitt*

J. B. King
 B. F. Doyle

Burton Smith
 E. D. Dean

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J. H. Russell*

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J. H. Russell

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 W. H. Randolph

Henry Helves

Geo. Davis
 Thos. F. Barton

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Amos Smith*

ALTERNATES.

Geo. W. Carver

Daniel Cabel

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Jos. Smith
 J. A. J. Taylor

F. A. Doty
 M. B. Chapman
 J. H. Hockett

C. Kalahan
 Levi Summers

DELEGATES.
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ALTERNATES.
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Commander T. M. Bryan*

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J. W. Hall

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John Chalmers

J. J. Calder

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Jacob Smith

Wm. S. Chenoweth

ALTERNATE.

J. P. Kinney*

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Edward Rose

M. M. Smith

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W. W. Swing*

DELEGATES.

Henry Landers

Robert Ray*

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Peter Mutty

Wm. McLean

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J. A. Dix

A. C. Case

Wm. Westacott

E. G. Faires

E. M. Giles

DELEGATE.

J. A. Dix

ALTERNATE.

Wm. Westacott

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A. Clarke

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Robert Lyman

C. A. Green

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James Huison

N. Dennis

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DELEGATE.

William E. Polen

ALTERNATE.

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PAST COMMANDERS.

J. F. Dabelley

R. H. Ball*

Robert Moore*

Edward Briston*

James Calahan*

DELEGATES.

Charles Moore

Adam Huff

ALTERNATES.

Isaac Chilberg

George Neal

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Commander, James Ewart.

PAST COMMANDERS.

James Ewart

Wm. A. Inman

Clark Colvin

L. M. Boyd

Chas. Von Lochnen

J. Buck.

DELEGATE

Benjamin Baker

ALTERNATE.

Isaac Ellis

BAKER POST, No. 20, GOLDENDALE.

Commander, J. R. Putnam

PAST COMMANDERS.

E. B. Wise	F. B. Stimpson	E. W. Pike.
J. A. Stout	J. R. Putnam	

DELEGATES.

F. B. Stimpson	-	E. W. Pike
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ALTERNATES.

J. R. Putnam		O. A. Vanhoy
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McDOWELL POST, No. 22, POMEROY.

Commander H. C. Thompson

PAST COMMANDERS.

S. G. Cosgrove	H. C. Thompson	S. K. Hull
James Palmer*	C. H. Bingham	John Hardin
	John Thompson	

DELEGATES.

Joe Clarg		John Miles
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ALTERNATES.

Peter Kuhn		W. R. Neal
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GEO. WRIGHT POST, No. 23, CHENEY.

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PAST COMMANDERS.

Wm. K. Griffith	John C. Tyler	Wm. H. Jordan
F. McDowell	A. Briner	Levi Buchman
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DELEGATE.

Sanford Black

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Insley Cook		John Dever*
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PAST COMMANDERS.

Robert Bruce		J. C. Poe
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DELEGATE.

G. S. Gritman

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R. P. Cady.

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	J. W. Florance	

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James Watkins

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	H. Zimmerman	

DELEGATE.

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	W. A. Holland	

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Gordon Sweany

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ALTERNATE.

Henry Mentz

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J. B. Thurston

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S. D. ShermanC. A. Barton
M. H. SnowS. W. Jacobs
J. S. Markham

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W. L. Livesley

L. Chrisman

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Jas. McClintock

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S. P. Tapping*
John Fernley*T. W. Gillette*
C. T. Lathrop
Geo. H. Ames*D. Alverson*
W. M. Toles

DELEGATE.

Geo. W. Quimby*

BENTLEY POST, No. 60, REARDON.

Commander, W. H. Hickox.

PAST COMMANDERS.

(None reported.)

DELEGATES.

John Wickham

ALTERNATES.

Geo. Emly*

A. Howard

GENERAL MILROY POST, No. 62, TEKOA.

Commander, F. P. Connell.

PAST COMMANDERS.

B. F. Copeland

D. N. Lake
F. P. Connell

N. B. Welton

DELEGATES.

John Le Cornu*

J. W. Siliman

ALTERNATES.

Myron Brown

J. W. Siliman

GENERAL COOK POST, No. 63, ABERDEEN.

Commander, O. A. Meyers.

PAST COMMANDERS.

O. A. Meyers	N. S. Arnold	Fred Nye
J. W. Tokles	C. P. L. Roberts	J. M. Bermingham

DELEGATES.

J. M. Bermingham	C. P. L. Roberts
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ALTERNATES.

J. W. Tokles	Fred Nye
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WALLACE POST, No. 64, SPRINGDALE.

Commander, A. J. Godfrey.

PAST COMMANDERS.

Carroll Morgan	Jacob Keller	A. E. Bidgood
	J. D. Slocum	

DELEGATE.

A. J. Godfrey

ALTERNATE.

J. D. Slocum

ADMIRAL PORTER POST, No. 66, MOSSY ROCK.

Commander, William Young.

PAST COMMANDERS.

Thomas Landes	P. D. Hopkinson	Wm. Young
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DELEGATES.

Moses Hoyt	Maynard Loomis
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ALTERNATES.

(None reported.)

GENERAL EMORY POST, No. 68, ANACORTES.

Commander, A. D. Quint*

PAST COMMANDERS.

G. C. Marsh*	A. J. Crookham	Jno. J. See*
V. J. Knapp*	David Davis*	A. D. Quint
	Milton Shock	

DELEGATE.

A. P. Gillemuate*

ALTERNATE.

(None reported.)

GENERAL FREMONT POST, No. 69, SOUTH BEND.

Commander, C. E. Huson.

PAST COMMANDERS.

J. S. Brown	F. R. Wright
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ALTERNATE.

M. M. Monohon*

UNION POST, No. 70, CHEWELAH.

Commander, D. C. Ely.

PAST COMMANDERS.

Fritz Kieling	E. A. Kyes	Chas. T. Rigg
	D. C. Ely	

DELEGATES.

E. A. Kyes	C. T. Rigg
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ALTERNATES.

Fritz Kieling	W. E. Reinoeht
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TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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

Commander, Ira McMinds.

PAST COMMANDERS.

F. E. McDougal

M. D. Compton

DELEGATE.

J. D. Owens

ALTERNATE.

N. C. Jones

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

Commander, D. W. Shaeffer.

PAST COMMANDERS.

S. H. McNaughton

A. Eckmeyer

A. Allen

Jesse Howell

Joseph Leng

D. W. Shaeffer

DELEGATE.

C. E. Oyer

ALTERNATE.

S. Foster

EVERETT POST, No. 73, SUMNER.

Commander, J. F. Thompson.

PAST COMMANDERS.

F. McFarland

R. A. Guffy

J. B. Kraus

J. F. Thompson

A. D. Kline

T. S. Pierce

Joseph Packard*

J. R. Moore

DELEGATE.

O. A. Pierce

ALTERNATE.

E. T. Guptil

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

SILAS CASEY POST, No. 74, FRIDAY HARBOR.

Commander, Ed. Zigler.

PAST COMMANDERS.

J. E. Tucker

W. H. Thacker

J. W. Smoots

A. S. Hall

J. C. Blair

DELEGATE.

Geo. W. Smith

ALTERNATE.

J. W. Smoots

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

Commander, J. H. Elwell.

PAST COMMANDERS.

J. O. Gifford

G. Coulter

G. Sykes

H. L. Childs

F. Bryant

H. Spencer

DELEGATE.

J. M. Fish*

ALTERNATE.

H. Spencer

H. BURNHAM POST, No. 76, KENT.

Commander, J. C. Campbell

PAST COMMANDERS.

Geo. R. Seese

Geo. Wood*

S. C. Nicholson

H. N. Joy

DELEGATES.

J. A. Hagadorn*

Elmer Rockwell

ALTERNATES.

H. N. Joy

Davidson Filson

H. R. LOOMIS POST, No. 80, GIG HARBOR.

Commander, W. S. Peacock.

PAST COMMANDERS.

A. Brown
Wm. KimballM. B. Hunt
John AtkinsonJoseph Alen
W. S. Peacock

DELEGATE.

Geo. A. Morgan

ALTERNATE.

John Boyd

WORTHINGTON POST, No. 81, ELMA.

Commander, W. Booth.

PAST COMMANDERS.

M. A. Holcomb
Geo. BrumbaughA. Jolly*
H. Kramer
P. KellermanF. Foreman
A. Porter

DELEGATE.

W. W. Leatham*

ALTERNATE.

B. Buswell

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

Commander, C. D. Spencer*

PAST COMMANDERS.

M. D. Wood

Henry Shields

E. Pomeroy*

C. D. Spencer

M. Robinson

DELEGATES.

R. Gibson

W. S. Reeves*

C. D. Spencer

ALTERNATES.

C. Troth

T. B. Rhodes

COMMODORE FOOTE POST, No. 84, PORT ORCHARD.

Commander, D. C. Bleam*

PAST COMMANDERS.

W. J. Alexander
A. F. BairdD. C. Bleam
P. H. Seay
F. D. FullerA. W. Robinson*
Wm. Cline

DELEGATE.

C. M. Bartlett*

ALTERNATE.

W. A. Stark

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

Commander, James H. Baker.

PAST COMMANDERS.

A. L. Blair
D. S. Baker*Robert Maxwell
William OganThos. Moran
Otto Mauser

DELEGATES.

(None reported.)

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

Commander, F. A. Bates.

PAST COMMANDERS.

T. C. Patterson	R. S. Alexander	C. H. Newton
J. Emery	S. D. Breer	S. V. Isenburg
Jas. Hartshorn	J. H. Waters*	J. A. Baker
H. A. McKinney	F. A. Bates	

DELEGATE.

W. S. Wittum*

ALTERNATE.

A. U. Persing

FRED LANDER POST, No. 88, FARMINGTON.

Commander, E. W. Leonard.

PAST COMMANDERS.

T. R. Tannatt	R. A. Truax	E. W. Leonard
J. Blickenderfer	R. H. Martin	J. M. Charles
	D. F. Ravens	

DELEGATE.

Orvill Buck

ALTERNATE.

J. J. Hoback

JOHN BUFORD POST, No. 89, EVERETT.

Commander, Joseph A. Buckley*

PAST COMMANDERS.

Franklin C. Tubbs	S. S. King	Joseph Bucher
J. T. Sherfey*	J. P. Budd*	R. K. Beecham
J. A. Baker	Uriah Cook*	

DELEGATES.

J. H. Weaver*	G. L. Sanborn*	John Chapman*
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ALTERNATES.

Jacob Young	E. D. Randall	J. R. Luce
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E. E. CROSS POST, No. 90, SHELTON.

Commander, T. W. Daniels*

PAST COMMANDERS.

Geo. Cyphert	J. B. Ritner	S. Caldwell
C. T. Huntley*	Jno. Lug	W. Woods
F. M. Munson*	C. S. Dunbar	

DELEGATE.

Gaylord Pinney

ALTERNATE.

N. Campbell

D. CHAPLIN POST, No. 92, COUPEVILLE.

Commander, L. Boyer*

PAST COMMANDERS.

F. A. Le Sourd	Chas. Eaton*	A. B. Coates*
John Benson	W. H. McCaslin	

DELEGATE.

Joseph Sauts*

ALTERNATE.

J. Ely.

GENERAL RUSK POST, No. 93, DAVENPORT.

Commander, J. H. Long.

PAST COMMANDERS.

E. S. Fitch	J. H. Long	R. R. Stewart*
	A. S. Dunning	

DELEGATES.

Isaac Michaels
Thomas Denson

ALTERNATES.

A. M. McKay
R. A. Burge

N. B. PAGE POST, No. 94, MISSION.

Commander, J. McFarland*

PAST COMMANDERS.

J. McFarland
Thos. Stewart*
F. F. Rexford
A. S. Burbank*

DELEGATE.

J. C. Patton*

ALTERNATE.

(None reported.)

L. P. PLUMMER POST, No. 95, WHATCOM.

Commander, J. H. Marlett*

PAST COMMANDERS.

John Broyles
A. C. Miller
Jeremiah Swiger

DELEGATE.

Chas. R. Henderson*

ALTERNATE.

A. C. Langley

GENERAL EWING POST, No. 96, ISSAQUAH.

Commander, Wm. H. Ellis.

PAST COMMANDERS.

A. J. Foster
William Ray
W. H. Brunk*
D. F. Wiley*
J. M. Thompson
Wm. H. Ellis

DELEGATE.

Chas. Smith*

ALTERNATE.

S. Baxter

GENERAL SHERMAN POST, No. 97, BURLINGTON.

Commander, J. D. Hogue*

PAST COMMANDERS.

Abraham Garl*
David Koch*
W. H. H. Cressey*
James Lewellen*
E. K. White*
Denis Hinchon
Thos. Thompson*

DELEGATE.

Ira Brown*

J. M. CORSE POST, No. 98, COLVILLE.

Commander, Hugh Weir.

PAST COMMANDERS.

D. J. Zent
E. S. McCloud
A. F. Perkins*
T. J. King
C. W. Campbell

DELEGATES.

Daniel Harbaugh

E. S. McCloud

ALTERNATE.

G. C. Wallace

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

Commander, S. W. Morgan*

PAST COMMANDERS.

C. B. Hoadley T. J. Holcomb* R. Young

DELEGATES.

G. W. Isch E. Gifford E. Clarendon

ALTERNATES.

J. F. Dollarhyde G. J. Bradley T. J. Holcomb

SPEAGLE POST, No. 100, MEAD.

Commander, J. W. Yeakel.

PAST COMMANDERS.

D. B. Roby David Christman Jas. Berridge
 Robert Atkinson*

DELEGATE.

J. W. Hearty

ALTERNATE.

(None reported.)

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

(No report.)

GENERAL PALMER POST, No. 102, CLARKSTON.

Commander, L. A. Woodward.

PAST COMMANDER.

C. T. Cowan

DELEGATE.

H. E. Farnsworth

ALTERNATE.

N. N. Hanson

J. A. SEXTON POST, No. 103, SEATTLE.

Commander, C. H. Jones.

PAST COMMANDERS.

E. A. Herrman John Taylor F. S. Berry
 H. S. Lilligar

DELEGATES.

T. C. Hopkins* James Buzzard* C. B. Dudley

ALTERNATES.

A. Blanchard Wm. Orey J. H. Roberts

HARRISON POST, No. 104, CHELAN.

Commander, Wm. B. Moore.

PAST COMMANDERS.

H. C. Keeler J. A. Green* J. A. Larrabee

DELEGATES.

Spencer Boyd Dr. A. J. Mitchell

ALTERNATES.

S. H. Hopkins S. E. Phillips

DANIEL MCCOOK POST, No. 105, WENATCHEE.

Commander, E. L. Delano.

PAST COMMANDERS.

(None reported.)

DELEGATE.
S. E. Willard*

ALTERNATE.
(None reported.)

WM. MCKINLEY POST, No. 106, DEER PARK.

Commander, Samuel Renshaw.

PAST COMMANDERS.
(None reported.)

DELEGATE.
Levi Anderson*

ALTERNATE.
(None reported.)

WILLIAM HALL POST, No. 107, GRANITE FALLS.

Commander, H. A. Gregory*

PAST COMMANDERS.
A. P. Waterhouse* J. L. Swealten*

DELEGATE.
R. F. Smith*

ALTERNATE.
J. L. Waltz

JOHN BOTHELL POST, No. 108, BOTHELL.

Commander, J. M. Keener.

PAST COMMANDERS.
J. W. Moore George Bothell

DELEGATES.
(None reported.)

ALTERNATE.
Wm. Johnson*

NAVY YARD POST, No. 110, BREMERTON.

Commander, T. F. Mahan*

PAST COMMANDERS.
H. R. Gale

DELEGATES.
Antone E. Reith* B. F. Whittaker*

ALTERNATES.
W. W. Cary C. B. Hinds

BURNSIDE POST, No. 111, WAITSBURG.

Commander, F. W. Becker.

PAST COMMANDERS.
A. W. Phillips E. Cornwell F. W. Becker
D. G. Ingraham E. M. Denton

DELEGATE.
(None reported.)

ALTERNATE.
(None reported.)

GREEN LAKE POST, No. 112, GREEN LAKE STATION, SEATTLE.

Commander, S. M. Allen.

PAST COMMANDERS.

W. G. Hubbard*

DELEGATE.

(None reported.)

ALTERNATE.

Robert Weeden*

C. S. HAMILTON POST, No. 113, KELSO.

Commander, J. W. Moore.

PAST COMMANDERS.

P. J. Knapp
Henry Allen
H. G. W. CronkJacob Stoves
S. R. Levey
S. M. Patton
David KeeferWilliam Teft
John Goggs
Thomas Hill

DELEGATES.

G. Saulcer

H. H. Harvey

ALTERNATES.

Oliver Byerly

Jacob Stoves

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following report:

Headquarters Department Washington and Alaska.
Bellingham, June 22, 1904.

To the Department Commander:

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully reports the following officers, post officers and delegates entitled to seats in this Encampment:

(The roll submitted by the committee corresponds in every particular with that read by the Adjutant General.)

We recommend, where delegates are not present, posts may elect delegates from any of their members present, sufficient to fill their full representation.

All past post commanders, if present, are entitled to a vote in this Encampment by virtue of their honors.

Comrade J. H. Coffman, of Ladd 17, moved to amend the recommendation of the Committee on Credentials, so that any delegate or delegates in attendance at this Encampment, from any Post in the Department, shall be permitted to cast the full vote to which it would be entitled if all of its delegates and Past Commanders were personally present.

The motion was overwhelmingly rejected, and the report of the committee unanimously adopted.

Comrade Boardman, of Custer No. 6, moved that a committee on resolutions, consisting of five members, be appointed by the Department Commander, to which committee all resolutions shall be referred without debate.

The motion was amended so as to provide for the appointment of two additional committees. One on order of business and another on the Department Commander's address.

The motion as amended was adopted and the following appointments were announced:

Committee on Order of Business—Comrades J. L. Comstock, of No. 8; R. W. Williams, of No. 35, and A. V. Fawcett, of No. 6.

Committee on Resolutions—Comrades G. H. Boardman, of No. 6; H. A. Bigelow, of No. 1; and O. D. Spencer, of No. 82.

On Department Commander's Address—Comrades J. A. Risdorph, of No. 1; H. F. Garretson, of No. 6; and Joseph Sants, of No. 47.

On motion of Comrade Bigelow a recess was taken until 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Encampment was called to order at the appointed hour, and the session was opened in an invocation by Comrade C. D. Spencer.

The Department Commander then read his address, which is as follows:

To My Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic:

On our march to the Eternal Rendezvous, we have passed another milestone. One more report has been made to Headquarters, on which is recorded and chronicled the events of that march. Many with their descriptive lists have gone forward to be added to the bright roll of heroes "who are enjoying their reward in the glorious world over there," beyond the battlements of Heaven. Here at roll call, they are marked "absent"; over there, they are present, while at roll call there, we are the absentees.

The past year, all things considered, has been one of prosperity for the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Washington and Alaska. Notwithstanding the large percentages of deaths and suspensions, (in number about four hundred) there has been a small increase in membership.

There is a marked improvement in the interest of the comrades in the welfare and prosperity of our beloved Order. From all parts of the Department comes the information that the attendance has largely increased during the year, and that the interest in the proceedings of the posts has been noticeably augmented.

Suspensions for Non-Payment of Dues.

There is now, per reports from the several posts in the Department, a suspended list of members, reaching nearly ten per cent. of the whole membership.

I regret very much that this condition exists, and am opposed to the suspension of comrades for non-payment of dues.

When comrades are able to pay, and do not pay, it is proper that they should be dealt with according to rules and regulations; first suspended and after notice, dropped. But where the comrade is not able to pay without taking the sum of his dues from the pittance the government pays him, to aid in his maintenance, when his dis-

abilities increase with his declining years, or when the amount so paid deprives him of some necessity, he should not be required to pay. And when he is unable to pay, he should not be suspended.

The laws of Washington make it unnecessary for any post to maintain a relief fund; all disabled and needy soldiers and their families being provided for from the county fund. This gives the several posts their surplus funds for uses outside of relief. It is my opinion that the best use to which they can apply it is to the payment of the dues of their indigent members. When I say pay I mean pay. Do not remit his dues, but direct the Adjutant to draw a warrant on the Quartermaster and pay them.

The Commander-in-Chief has this to say in relation to the suspension and reinstatement of members for the non-payment of dues:

Extract From General Orders No. 9.

Par. II: "The Commander-in-Chief is gratified to note the earnest efforts making in many Departments for bringing into the Grand Army of the Republic those who have not heretofore cared to join the order, or who have for various reasons allowed their membership to lapse.

"The Department of Kansas restored to membership more than two thousand comrades during the second term of 1903. It is very doubtful if the heavy loss because of increasing mortality can be wholly overcome, but it may be in part offset if post and Department officials will do their full measure of duty in the matter of soliciting new members, or making proper effort to secure the return of those who are now on the suspended list."

Entertainment for the Post Room.

I would respectfully submit to the members of the several posts of the Department the proposition that a program shall be prepared for each meeting of the post, which shall be composed of subjects and exercises connected with the history of the Civil War.

There should be something on the program each meeting of the post to attract the members and induce them to attend. I have suggested to many of the posts in the Department the following plan for such exercises: Our order being a military organization, let the Post Commander begin with the name of the first comrade on the roster and order the comrade to appear at the next, or some stated meeting later, prepared to tell his comrades of the event in his military service that is the most vividly impressed upon his mind as important and decisive in results. This plan to be continued with entire roster. In some of the posts visited, I found a few that prepared a program for one night in the month for the entertainment

of the members thereof. Any plan that will vary the monotony of the ritual will be an improvement and will give added interest to the meetings of the post.

In looking for the causes that have dissipated the interest of the comrades in the proceedings of the post I have found one that prevails in a number of instances. One which can be removed by the comrades themselves. It is the lack of interest shown by officers in the work of their posts; who in many ways slight their duty; who do not discharge their duties as required by the rules and regulations and prescribed in the Ritual. In a post in the Department, where a number of recruits have been received during the last year, not one of them was mustered in according to the service prescribed in the Ritual. The recruit has been obligated and promised the regular initiation at some other time. Officers whose regard for their obligations and promises, evidenced by their constant declaration, "We will dispense with regular service and proceed without formality," are doing posts an unintentional injury. I would respectfully suggest to such officers that "if a duty is worth discharging at all it is worth discharging well."

In the Grand Army of the Republic every duty should be discharged in strict compliance with orders and the rules and regulations governing the same. Be prompt, be faithful, be attentive to orders and discharge every duty incumbent upon you with the "esprit de corps" that marks the earnest, devoted officer and soldier.

The State Relief Fund.

The state of Washington has made ample provision for the relief of the necessities of indigent and distressed veterans and their families. The several posts of the Grand Army of the Republic have charge of the disbursement of this fund. The committees in charge thereof should be exceedingly careful in issuing orders upon this fund. They should carefully investigate each and every case, and assist those who are really needy. It has come to my knowledge that in some cases this fund has been abused and blame has been given our order because of such abuse.

Securing Recruits.

The census of 1900 shows that there are nearly ten thousand veteran soldiers of the Civil War who are residing in this state. The membership of the Grand Army of the Republic is a few less than twenty-nine hundred. There are more than seven thousand veterans in the state who are not members of the Grand Army of the Republic. I would earnestly urge the comrades to begin an active campaign of

recruiting, and to continue until those soldiers of the Civil War who are not members shall be enrolled upon the roster of some post.

The Service Pension.

During the year a large majority of the posts in this Department have adopted resolutions favoring the passage by congress of the Service Pension bill approved by the National Encampment which met at San Francisco August 29-31, 1903.

The bill failed to pass at this session of congress, but I hope it will be carefully and fully considered and passed at the next session.

I have refused to submit to the posts of this Department proposed amendments to the Service Pension bill coming from other Departments, because in my judgment it is much easier to amend the law when on the statute book than to amend the bill in the hands of the committee. Division among ourselves is what the opponents of the measure desire to bring about.

The Soldiers' Home.

I have visited the posts at Orting and the State Soldiers' Home located at that station. It was my first visit to the Home, and to say that I was disappointed with the location and its surroundings is a reasonable expression of my feelings. I can now fully appreciate the disappointment that possesses our organization over the location of the Home.

The Home, itself together with the grounds, is all right. It is the place, the bleak, unpleasant surroundings and utter isolation of the comrades when inmates of the Home that are the reasons for this protest.

The management of the Home does as well as is possible in caring for the veterans quartered there. It is crowded to overflowing. And as the veterans, one and all (you and me) are growing cranky and hard to manage, the task is one requiring executive ability of no ordinary character to make a success of the management.

There are several features connected with the management and administration of the Soldiers' Home that I would be pleased to see changed.

I do not think the Commandant should have the power to discharge an inmate from the Home at his discretion. It is possible (and the temptation is great) to abuse this power. It seems to me that there should be established at the Home a tribunal to hear and try and to fix penalties for any infraction of the rules. That no comrade should be discharged from the Home except for a crime—a wilful violation of the law.

I also believe that the management, control and operation of the Home should be vested in a board, upon which there should and would be at least one soldier as the representative of the veterans of the state.

For Another Home.

The present Home is occupied to the limit of its capacity. For the accommodation of those veterans who, by reason of advanced age, are daily becoming incapacitated and unable to provide for their wants and the wants of their wives and families, I would advocate the passage of a law by the legislature of 1905 providing for the erection of another Soldiers' Home at some point near tide water, and near a city or town, where the veterans could go and see something of life and mingle with their fellow citizens.

I want this to be a home for the veteran and his wife. Composed of small cottages for domiciles, with an assembly hall, a mess hall, a library and an athletic hall where they could assemble to dine, to read, to exercise and for sociability.

In this connection I would suggest that the several posts in the Department pass a resolution requesting our delegation in congress to introduce and use every effort to pass a bill in congress providing for a grant of fifty thousand acres of land to the state from the public domain for the building and maintenance of this Soldiers' Home.

A proposition was made by some of our comrades who are deeply interested in providing accommodations for the comrades at a Soldiers' Home, that we insist on a pledge from the men nominated for the legislature in the several counties that they would vote for the passage of the Soldiers' Home bill vetoed by Governor McBride, over his veto.

I have advised against this for the reason that could we prevail upon the legislature to do this (it requiring two-thirds of both houses) we could secure the passage of a bill meeting the views of the comrades.

I sincerely believe it to be the duty of the state to provide for the declining years of the veteran and his wife, in a home where they may spend their last days together. "What God has joined together, let no man put asunder."

Department Roster.

I am of the opinion that a Department Roster has become a necessity. There is hardly a week passes without a request for a copy of the Roster of the Department; or for information concerning some Civil War veteran being received at headquarters.

The Commander-in-Chief made a request for a Roster of the Department, and I was compelled to inform him that there was none compiled.

Orders were issued from these headquarters directing the Adjutants of the several posts in the Department to prepare and forward to these headquarters a Roster of the post, containing the names and descriptive list of each member of the post in good standing, and those suspended. About one-half of the Adjutants complied with the order.

It was my desire and intention to prepare at headquarters a Roster of the Department, in which the name of each comrade would be entered under the following headings:

No.	Names.		Residence.			Enlisted.		Place.	Com-mand.		Discharged.		Joined
	Post. No.	Day. Mo. Yr.	Day. Mo. Yr.	Place.	Day. Mo. Yr.	Place.	Day. Mo. Yr.		Place.				

G. A. R.		Dept. W. & A.		Transferred.		Standing.		Retired.		Djed.		REMARKS.
Day. Mo. Yr.	Day. Mo. Yr.	Day. Mo. Yr.	Day. Mo. Yr.	Good	Susp.	Day. Mo. Yr.	Day. Mo. Yr.	Day. Mo. Yr.	Day. Mo. Yr.			

The expense to the Department will be the cost of the book and extra leaves. It will not exceed fifty dollars.

This will of course add to the duties of the Adjutant General, but the present incumbent was willing and desirous to make the Roster as a part of his regular duties. I would recommend that the Encampment authorize and instruct the Department Commander to have this Roster prepared.

New Posts.

On the 21st of December, 1903, a new post was organized at Green Lake, City of Seattle, King county. Comrade R. Danly, Chief Mustering Officer and Comrade J. C. Robinson, A. A. G., were in attendance and, assisted by P. D. C. Harry Bigelow, mustered in the post. The officers-elect were duly installed.

This post was named "Green Lake Post, No. 112." It has eighteen charter members.

In the town of Kelso, in Cowlitz county, there were two posts. Kit Carson, No. 49, organized April 15th, 1889. This post reported on December 31st, 1903, ten members in good standing. The other was Gen. Saunders Post, No. 83, organized March 21st, 1892. This post reported December 1st, 1903, nine members in good standing.

A movement was inaugurated by Comrade P. J. Knapp, who was a charter member of Kit Carson Post and later a charter member of Gen. Saunders Post, for the consolidation of these posts in the interests of the veterans in and about Kelso, and of the Department. As an aid to the consolidation, I, as Department Commander, agreed that no fee for the charter of the new post would be charged. This I did in view of the fact that the comrades of Kelso had already paid for two charters.

Success crowned the efforts of the comrades working for union of the two posts, and on Saturday, May 21st, 1904, accompanied by Comrade J. C. Robinson, A. A. G., I visited Kelso, and mustered in and installed the officers of C. S. Hamilton Post, No. 113, with thirty-eight charter members; just twice the number of the two posts when standing alone.

Surrender of Charters.

Captain B. Spencer Post, No. 109, Republic, Ferry county, surrendered its charter immediately upon the adjournment of the Department Encampment at Spokane, May 28th, 1903. I have endeavored to have this post reorganize and accept its old charter. I feel assured that they will do this during the summer when the comrades return to the camp.

By the organization of the new post at Kelso, the charters of Kit Carson, No. 49, and Gen. Saunders, No. 83, were vacated. They have been surrendered to the Department.

Proceedings of the Twenty-First Encampment.

The proof of the printed Journal of the proceedings of the Twenty-first Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska was not submitted to the Department Commander for examination and revision. There are errors appearing in the printed journal, which reading by one familiar with the proceedings that were had, would have been noted and corrected. In the journal as printed all sums of money appropriated for payment of bills or for future disbursement are given in figures. Several errors appear in the amounts as printed.

The report of the proceedings should have been signed by Comrade J. F. Sherfy, Senior Vice-Commander of the Department, and attested by the Assistant Adjutant General.

The original copy of the proceedings of the Twenty-first Annual Encampment was not transmitted to these headquarters by the retiring Assistant Adjutant General. The original copy of the proceedings should be preserved in the files of the Department, where it may be referred to at any time.

National Encampment at San Francisco, Cal.

The Thirty-seventh National Encampment was held at San Francisco, Cal., August 20-21st, 1903.

There was quite a large attendance from the Pacific coast, western and middle western states. The Atlantic coast and eastern states turned out well. Everything passed off smoothly and pleasantly. The hospitality was that of California, which left nothing to be desired.

The Department of Washington and Alaska was represented by nearly two hundred veterans. All who were able turned out and marched in the parade. I am assured that this was the largest number present at an Encampment from this Department.

The headquarters of the Department were established at the Grand hotel, where every veteran was made welcome and everything was done for his comfort, pleasure and entertainment.

Woman's Relief Corps.

From Mrs. E. Phillis Carleton, Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps, I have received the report of this auxiliary for the year ending June 30th, 1904. It is submitted herewith.

The report shows that the Relief Corps is in a prosperous condition and is doing good every hour. It is a true helpmeet of the posts in the hour of trial and trouble, and a kindly, present aid to the comrades in sickness and distress. Praise and thanks to them for their unflinching interest and assistance.

During my visits to the posts in the Department I could not but be impressed with the great assistance and benefit a Relief Corps is to a post. It is beyond contravention that the best and most successful posts in the Department are those that have an active, intelligent Woman's Relief Corps auxiliary. Many posts cheerfully acknowledge that the Relief Corps was, and is, their salvation; their very existence depends upon them.

I would earnestly recommend that every post without a Relief Corps, take the steps necessary to organize one; and would suggest that the charter fee be paid for from the funds of the post. It is "casting bread upon the water that will return after many days."

Ladies of the G. A. R.

From Mrs. Sue E. Stine, of Seattle, Department President, I have received the report of the transactions of this order for the year just closing.

This organization of the mothers, wives and lineal descendants of the veterans of the Civil War has done and is doing good every day

for the relief of sick and needy veterans. We appreciate their kind acts, and desire to acknowledge the obligations of the veterans to them.

Memorial Day.

On May 30th, the day honored in the annals of our beloved order as no other day, was observed within the limits of the Department by paying a loving tribute to the memory of the heroes who died in defense of their country, and for the preservation of the dearly bought liberties of the people. There were few if any graves in which slept veterans, comrades of the Civil War, that were without flowers, or some token of loving remembrance.

Thirty-Eighth National Encampment at Boston.

The Thirty-eighth National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, will meet in the City of Boston, Mass., August 15-21st, 1904.

The hospitality of the comrades and patriotic citizens of Boston is renowned in the history of the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic. It has been open-hearted and lavish and unlimited. We are assured that all former efforts will be eclipsed and exceeded at the coming Encampment.

The Commander-in-Chief has expressed a desire that as many comrades as possible should go to make it memorable in the history of the Grand Army of the Republic, for the interest, enthusiasm, comradeship that will prevail; the renewal of old friendships; the joy of meeting old comrades.

In General Order No. 8 the Commander-in-Chief says that he is assured that railroad rates have been agreed upon as favorable as has ever been extended to an Encampment. In all the eastern territory it is one cent a mile in each direction. It is understood that similar terms have been arranged for with other railroad associations.

It will be to the interest of this Department to have every comrade present who can attend.

Legislation

At this time and age, when every interest that has any need of legislation, takes steps to secure it by personal and special representation at and before the law-making bodies, I would recommend that this Encampment create a committee upon legislation, whose duty it shall be to present to the committees having charge of the subjects of legislation desired by the Grand Army of the Republic, the measures approved by the committee as beneficial to the veterans. Relating to the Soldiers' Home, to preference for veterans on public

works, state or municipal, in public office, or any other public employment.

The Veteran's Place in the Citizenship of the Republic.

"This country is THEIR country, for they saved and preserved it."

They are its first citizens. They should be respected and be beloved above all others. No man or set of men occupy a higher, more exalted and honorable position in the citizenship of the United States than the veterans of the great war for the preservation of the Union and the maintenance of a republican form of government among the nations of the earth.

To their services and sacrifices, and to the lives of their comrades freely given during the crucial time from 1861 to 1865, the present citizenship owes the united, prosperous, imperial country and magnificent civilization in which they live. Far greater, more exalted and magnificent than Greece in her palmiest days; more powerful than Rome when at the zenith of her grandeur and power.

From 1861 to 1865 the veterans were the very government itself. Had they been driven, or had they for any reason retired from the position at the front, at that moment the government would have ceased to be. All this and more the present generation owes to you. In knowledge of this you should be the proudest and most self-respecting citizen of any country—even of ours. Exacting that measure of respect which is due to the veterans of the grandest, bravest, most unselfish army in the greatest war of history.

"Theirs was not a battle for most brutal gain.

The breaking not the making of the chain."

Was waged "that government of the people, by the people, for the people, should not perish from the earth." The uplifting of the downtrodden; for a broader, freer civilization.

Because of the honor and respect due you, I draw the line at being called "an old soldier," "an old stiff," "coffee cooler" and "bean eater" and other terms and designations used in derision and in derogation of your honorable position. Insist upon being called a "veteran of the Civil War." This is the designation stamped on every badge and button, emblazoned on our banners, and used in the literature and history of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The soldiers of the war of '12" were called "veterans of the war of 12." It is the "veterans of the war with Mexico," and last, it is "Spanish-American war veterans," and "veterans of the rebellion in the Philippines." Insist upon it from this time that it shall be "veterans of the Civil War."

In Conclusion.

In closing this report I desire to say a few words to my comrades in explanation of its unusual length. I have acted upon the belief that anything, which in my judgment, affected your welfare, your prosperity and happiness; that was identified with your interests and your position among the citizens of our country, were proper subjects for presentation to the Encampment for their information and action; that through the representatives to the Encampment the information would reach all the comrades.

In the report I have recorded the things that have come under my observation when making my annual visit to the posts in the Department; and they are presented for your consideration and action.

I desire to thank the officers and comrades for the support and assistance they have given me.

To the Council of Administration, for their uniform consideration and cordial assistance upon every occasion, and for good advice personally and officially; to the Committee on Transportation for their efforts to secure for the veterans recognition in preferential rates of fare.

To the officers of the staff for the prompt and faithful discharge of their duties, and to the officers of the posts for marked improvement in the discharge of their duties, and for the promptness in obeying orders issued from headquarters.

For any improvement in the Department during the year just closing the credit is due to the attention and devotion of the officers in charge of its interests and affairs.

To Comrade J. C. Robinson, Assistant Adjutant-General and Assistant Quartermaster-General, my thanks and those of the Department are due for his untiring devotion to the duties of his office; for the prompt discharge thereof; for his unflinching interest in all matters connected with the Grand Army of the Republic, and for the uniform courtesy and kindness that has marked his every official act.

I desire to thank the officers and comrades of the several posts for the unflinching kindness and good comradeship with which they greeted me on my visits. It has made the year one of the pleasantest and happiest of my experience.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,
Department Commander.

When the reading of the address was concluded, the Encampment, by a rising vote and with unmistakable, hearty enthusiasm, expressed its approval.

The Committee on Order of Business submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Order of Business beg leave to submit the following report:

1. Report of officers.
2. Miscellaneous business.
3. Fixing place of Encampment.
4. Election of officers, 4 p. m., June 22.
5. Reports of committees.
6. Unfinished business.
7. Installation.

J. M. COMSTOCK, S
R. W. WILLIAMS, 35.
A. V. FOSTER, 24.

The Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General read his reports, which are as follows:

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

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

Office of Assistant Adjutant General,
Olympia, Wash., June 20th, 1904.

To Thomas H. Cavanaugh, Commander of Department of Washington and Alaska G. A. R.:

Dear Comrade: I herewith submit my report as Assistant Adjutant General for the term beginning June 22nd, 1903, and ending June 23rd, 1904. In so doing permit me to congratulate you upon your successful administration of the affairs of the Department during your term.

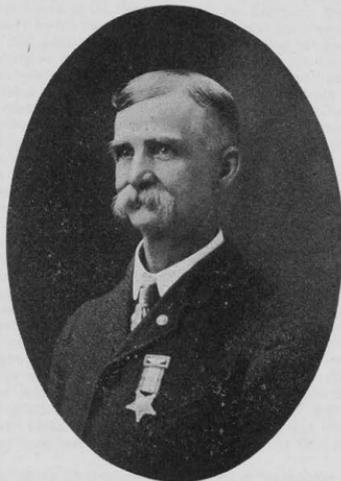
It is with much gratification that I am able to report that during your term of office not a single star has been lost from the flag of this Department, that is to say, not a post has been disbanded; but on the contrary, there has been a gain in the number of posts since the last Encampment, and not one post in arrears for per capita tax.

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

The work of the office while at times arduous, often trying and vexations, requiring close application and attention to details and often taxing patience, has withal been pleasant. My heart and my sympathies have been with my comrades in this grand organization, and my best efforts have been put forth for the good of the cause and the comrades of the Department.

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

Total number of members remaining in good standing December 31st, 1902	2838
Gained during six months ending June 30th, 1903—	
By Muster in	112
By Transfer	64
By Reinstatement	25
Total Gain	201
Aggregate June 30th, 1903	3039
Losses for same period—	
By Death	44
By Honorable Discharge	4
By Transfer	40
By Suspension	132
By Dishonorable Discharge	1
By Delinquent Reports
By Dropped	8
Total Loss	229
Remaining in Good Standing	2810
Number remaining in good standing June 30th, 1903	2810
Gained during six months ending Dec. 31st, 1903—	
By Muster in	82
By Transfers	67
By Reinstatement	28
By Reinstatement Delinquent Reports	33
Total Gain	210
Aggregate Dec. 31, 1903	3020
Losses—	
By Death	26
By Honorable Discharge	17
By Transfer	61
By Suspension	92
Total Loss	196



J. C. ROBINSON
ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Aggregate Dec. 31, 1903	2824
Number remaining suspended same date.....	224

The number of deaths in this Department for the year ending December 21st, 1903, as shown by post returns was 70; the year 1902 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 and mental condition, yet notwithstanding but seventy of our noble comrades closed their eyes to eternal sleep, yet the total loss in our membership for the year 1903 is almost four hundred.

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 been attained by persistent work in urging officers to make out and forward the returns to headquarters. The neglect of duty in this respect by some of the post officers greatly retards and renders unnecessarily difficult, work at headquarters and adds greatly to the expense to the Department. In many instances from four to six letters and blanks have been sent out before the desired information was obtained. It would be gratifying if all post officers would promptly answer correspondence from headquarters.

The correspondence has been greater and required more time than formerly, because of my desire to build up and strengthen the interests of our comrades in our noble organization.

Nine General Orders and three Circular Letters have been received from National headquarters and there have been issued from this Department eight General Orders, four Circular Letters and several Dispensations for special purposes. All have been promptly mailed to the different posts in the Department and all past Department officers, also staff officers, and all other societies connected with the Grand Army, and exchanges have been made with all other Departments and many have been sent out to public institutions throughout the land.

The Journal of the Twenty-first Encampment of Washington and Alaska was received from my predecessor, Comrade E. W. Elliot, in August, 1903, and they and also the rosters for 1904 were 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. In the matter of making out the semi-annual reports by the Adjutants and Quartermasters 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 Quartermasters 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 a great many posts as delinquent.

The rules and regulations 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.

Conclusion.

Commander: I desire to express my high appreciation of your confidence and esteem while you have been my Commander, and with greatest interest in your administration I have tried at all times 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 would 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 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 developed such a feeling of comradeship that I shall claim for the future a closer relationship with you than ever before. 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 associates upon the staff who have at all times shown their interest in the work assigned them and with whom my relations have been most agreeably fraternal, I offer sincere thanks for their continued courtesy.

To you my comrades of the Department who have served your comrades in the posts and have many a time had occasion to communicate with headquarters, in such instances the greatest pleasure has been mine to serve you quickly and 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 shall

still entertain the feeling of a continuance of the shoulder touch with each and an earnest heart's desire that richer blessings may come as we approach the sunset of our days.

Yours in F. C. and L.,
J. C. ROBINSON,
Assistant Adjutant General.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

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

Olympia, Wash., June 20th, 1904.

To Thomas H. Cavanaugh, Department Commander:

Dear 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.

1903—	
June 22—From E. W. Elliot, A. Q. M. G.	\$ 469.46
June 30—From per capita tax first term.	562.00
Dec. 31—From per capita tax second term.	564.80
1904—	
June—From sales supplies to date.	161.48
June—From one charter and supplies therewith.	10.00
Total amount received	\$1,767.74

PER CONTRA CR.—CASH DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid printing Journals 21st Encampment.	\$ 138.75
Paid printing Rosters 1904.	28.00
Paid miscellaneous printing, stationery and binding.	151.00
Paid postage and incidentals.	100.98
Paid freight and express and cartage.	31.40
Paid Geo. Boardman, typewriting 21st Encampment.	3.00
Paid Headquarters rent 37th National Encampment.	75.00
Paid badges and flags 37th National Encampment.	21.25
Paid telephone and telegraphing.	7.90
Paid Department Commanders	150.00
Paid supplies purchased Quartermaster General.	76.28
Paid salary A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.	400.00
Paid B. Danihy Transportation Mustering Green Lake Post.	7.00
Paid per capita tax first term	49.66

Paid per capita tax second term.....	49.42
Paid C. S. Cole & Co., Chicago, Ill., for supplies.....	10.75
Total amount expended	\$1,300.35
Balance certified check attached	467.39

\$1,767.74

SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Sales including supplies furnished with Charter.....	\$ 171.48
Inventory June 20th, 1904	110.21
Inventory May 23, 1903	\$ 10.34
Supplies purchased	87.03

\$194.37

\$ 87.32—\$281.69

RESOURCES JUNE 20, 1904.

Cash on hand	\$ 467.39
Supplies per inventory	110.21
Furniture and fixtures	31.86
Banners and flags.....	255.70
Tube for charters	5.69
Small banner and ribbons	6.00
Liabilities none	

Total

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

J. C. ROBINSON, A. Q. M. G.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

Money received for per capita tax up to date for the term ending June 30th, 1904.

	Post No.	No Members.	Amount.
June 7th, 1904, by per capita tax.....	94	13	\$ 2.60
June 8th, 1904, by per capita tax.....	106	10	2.00
June 8th, 1904, by per capita tax.....	108	17	3.40
June 10th, 1904, by per capita tax.....	15	31	6.20
June 13th, 1904, by per capita tax.....	14	16	3.20
June 20th, 1904, by per capita tax.....	11	30	6.00
Total			\$23.40

The Department Chaplain read his report, which is as follows:

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

Colton, June 20th, 1904.

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

Number of Posts in the Department	92
Number of Camps of Sons of Veterans attending such services.....	5

MEMORIAL SABBATH SERVICES.

Number of Posts attending services.....	52
Number of Sermons preached to Posts.....	52
Number of Sermons preached by veterans.....	13
Number of Sermons preached by Sons of Veterans.....	8
Number of Comrades present at such services.....	2,233
Number of Women's Relief Corps participating with Posts at such services	11
Number of Camps of Sons of Veterans attending such services.....	6

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES.

Number of Posts observing Memorial day services.....	52
Number of Comrades participating in Memorial day.....	2,652
Number of Women's Relief Corps participating in Memorial day services	8
Number of Camps of Sons of Veterans participating in Memorial day services	5
Number of Cemeteries in which graves were decorated.....	97
Number of graves decorated	2,395
Number of graves unmarked by headstones.....	278
Number of Public Schools Engaging in Memorial Day services.....	117
Number of Pupils participating	7,883
Number of other Organizations participating	51
Number of addresses delivered to Posts on Memorial day.....	55
Number of addresses delivered by Veterans.....	21
Address by Ursula M. Mattison, National Senior Vice President W. R. C.....	1
Number of addresses delivered by Sons of Veterans.....	8
Number of Posts having burial plots.....	25

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

Remarks: To use our best endeavors to make Memorial day more of a holy day than a holiday. Also let steps be taken to suspend all business transactions and public schools so children can attend on Memorial day

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN LE CORNU, Department Chaplain,
Colton, Wash.

Comrade C. D. Spencer, Chairman, read the report of the Committee on Military Instruction and Patriotic Education in Schools, which is as follows:

REPORT OF C. D. SPENCER, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE
ON MILITARY INSTRUCTION AND PATRIOTIC
EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS.

Centralia, Wash., June 17th, 1904.

Thomas H. Cavanaugh, Department Commander Washington and
Alaska:

Comrade—The past year has been one of improvement in patriotic instruction in our public schools in the state of Washington. We have thirty-six counties in Washington, with 2,268 school houses and the number of pupils enrolled, 183,292 of school age. Private schools—pupils enrolled, 3,998, making in round numbers, 187,290.

I mailed to each Post Commander the duties of patriotic instruction. I did not get a report from all the G. A. R. posts, but by way of the newspapers and the State Superintendent of Public Instruction I obtained the needed information. I learned that Old Glory is quite generally floating over the school houses during school days. I find also the teachers and pupils are very patriotic on Fridays before Memorial Day, with well arranged programs, and more than glad to hear the G. A. R. boys tell their experiences in the war of 1861-5.

I do hope our comrades will be more willing to give their experience in the battles they were engaged in—for the best of history is never written—so be ready to tell it.

On the 30th day of May this year the interest surpassed any year heretofore; more business men closed their business; more people and schools turned out this day in Washington than formerly. It is a settled fact that love of country and love of the Stars and Stripes are gaining ground every year, not in the United States alone, but the world round. In closing allow me to say, comrades, that if we had done no more than to give new life and love to our Nation and her Flag, it were enough to pay all it cost us and ours. We are so fond of Old Glory, that no public gathering of state, church, public schools or fraternity is complete without the Flag.

"The Star-Spangled Banner,
Long may she wave o'er the land of the free and the homes of the
brave."

Memorial Day, but commonly called Decoration Day, is omitted as one of the legal holidays in our state law. I therefore offer the following recommendation:

That our Department President appoint a committee of three to consult and act with a like committee to be appointed by the Department Commander to endeavor at the next session of the legislature to have section 56 of our state law of Code of Public Instruction amended to read as follows: No teacher shall be required to teach

school on Saturdays or on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas, New Years, Fourth of July or Memorial Day.

C. D. SPENCER,
Centralia, Washington.

The Department Inspector read as follows:

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,

June 22, 1904.

Thos. H. Cavanaugh, Department Commander:

Dear Sir and Comrade—Herewith find my report for the Department of Washington and Alaska for term ending June 30th, 1904.

I have made every effort in my power to reach the posts of this Department, but have to report that several of the smaller posts have not responded.

Eighty-one posts were properly inspected, and the reports received by me. Ninety posts paid per capita tax, leaving posts unheard from to the number of nine.

As it is impossible to wait longer, have completed the report and file it as herewith.

I want to say in reference to this Department in view of the fact that no enlistments were made from this state, it having been admitted to the Union since the Rebellion, the zeal and interest manifested by the comrades who are now living and who have moved into this jurisdiction show that they take great interest in the organization.

The posts which have not responded to my call are isolated and in many instances are far from any transportation other than the cayuse, and through storm and unpleasant weather are compelled to go many miles to attend the regular meetings of the posts, which are usually held once in thirty days. Memorial day, however, brings out the old boys and they respond to the duties imposed by the order cheerfully.

I think I can safely say that no Department of the Grand Army is any more thoroughly organized and efficient in its work than is Washington. Nor do they give more care or attention to the distressed comrades wherever relief is needed.

We have many large posts throughout the Department and auxiliaries to many of them. My report will show about fifty who added materially to the funds of the various posts to which they belong. Their charitable work and their efforts for those destitute wards is truly worthy of mention and do credit to the organization.

As you know, our state is one of the newest of the Union and its facilities for communication by one post with another is thereby hardened, yet the call for assistance from other posts in the work has been responded to in many cases cheerfully and promptly; and the Department officers have been assisted as well as assisting the

post in the work, thus giving encouragement to the weaker posts.

It is unnecessary to call your attention to the fact that the G. A. R. is losing its membership very fast, and the time is but short when the youngest will be old, and the organization will be thereby affected to its detriment.

The old boys seem to realize that this is the case and are standing shoulder to shoulder in going down the line to the last trench and the last bugle call.

We, as a Department are called Washington and Alaska, but I am sorry to report that I have nothing from Alaska in a report as a post. Hundreds of our comrades visit that frozen region in the search for wealth, and many a brave old boy has laid his bones to bleach in that black, frozen, desolate region. Yet, I am told from those who have visited that portion of our territory that their enthusiasm when they meet is unbounded and their love for each other seems to have been welded in the early days when they met in the southern clime in the dark days of our country's history and their charitable deeds are a matter of history among those who have visited that region.

In closing permit me to recommend the suggestions made by Past Inspector General Comrade H. C. Olney, as Department Inspector in 1892, as follows: "Inspections of posts and report 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. & L.,

J. A. HARRIS,

Department Inspector, Department Washington and Alaska.

The report of the Council of Administration was read as follows:

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 19th, 1904.

The Council of Administration of the Department of Washington and Alaska met at 1 o'clock p. m. at Gen. H. A. Bigelow's office, Room 307, Arcade Building, Seattle, Washington, pursuant to an order issued by the Department Commander, Thomas H. Cavanaugh.

Members of the Council present were: Comrades J. E. Risedorph, J. A. Green and F. M. Davis. By proxy: W. H. Wiscomb. Comrade J. E. Risedorph was chosen chairman and F. M. Davis secretary.

In accordance with the wishes of the members of the Grand Army and the citizens of the City of Whatcom (now Bellingham), the Council by unanimous vote, ordered that the 22d Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., will be held on the 21st, 22d and 23d days of June, 1904.

J. E. RISEDORPH,
F. M. DAVIS,
JOHN A. GREEN,
W. H. WISCOMB,

Council.

To Thos. H. Cavanaugh, Department Commander, Department of Washington and Alaska G. A. R.

The Council of Administration beg leave to submit the following report:

We have carefully examined the books and accounts of the A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. and find them correctly kept. We have checked over all books and compared them with vouchers and receipts and find that they correspond with his report, and we would recommend to this Department Encampment that his report be accepted.

And we commend the A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. for the neat and intelligent manner in which he has kept his books and accounts.

We find, as you will see by his report, the total receipts show \$1767.74, and disbursements, \$1300.35, leaving a balance of cash on hand of \$467.39, for which we have his certified check.

And we would recommend that Comrade J. A. Green, a member of this council, be allowed \$16.00, his expenses from Chelan to Seattle to attend the meeting of the C. of A. on the 21st day of last January.

And we would recommend that 250 copies of the Journal of this Encampment be printed by the outgoing A. A. G. instead of 300 as last year.

We would also recommend that the Department Commander be allowed \$150.00 for expenses for visiting posts of this Department, and that this money be used for no other purpose; and that he be required to submit to the Council of Administration an itemized account of his expenditures during his administration.

We would also recommend that the A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. be allowed \$300.00 for services and \$50.00 for rent of office.

We would also recommend that the date of meeting of all Department Encampments be fixed by the five elected members of the Council of Administration, and we would further recommend that the usual custom be continued by re-electing two of the present members of the C. of A.

And in conclusion we wish to say the reports show that this

administration has been very successful, which we attribute to the untiring energies of our outgoing Department Commander and A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G., and we commend them for the efficient manner in which their duties have been performed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. WISCOMBE,
J. E. RISEDORPH,
F. M. DAVIS,
JOHN A. GREEN,
Council of Administration.

Tacoma, Wash., June 8th, 1904.

General Thomas H. Cavanaugh, Department Commander G. A. R.
Olympia, Wash.:

Sir and Comrade—I have the honor to report that in compliance with your order of February 19th, 1904, to be in attendance at Olympia on the 20th of February, 1904, in relation to the question involving the installation of the officers-elect of George H. Thomas Post, No. 5, G. A. R., wherein a dispute had arisen, I went to Olympia. I called the Past Commander, who claimed to be acting, and the officers-elect of the post together, and in said conference pointed out the error of the position assumed by the Past Commander, and under my suggestion at the meeting called that evening, February 20th, 1904, the members of the post assembled and the officers-elect were installed.

I have the honor to be your obedient servant in F. C. & L.

H. F. GARRETSON,
Judge Advocate.

Headquarters Department Washington and Alaska, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to Grand Army of the Republic.

Bellingham, Washington, June 21st, 1904.

Thomas H. Cavanaugh, Department Commander, Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic:

According to custom, I herewith submit to you and through you to the Twenty-second Department Encampment the following report and extend the greetings of the entire membership of the Woman's Relief Corps annual convention now in session:

Total number of members in good standing March 31st, 1903.....1795
Total number of members in good standing March 31st, 1904.....2048
Total gain of members in good standing for the year..... 253

Three corps have been organized during the year just past; six other applications have been sent out and much interest is being manifested.

Amount of cash expended for relief..... \$ 655.50
Estimated value of relief, other than money..... 895.44

Number of the G. A. R. and their dependent ones assisted,
five hundred and forty-six 540
Balance in General Fund March 31st, 1903..... \$2,217.06
Balance in General Fund March 31st, 1904..... 2,790.02
Balance in Relief Fund March 31st, 1903..... 483.89
Balance in Relief Fund March 31st, 1904..... 549.14
Amount in Fund for the erection of a Monument in the Cemetery at the State Soldiers' Home..... 79.00
Amount contributed to March 31st, 1904, for the "Memorial Day South" 34.15
Balance on hand at beginning of this term..... 2.85
Total amount forwarded for "Memorial Day South"..... 37.00

Many donations were sent to the Home at Christmas time, consisting of quilts, sofa cushions, handkerchiefs, pipes and tobacco with sweetmeats, canned fruit and the renewal of subscriptions for a large number of magazines and papers.

The interest along the line of patriotic Work is increasing each year.

In conclusion I will say: The Woman's Relief Corps are ready to follow where the Grand Army leads.

The objects, in part, for which we are banded together are:

"To specially aid and assist the G. A. R. and to perpetuate the memory of their heroic dead. To assist such Union veterans as need our help and protection and to extend useful aid to their widows and orphans. To maintain true allegiance to the United States of America. To inculcate lessons of patriotism and love of country among our children and in the communities in which we live, and encourage the spread of universal liberty and equal rights to all."

Fraternally in F. C. & L.

E. PHILLIS CARLETON,
Department President.

The Paul Vander Vort Woman's Relief Corps, No. 50, located at Republic, Ferry county, has forwarded to these headquarters quarterly reports for the quarters ending September 30, 1903, December 31, 1903, and March 31, 1904, as required by Regulations. The post at Republic has surrendered its charter.

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

Seattle, Wash., May 14th, 1904.

Thos. H. Cavanaugh, Department Commander of the G. A. R., Olympia, Wash.:

Dear Sir and Comrade—I last year sent to the Department Com-

mander a full report of our order as it then existed in this Department, which met with such hearty appreciation that I am this year minded to do the same.

The order which I have the honor to represent as Department President, while not an auxiliary of the Grand Army of the Republic, is yet on account of its eligibility of blood relationship so closely allied to the veterans that I feel they must also take an interest in our work. Trusting there may be at least some features of this report which you will care to incorporate in your report, I herewith submit the following:

At our meeting last year we had in this Department 6 circles, instituted since that time * more circles, making a total of 12 circles in this Department. When we met last year we had 164 sisters in good standing; have gained during the year, 322, making a total of 486 at the present time. At our meeting last year we had 199 honorary members, and have gained since that time 120, making a total of 319, making our total membership 805 at the present time. We have paid during the year for relief, \$139.00; to the G. A. R., \$57.25; for relief other than money, \$108.25. Wm. McKinley Circle, No. 11, of Seattle, has raised \$401.00, which has been expended for improving the G. A. R. plot in cemetery, which was sadly in need of the care which they are giving it. It is our custom to place a flag on the breast of each deceased comrade, where we are granted the privilege, and also hold a short memorial service. Sixteen times during the past year we have performed this service, in several instances no friends save the ladies of the G. A. R. being present.

Trusting we shall have the pleasure of meeting and greeting you at our convention, I am yours in F. C. & L.,

SUE E. STINE, Dept. President.
MARY E. KNAPP, Dept. Secretary.
401 Jefferson Street.

Comrade Holmes, of No. 1, presented and read the following paper, which was referred to the Committee on Resolutions:

Seattle, May 28, 1904.

To Stevens Post, No. 1:

Comrades—Your Committee on Soldiers' Home beg leave to further report as follows:

Over ten per cent of the soldiers, sailors and marines who served in the army and navy of the United States during the War of the Rebellion are now or have been members of a national or state home. As time goes on, of course, this percentage will largely increase.

Besides the eight national homes nearly every state in the Union maintains a Soldiers' Home and several states maintain two.

The same rules of admission do not apply to all the state homes. Some admit Union veterans only, others admit veterans who served the United States in any of its wars; still others admit the wives and children of veterans, while New York and Nebraska maintain separate homes for veterans and their families.

Most of the seceded states have homes for the Confederate veterans.

The Washington Home admits Union veterans, veterans of the Spanish-American war and the Philippine insurrection, the Indian wars of Oregon and Washington and militiamen disabled while in the line of duty, but does not admit veterans of the Mexican war or make provision in the home for the wives and families of veterans.

The United States government pays the state one hundred dollars a year for each veteran maintained in the state homes, but this, of course, does not apply to the Confederates.

For several years prior to June, 1902, there was maintained at Orting in connection with the state home what was commonly known as the "Colony." The veterans of the colony while borne on the rolls of the home lived with their families at the village of Orting and received from the home rations and clothing at a cost to the state of about one hundred dollars a year, the same amount received by the state from the general government.

This arrangement was fairly satisfactory and while it continued your committee did not feel called upon to take any action. The colony system having been discontinued June 1, 1902, your committee prepared a bill for a Branch Home, a copy of which may be found on page 162 of the minutes of this post. This bill was introduced in the house of representatives January 29, 1903, by Comrade Geo. W. Tibbetts, and known as House Bill No. 192. "An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a branch of the State Soldiers' Home for honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who have served the United States government in any of its wars, members of the state militia disabled while in the line of duty, and who are bona fide citizens of this state, and also the wives of such soldiers, sailors and marines."

With the consent of Comrade Tibbetts the bill was amended in the house, reducing the appropriation from thirty to ten thousand dollars and the allowance for the site from ten to one thousand dollars, and as amended the bill passed the house on March 10, 1903, only Representative J. T. Johnson, of Ferry county, voting against it. The bill passed the senate March 12, Senator Sumner, of Sno-

homish county, being the only senator voting nay. Gov. McBride vetoed the bill after the adjournment of the legislature.

The bill is a meritorious one and really is in the interests of economy, as it will provide a home and maintenance, largely at the expense of the national government, for many disabled veterans and their wives who are now supported by the posts out of the soldiers' relief fund. The number of veterans seeking admission to the home will increase for many years to come and the cost of providing for them at the new home will be but little more than what otherwise will be required at the old home, and the new buildings required can all be placed at the branch home.

Your committee was at first inclined to recommend that an effort be made to pass the bill over the veto, but for reasons which it is not considered necessary to explain in this report, now respectfully recommend as follows:

1. That the veto be sustained.
2. That the bill be re-introduced at the beginning of the next session of the legislature with the following additional provisions:
 - (a). That the appropriation be fifty thousand dollars, not more than ten thousand dollars of the same to be used for the purchase of a site.
 - (b). That the site to be selected shall be upon the tidewaters of Puget Sound and that scenic beauty be one of the objects sought in the location.
 - (c). That outside of the few larger buildings required the home be built upon the "Cottage Plan."
3. That a Committee on Soldiers' Home, consisting of the Department Commander ex-officio, and six other members be appointed by the Department Encampment and instructed to urge the establishment of the Branch Home, confer with the state board or control in regard to location of same and have charge of all matters of legislation relating to veterans.
4. That your committee be authorized to take such further steps as may be deemed necessary to accomplish the foregoing.

Respectfully submitted,

M. M. HOLMES,
A. O. BENJAMIN,
J. N. WALLINGFORD,
H. A. BIGELOW,
A. BARNEY,
B. F. LUCE,

Committee on Soldiers' Home.

Unanimously adopted at a regular meeting of Stevens Post,

No. 1, G. A. R., held May 28, 1904, and ordered presented to the Department Encampment.

WILLES L. AMES, *Commander.*

J. J. HAMBRIGHT, *Adjutant.*

On motion of Comrade See, of 68, it was ordered that a committee of three be appointed to visit the ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Thereupon the Department Commander appointed Comrades See, of 68, H. A. Bigelow, of No. 1, and W. W. Swing, of No. 15.

At this juncture there was unfurled by Department Color-bearer Dickerson a beautiful white silk banner splendidly and appropriately mounted, bearing in gilded letters the name of the Department, which in behalf of the patriotic ladies who devised and presented it, the Department Commander formally and eloquently presented it to the Department.

Comrade Garretson, Judge Advocate, received the banner on behalf of the Department.

The donors of this splendid banner are Mrs. Levi Ankeny, Mrs. Thos. H. Cavanaugh, Mrs. J. C. Robinson, Mrs. F. H. Van Eaton and Mrs. Gilbert Hunt.

It was ordered that a committee consisting of Comrades Wiscomb, Garretson and Wiestling, communicate in writing, with each of the ladies, assurances of the great pleasure and gratitude aroused by their generosity.

Whereas, at the Twenty-second annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in the city of Bellingham on June 22nd and 23rd, 1904, Mrs. Levy Ankeny, Mrs. Gilbert Hunt, Mrs. F. H. Van Eaton, Mrs. T. H. Cavanaugh and Mrs. J. C. Robinson, prompted by a laudable spirit of patriotism and by a commendable and generous interest in the welfare and prosperity of our organization, presented to the Department a beautiful silk standard, emblazoned with most appropriate and artistic designs and emblems, and

Whereas, an act of patriotism so praiseworthy and of friendship for this Department so practical and generous, merits our enthusiastic appreciation and heartfelt gratitude; and

Whereas, by unanimous vote, the Encampment has signified its most cordial thanks to these noble and generous friends, for their beautiful and very appropriate gift, thus unmistakably voicing the sentiment of every member of the Department; and being desirous of expressing to them in suitable words its sincere sentiment of gratitude and appreciation for their most valuable gift, and of the high esteem in which they are each and all regarded by this Encampment; therefore, be it

Resolved, First, That in the very thoughtful, liberal and patriotic gift of so beautiful, artistic and appropriate Department standard, the Department recognizes and gratefully acknowledges a generous act of patriotic friendship on the part of these ladies, who have thus so thoughtfully and appropriately supplied our long felt want for a Department standard, of which we can at all times feel proud.

Second, That the very generous and patriotic presentation to this Department of so beautiful and appropriate Department standard proves most conclusively and practically the warm and steadfast friendship of these loyal and patriotic women for the comrades of this Department and is an example of devotion to the flag and to our order, worthy of our highest commendation and praise and this Department hereby gratefully extends to each and all of them its most sincere thanks and lasting gratitude.

Resolved, That a copy of these preambles and resolutions, signed by the committee, be forwarded to each of the ladies to whom the Department is so gratefully indebted for the generous and friendly gift of so beautiful a Department standard.

J. M. WIESTLING,
W. H. WISCOMBE,
H. T. GARRETSON,
Committee.

Comrade Coffman, of Ladd 17, by unanimous consent addressed the Encampment upon the Soldiers' Home at Orting and its management.

The next order of business being the choice of a place for the meeting of the next Encampment, Vancouver, Wash., was unanimously chosen.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of Department officers for the next ensuing term

was announced and for Department Commander Comrade E. M. Schraack, of 31, nominated Frank M. Davis, of 31.

Comrade Dunning of No. 8, nominated J. M. Fish, of No. 75. Comrade M. C. Cole, of No. 24, nominated W. H. Mock, of No. 24, and Comrade H. F. Garretson, of No. 6, nominated A. M. Chesney, of No. 6.

The balloting proceeded until the tally showed that Comrade Davis had received a sufficient number of votes to assure his election, whereupon, on motion of Comrade J. M. Fish, seconded by a number of other, it was ordered that the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot of the Encampment for Comrade Davis, which being done, he was declared duly elected.

FOR SENIOR VICE COMMANDER.

Comrade C. R. Connors, of No. 8, nominated J. A. Green, of No. 104, and there being no further nominations, it was ordered that the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot of the Encampment for Comrade Green, which was done and he was accordingly elected.

FOR JUNIOR VICE COMMANDER.

Comrade F. B. Morse, of No. 4, was nominated by Comrade Holmes, of No. 1, and there being no further nominations it was ordered that the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot of the Encampment for Comrade Morse and he was accordingly declared duly elected.

FOR MEDICAL DIRECTOR.

Comrade Lovell, of No. 6, nominated J. E. Gandy, of No. 8. No further nominations being offered the Assistant Adjutant General was ordered to cast the ballot of the Encampment for Comrade J. E. Gandy, the ballot being cast as ordered, he was accordingly elected.

FOR CHAPLAIN.

Comrade Bigelow, of No. 1, nominated Jno. Le Cornu, of

No. 62. There being no other nominations the Assistant Adjutant General was ordered to cast the ballot of the Encampment for Comrade Le Cornu and which being done, he was accordingly elected.

FOR COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Comrade J. A. Risedorp, of No. 1, H. W. Wiscombe, of No. 49; B. C. Levy, of No. 31; A. M. Chesney, of No. 6, and T. F. Matan, of No. 110, were placed in nomination and there being no further nominations the Assistant Adjutant General was ordered to cast the ballot of the Encampment for the list as stated and they were accordingly elected.

FOR DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

The following nominations were made:

At Large—Comrade R. H. Hall, of No. 18.

Delegates—Comrade Edwin Sharpe, of No. 44; Comrade A. D. Quint, of No. 68, and Comrade Jos. Dickerson, of No. 31.

FOR ALTERNATES.

At Large—Chas. R. Connors, of No. 8; J. M. McFarland, of No. 94; W. J. Sterling, of No. 1, and H. G. York were nominated.

There being no further nominations it was ordered that the Assistant Adjutant General cast the ballot of the Encampment for the said nominees for Delegates and Alternates to the National Encampment, which was done and they were accordingly elected.

In like manner these were elected:

FOR BANNER BEARER.

Comrade David Dowden, of No. 6.

FOR TRUMPETER.

Comrade J. G. Gundlach, of No. 47.

The Encampment then adjourned until Thursday, June 23rd, at 10 a. m.

June 23, 1904.

The Encampment was called to order at the appointed hour and took a recess until 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Encampment was reconvened at 1:30 p. m.

Invocation by Comrade Mock.

A delegation from the Woman's Relief Corps consisting of Mrs. Mattison, Mrs. Griffiths and Mrs. Edmond was announced.

Comrades Waters, Chesney and Ames were detailed to escort and introduce the delegation.

Commander Cavanaugh welcomed the visitors.

Mrs. Mattison eloquently responded. Mrs. Griffiths followed in an earnest appeal for the enlargement of the place of our public schools in the observance of Memorial Day.

Mrs. Edmond entertained the Encampment by rendering in splendid voice a war time favorite melody.

Comrade Garretson submitted the report of the Committee on Address of the Department Commander, which is as follows:

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Bellingham, Wash., June 23rd, 1904.

To the Twenty-second Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.:

Your committee, to whom was referred the address of the Department Commander, Thomas H. Cavanaugh, beg leave to report thereon as follows:

That we have carefully perused the same and unanimously recommend it to the comrades and the citizen of the state of Washington as a model document. All should read and give careful consideration

to its timely and practical recommendations therein; a fitting finale to a successful and eminently practical administration of the affairs of this Department.

We wish to especially emphasize the recommendations in relation to—

First: Suspensions for non-payment of dues and the exercise of that power, tempered with the kindest expression of fraternity, charity and loyalty.

Second: The salutary suggestions relating to the disbursement of the state Relief Fund.

Third: The recommendation that there should be at least one comrade of the G. A. R. on the board of control, and a tribunal established to discipline, for any infraction of the rules of the Home by the inmates.

Fourth: We most earnestly commend the recommendations as to another Soldiers' Home on the "Cottage Home" plan upon as lovely a site as can be found in our Evergreen State, resplendent with scenery, both mountain and marine. Who is better entitled to recognition by the state than the veterans of our Civil War?

Fifth: A new Department Roster. It should be ordered at once.

Sixth: The recommendation that a Committee on Legislation be appointed is a very important suggestion, and should take form at once. Past experience has taught us that "Republics are ungrateful," only because of a careless neglect, and not through design, for which we are partly responsible. An intelligent committee to present our righteous claims is the remedy.

Seventh: We further recommend that the Commander's address and this report be printed in pamphlet form and copies sent by the Adjutant General to the members-elect of the legislature immediately after the state election and to the other officers of this state.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. RISENDORPH,
JOSEPH SANTS,
H. F. GARRETTSON,

On motion of Comrade Wiestling the report was unanimously adopted.

The report of the Committee on Resolutions was read and adopted as follows:

Bellingham, June 23, 1904.

To the Twenty-second Annual Encampment, Department of Washington and Alaska:

Your Committee on Resolutions submit the following and recommend its adoption:

Resolved, that we extend our thanks to the Secretary of the Navy for the orders in regard to the warships in this harbor, which have been a very interesting feature, and to the officers in command of the Wyoming, Perry and Paul Jones for the courtesies extended by them to the members of the G. A. R. To the local posts and other orders and to the mayor, city officers and citizens of Bellingham, all of whom have made this Encampment so complete and perfect a success.

We further recommend that the communication from Stevens Post, No. 1, in relation to a branch Soldiers' Home be referred to the Committee on Legislation for such action as may be deemed beneficial to the Department.

(Signed) GEO. H. BOARDMAN,
N. E. LINSLEY,
H. A. BIGELOW,
C. D. SPENCER.

Comrade John J. See, from the committee to visit the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps, reported that the committee had performed that duty.

On motion of Comrade Chesney, of No. 6, the matter of increase in the allowance for indigent relief fund was referred to the Committee on Legislation.

On motion of Comrade Wiscomb it was ordered that the Acting Assistant Adjutant General be allowed ten (10) dollars for his services at this Encampment.

Comrade Devers, of No. 25, addressed the Encampment on the inefficiency and unfairness of medical examiners of applicants for pensions.

Comrade Garretson, from the committee to visit the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, reported that the committee had performed the duty assigned to it.

Comrade Gillette, of No. 24, announced that souvenir badges would be forwarded to those who would leave their addresses.

Comrade Thos. H. Cavanaugh, Department Commander, gave notice that he offered and would ask the adoption of an amendment to the By-laws of the Department of Washington

and Alaska, providing that the election of officers shall be the closing order of business of the Department Encampment.

No further business appearing the Department Commander announced that the officers chosen to serve the Department for the next ensuing term would be installed at Eagles' hall, beginning at 4:30 p. m. this afternoon.

He concluded by renewing his assurances of profound gratitude to comrades present and throughout the Department for the spirit of fraternity, charity and loyalty which had characterized and leavened all of the posts and the comrades with whom he had officially or personally met during his term.

The Encampment was then closed *sine die*.

RECORD OF DEATHS

In the Department of Washington and Alaska, from January 1, 1903, to January 1, 1904.

Post No.	NAME.	RANK.	CO.	REGIM'T.	STATE.	DATE OF DEATH.
54	E. J. Hoxie.....	Private	A	1st Cav.	Wis.	February, 1903
54	W. M. Kluge.....	Private	A	7th Inf.	Minn.	February 19, 1903
54	G. A. McDonald.....	Private	H	6th	Maine	April, 1903
19	S. B. Ripley.....	Private	H	4th Cav.	Tenn.	June 29, 1903
30	Wm. M. Martzel.....	Private	G	3d Cav.	Penn.	Date not given.
30	S. R. Baverstock.....	1st Lieut.				
30	W. R. Dunbar.....	Private	A	1st Cav.	Iowa	April 11, 1903
32	William Lane.....	Private	A	1st Cav.	Iowa	April 11, 1903
39	Art Colburn.....	Private	K	1st	Minn.	August 6, 1903
104	Edoach Foster.....	Private	A	18th Inf.	Ills.	February 24, 1903
151	Wm. Ludlow.....	Private	A	1st Eng.	Mo.	March 8, 1903
89	H. P. Marshall.....	Private	A	31st	Maine	March 6, 1903
89	S. A. Torwilliger.....	Private	K	35th	Wis.	April 14, 1903
89	L. H. Coon.....	Lieut.	A	11th Cav.	Mo.	June 4, 1903
8	Henry Weil.....	Private	B	11th	Mich.	January 1, 1903
80	Hiram G. Chandler.....	Private	F	12th Inf.	N. Y.	April 21, 1903
48	Thomas H. Bradley.....	Captain	D	21st Inf.		April 7, 1903
6	L. B. Lavine.....	Private	I	49th Inf.	Wis.	January 2, 1903
6	G. V. Mannett.....	Sergeant	I	143d	N. Y.	March 30, 1903
35	Oscar Slosson.....	Private	A	11th Cav.	Penn.	May 8, 1903
72	E. W. Hulse.....	Private	I	43d Inf.	Wis.	March 10, 1903
58	James Abbott.....	Private	A	1st Art.	Minn.	March 8, 1903
4	B. C. Bodell.....	Sergeant	L	6th	Mich.	May 28, 1903
4	Geo. M. Sawidge.....	Captain	G	11th Inf.	N. J.	May 19, 1903
5	N. H. Orving.....	Lt.-Col.	St.	30th		February 5, 1903
5	David Morrell.....	Private	K	48th Inf.	N. Y.	March 1, 1903
5	J. Fiddell.....	Private	D	88d	Ills.	June 21, 1903
5	Clay C. Seajnt.....	Private	D	88d		February 19, 1903
31	R. S. Draper.....	Private				March, 1903
31	W. W. Robinson.....	Colonel			Wis.	April, 1903
31	S. C. Battensfield.....	Private	D	14th	Ohio	May, 1903
3	H. C. Van Horn.....	Private	D	11th Cav.	Kan.	December 1, 1903
1	Benj. Crawford.....	Private	E	18th Inf.	Ind.	December 24, 1903
1	J. A. Willock.....	Private				
1	I. Dalingle.....	Private				
10	W. H. Smiley.....	Private	I	36th Inf.	Iowa	January 30, 1903
5	C. W. Mattson.....	Private	E	83d Inf.	Ills.	May, 1903
2	L. H. Barr.....	Private	G	3d Inf.	Minn.	January 29, 1903
10	J. W. Anderson.....	Private	A	19th Inf.	Maine	February 12, 1903
2	W. N. Toudson.....	Private	D	9th Inf.	Minn.	January 9, 1903
14	Edwin S. Judd.....	Private	B	10th Inf.	Wis.	June 4, 1903
17	Private				
23	Private				
24	C. A. Archer.....	Private	A	18th Inf.	Mo.	January 22, 1903
37	J. W. Green.....	Private	A	18th Inf.	Mo.	June 2, 1903
39	Private				
44	J. Tidball.....	Private	D	88d	Ills.	June 21, 1902
57	C. W. Houghton.....	3d Lieut.	H	163d Inf.	Ills.	January 12, 1903
6	R. M. Laughlin.....	Sergeant	A	48th	N. Y.	July 16, 1903
6	W. H. Morrill.....	Corporal	A	2d	Minn.	October 10, 1903
6	B. F. Wood.....	Sergeant	H	18th Cav.	N. Y.	August 30, 1903
6	Thos. Higgins.....	Private	D	1st	D. C.	November 23, 1903
17	Chas. E. Jenkins.....	Private	L	2d	Minn.	December 11, 1903
8	Wm. F. Carline.....	General				October 4, 1903
8	Chas. Frick.....	Private	B	27th Inf.	Wis.	December 4, 1903
15	J. T. Brown.....	Private	C	1st	Ohio	December 23, 1903
17	S. Riggs.....	Private	H	37th Inf.	Iowa	November 7, 1903
19	S. B. Ripley.....	Private	F	4th Inf.	Tenn.	July 18, 1903
30	Wm. Kluge.....	Private				October 16, 1903
31	Eugene Cully.....	Private				September, 1903
31	R. S. Gardner.....	Private				September, 1903

 RECORD OF DEATHS (Continued.)

Post No.	NAME	RANK.	CO.	REGIM'T.	STATE.	DATE OF DEATH.
35	J. W. Newman.....	Private	B	11th Inf.	Maine	December 9, 1903
47	M. V. Elliott.....	Private	D	30th Inf.	Ills.	November 19, 1903
47	J. B. Bonway.....	Private	F	2d	N. H.	December 5, 1903
48	Benj. Anderson.....	Private	A	37th Inf.	Wis.	December 25, 1903
52	M. W. Waino.....	Private	B	1st	Cro.	
54	W. H. Roberts.....	Bugler	L	1st	Wis.	August 30, 1903
80	Francis Hall.....	Private	C	1st Inf.	Minn.	September 6, 1903
89	George Johnson.....	Private	B	31st	Ills.	November 28, 1903

 *Reported, no names given.

 APPENDIX.

APPENDIX.

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

Olympia, Wash., June 3, 1903.

General Orders

No. 2.

I. The Twenty-first Annual Encampment of this Department held in the city of Spokane closed its sessions on the 28th ult. In assuming command of the Department to which I was chosen by that Encampment, I have the following announcements to make:

Headquarters have been established at the Hall of George H. Thomas Post, Olympia, Washington, where all official communications will be addressed, and until further notice, to E. W. Elliot, A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.

II. The regulations require the transmission of the semi-annual reports and per capita tax of the Department to National Headquarters, immediately after the close of the half year ending June 30th, and as a due compliance with this rule depends upon the semi-annual reports of the posts, it is urgently requested that post Adjutants and Quartermasters promptly forward their reports at the close of the last meeting in June.

III. The per capita tax remains as heretofore, forty cents per annum upon every comrade in good standing, payable semi-annually.

IV. Appointments of staff officers will be announced in subsequent orders.

By command of

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Department Commander.

Official:

E. W. ELLIOT,

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

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

Olympia, Wash., June 10, 1903.

General Orders

No. 3.

I. At the Twenty-first Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, held in the

city of Spokane, May 26-28, 1903, the following officers of the Department were duly elected and installed:

Commander—Thos. H. Cavanaugh, George H. Thomas Post, No. 5, Olympia.

Senior Vice Commander—J. M. Fish, E. J. Houghton Post, No. 75, Harvey.

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

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

Chaplain—Rev. Jno. LeCornu, General Milroy Post, No. 62, Latah.

Council of Administration—W. H. Wiscombe, General J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane; J. E. Risendorph, Stevens Post, No. 1, Seattle; J. A. Green, Harrison Post, No. 104, Chelan; F. M. Davis, J. F. Miller Post, No. 31, Seattle; J. A. Dix, Jno. A. Logan Post, No. 16, Garfield.

Delegates to the National Encampment, San Francisco, Cal., August 17-23, 1903—George H. Boardman, Custer Post, No. 6, Tacoma, Delegate at Large.

Delegates—W. H. Wiscombe, General J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane; H. H. Wolfe, Alfred Sully Post, No. 3, Dayton; T. M. Young, Stevens Post, No. 1, Seattle.

Alternates—Wm. Badger, Meade Post, No. 9, North Yakima; D. L. Crossen, Sedgwick Post, No. 8, Spokane; W. A. Inman, Nat Lyon Post, No. 19, Colfax; W. A. Bailey, J. F. Miller Post, No. 31, Seattle.

Department Color Bearer—Joseph Dickenson, J. F. Miller Post, No. 31, Seattle.

II. The appointment of the following staff officers is hereby announced:

Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General—J. C. Robinson, George H. Thomas Post, No. 5, Olympia.

Acting Assistant Adjutant General and Acting Quartermaster General—S. T. Armstrong, Phil Sheridan Post, No. 44, Tacoma.

Chief of Staff—B. C. Levy, J. F. Miller Post, No. 31, Seattle.

Senior Aide-de-Camp—Jere Brisbin, J. B. Steadman Post, No. 24, Whatcom.

Department Trumpeter—J. C. Gunlach, General J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane.

Committee on Transportation—Harry A. Bigelow, Stevens Post, No. 1, Seattle, chairman; F. M. Davis, J. F. Miller Post, No. 31, Seattle; Charles R. Connor, Sedgwick Post, No. 8, Spokane.

III. The attention of all Post Adjutants and Quartermasters is

called to paragraph in General Orders No. 2 relating to the semi-annual per capita tax and post reports, due at these headquarters on June 30th next. As the reports of the several posts must be compiled and tabulated, and the per capita tax due from the Department and the Department reports must be promptly transmitted to National Headquarters immediately upon the close of the half ending June 30, 1903, promptness in transmitting these reports to headquarters must be observed. The per capita tax is twenty cents for the half year. Promptness marks every act of the soldier. Be prompt.

IV. All requirements for supplies must be accompanied by express or postal money order, payable to the order of J. C. Robinson, A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G., Olympia, Washington.

V. Post Commanders are directed to name a comrade of their post, worthy, equipped and well qualified, as Aide-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander; also a comrade for appointment as Assistant Inspector; and still another comrade for member of the Board of Patriotic Instruction. These and such other appointments as may be made will be published in later orders. It is desirable that the Post Commanders in making their selections and recommendations to the Department Commander shall select those who are best fitted and who are active and enthusiastic Grand Army men, and who will faithfully and promptly discharge the duties of the position they are to fill.

The position of the Department Commander in regard to his presence at headquarters is such that he has, for the good of the service and the dispatch of the business of the Department, appointed and commissioned S. T. Armstrong, Phil Sheridan Post, No. 44, Acting Assistant Adjutant General. He will be respected and recognized as such officer.

VII. The Department Commander asks the cordial co-operation and assistance of each and every officer and comrade, that the year upon which we are entering may be the most prosperous and satisfactory in the history of the Department. Life is too short for strife and bickering. Let harmony and good fellowship pervade our corps, and forbearance and charity mark all our acts. Let good comradeship and all the characteristics of good soldiers be and abide within the camp of every post in the Department.

By command of

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,
Department Commander.

Official:

J. C. Robinson,
A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.

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

General Orders

No. 4.

Olympia, Wash., July 27, 1903.

I. The following appointments upon the staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced:

Judge Advocate—H. F. Garretson, Custer Post, No. 6, Tacoma.

Inspector General—J. A. Harris, Genl. J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane.

Chief Mustering Officer—B. Danihy, Phil Kearney Post, No. 7, Toledo.

Chairman Committee on Patriotic Instruction—C. D. Spencer, T. P. Price Post, No. 82, Centralia.

II. The attention of the Post Commanders is called to paragraph five of General Orders No. 3, and the Department Commander directs that such as have not complied with terms of said paragraph will do so without delay.

By order of

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Department Commander.

Official:

S. T. Armstrong,
A. A. A. G.

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

Olympia, Wash., October 31, 1903.

General Orders

No. 5.

The Department Commander announces the following appointments upon the Department Staff:

Post.	ASSIST. INSPECTOR GENERAL.	AID-DE-CAMP.	PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTION.	POSTOFFICE.
1	J. E. Risedorph.....	J. M. Weistling.....	F. M. Hurd.....	Seattle
2	J. C. Fick.....	Joseph Eterkit.....	Jas. A. Snodgrass.....	Vancouver
3	Jacob Balfourwater.....	Chas. Knobelock.....	D. H. Kimball.....	Darton
4	John F. McLean.....	Frank B. Morse.....	W. S. Harmon.....	Walla Walla
5	Comrade Harkness.....	H. Cruikshank.....	O. V. Iverson.....	Olympia
6	Don G. Lovell.....	C. H. Holmes.....	A. Woodworth.....	Tacoma
7	T. B. Mitchell.....	Joseph Lamplit.....	R. L. Calvig.....	Toledo
8	D. L. Crossen.....	A. S. Paul.....	K. Grossman.....	Spokane
9	John H. Hessey.....	D. L. Druse.....	E. Bogie.....	North Yakima
10	Henry Haivers.....	E. D. Dean.....	D. Seely.....	Snohomish
11	Levi Summers.....	George Carver.....	David Kinbold.....	Ellensburg
12	John Chalmers.....	Joseph Smith.....	C. Kalahan.....	Kalama
13	F. A. Boyer.....	E. L. Wade.....	Thomas Stone.....	Montesano
14	W. W. Suing.....	M. L. Heltsel.....	Jacob Smith.....	Sprague
15	J. M. Dicus.....	Edward Rose.....	Wm. D. West.....	Port Townsend
16	C. A. Green.....	E. M. Giles.....	J. A. Dix.....	Garfield
17	R. H. Ball.....	J. F. Dudley.....	A. S. Riggs.....	Puyallup
18	C. Von Lachman.....	E. D. Lake.....	Thomas Hasle.....	Le Couner
19	F. B. Stinson.....	Joseph Clegg.....	Bery Baker.....	Coxfax
20	C. H. Bingham.....	E. W. Pike.....	A. S. Stout.....	Goldendale
21	Wm. H. Dean.....	S. G. Grub.....	H. M. Moyer.....	Pomeroy
22	S. E. Fancey.....	M. C. Cole.....	John Scriber.....	Cheeny
23	Sanford Black.....	John Denver.....	Robert Grove.....	Chewalla
24	Art Colburn.....	J. C. Poe.....	David Notman.....	Palouse City
25	George Klameck.....	W. A. Bailey.....	J. O. Rockwell.....	Seattle
26	C. C. Paul.....	S. P. Hughes.....	John W. Whiter.....	Bialne
27	D. F. Anderson.....	W. P. Ward.....	P. M. Holsington.....	Rosalia
28	D. P. Deatur.....	Wilde Brown.....	C. D. Kimball.....	Mt. Vernon
29	W. H. Smith.....	D. P. Welsh.....	M. H. Tate.....	Asotin
30	George James.....	William Kirk.....	Herbert Winhoff.....	Widner
31	H. H. Brockman.....	W. B. Smith.....	L. L. Wing.....	Rockford
32	Chas. Vinup.....	W. W. Palmer.....	G. M. Hammond.....	Ladson
33	A. S. Johnson.....	C. F. W. Bachman.....	C. G. Robins.....	Tacoma
34	J. F. Badger.....	J. L. Dutton.....	C. C. Brownfield.....	Waterville
35	J. W. Brown.....	Henry Le Freely.....	C. K. Harvey.....	Bert
36	F. P. Weymouth.....	W. H. Forney.....	Gideon Howell.....	Spokane
37	R. R. Harding.....	Thomas Balah.....	H. W. Duty.....	Gelegies
38	S. M. Patton.....	Thomas Hill.....	David Keefer.....	Kelso
39	David Hart.....	George Hart.....	J. H. Warnock.....	Auburn
40	R. S. Paulson.....	M. H. Tuttle.....	Michael Dunkin.....	Houquiam
41	K. P. Allen.....	M. F. Taylor.....	B. F. Taylor.....	Pullman
42	Wm. Weaver.....	Wm. Daugherty.....	Jas. H. May.....	Oreling
43	B. F. Brown.....	A. G. Sweeney.....	Henry Metz.....	Winlock
44	E. C. Van Moler.....	T. B. Steieman.....	J. H. Sprague.....	Ballard
45	S. W. Jacobus.....	C. A. Barton.....	E. Van O' Linder.....	Bushon
46	A. B. Hart.....	S. P. Tapping.....	M. M. Soles.....	Fairhaven
47	A. Howard.....	J. Rockford.....	George Emley.....	Reardon
48	D. N. Lalic.....	Camp Sefros.....	John Le Corat.....	Tekoa
49	Z. F. Smith.....	C. R. Robinson.....	A. Hopkins.....	Aberdeen
50	A. E. Bidgood.....	Jacob Keller.....	H. Wechsner.....	Sprague
51	Moses Hoyt.....	Thomas Landers.....	Petis Owen.....	Mossy Rock
52	G. C. Marsh.....	John J. See.....	A. P. Gillenwater.....	A. Cnocores
53	J. S. Brown.....	F. H. Gudge.....	J. H. Turner.....	South Bend
54	Fred Kielling.....	W. E. Reinhold.....	Wm. Richmond.....	Chenail
55	J. D. Omsis.....	F. E. McDougal.....	N. C. Jones.....	Rockley
56	Jesse Howell.....	A. Allen.....	J. B. Long.....	Waysside
57	Charles Grow.....	T. S. Pierce.....	J. F. Thompson.....	Sumner
58	Geo. Diehlman.....	A. S. Hall.....	A. C. Brown.....	Friday Harbor
59	Herbert Childs.....	J. O. Gifford.....	W. T. Bryant.....	Harvey
60	Elmer Rockwell.....	S. E. Nicholson.....	Geo. H. Seave.....	Leit
61	H. Woodworth.....	M. B. Hunt.....	J. Bold.....	Gig Harbor
62	H. Bosswell.....	Geo. Brumbaugh.....	A. Porter.....	Elma
63	J. M. Webb.....	P. Pomeroy.....	A. Rhodes.....	Centralia
64	C. Hall.....	J. Goggs.....	H. Martin.....	Kelso
65	C. M. Bartlett.....	P. H. Seay.....	W. J. Alexander.....	Port Orchard

Post.	ASSIST. INSPECTOR GENERAL.	AID-DE-CAMP.	PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTION.	POSTOFFICE.
86	Levi Rogers.....	C. J. Rowley.....	A. L. Blair.....	Arlington
87	N. V. Fremburg.....	C. A. Smith.....	C. H. Newton.....	South Tacoma
88	J. R. Brown.....	J. Bilekendorfer.....	J. Bancroft.....	Farmington
89	W. F. Armstrong.....	J. T. Sherley.....	James A. Buckley.....	Everett
90	L. H. Decker.....	J. B. Ritter.....	Daniel Kesley.....	Shelton
92	John Benson.....	F. A. Le Sourd.....	Jerome Ely.....	Coupeville
93	James R. McKee.....	A. S. Stewart.....	R. R. Stewart.....	Davenport
94	H. V. Hinman.....	O. M. Torrence.....	J. McFarland.....	Mission
95	James H. Malette.....	A. L. Pierson.....	G. C. Williams.....	Whatecom
96	Geo. W. Tibbets.....	D. F. Wilkes.....	C. Smith.....	Issaquah
97	Jonathan Myers.....	Thos. Thompson.....	Abraham Garl.....	Burlington
98	D. J. Zent.....	Thos. J. King.....	John R. Crawford.....	Colville
99	T. J. Holcomb.....	J. G. Bradley.....	E. J. Alger.....	Orting
100	G. W. Hardy.....	Jas. Berridge.....	G. W. Nease.....	Mead
102	N. N. Hanson.....	L. A. Woodard.....	Gates Sexton.....	Charleston
103	C. H. Jones.....	Wm. Russell.....	John Taylor.....	Seattle
104	Charles Johnson.....	S. E. Phillips.....	H. C. Keeler.....	Chelan
105	G. W. Ferguson.....	J. G. Palmer.....	E. L. Delevan.....	Wenatchee
106	U. Lamphire.....	J. T. Grove.....	Levi Anderson.....	Deer Park
107	J. R. Vannatta.....	H. A. Gregory.....	Robert Hubbard.....	Granite Falls
108	Robert Patterson.....	A. Crumby.....	John W. Moore.....	Bothell
110	A. E. Reith.....	C. Thomas.....	B. F. Whitaker.....	Bremerton
111	Edward Cornwell.....	D. C. Ingraham.....	Henry G. Stratton.....	Waitsburg

The Assistant Inspectors General hereby appointed will make inspection of their several posts before December 31st, 1903, and will make report to Comrade J. A. Harris, Inspector General, Spokane, Wash.

The Commander of the Department directs that the Assistant Inspector General shall examine the accounts of the Post Quartermasters and the reports of the Post Adjutants. Shall report upon the manner in which they are kept; and make any suggestions relating thereto, as the best interests of the post and order may demand.

The members of the Committee on Patriotic Instruction are requested to familiarize themselves with the instructions relating to their duties and to promptly discharge the same. They will prepare and forward a report to Comrade C. D. Spencer, chairman of the Committee on Patriotic Instruction, at Centralia, Wash.

There are still a number of copies of the journal of the 36th National Encampment held at Washington, D. C., at department headquarters which will be sent on request and upon receipt of 12 cents to pay postage.

By command of

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Official:

Department Commander.

J. C. ROBINSON,

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

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Olympia, Wash., February 15, 1904.

General Orders

No. 6.

I. The Council of Administration met in the city of Seattle in pursuance to provisions of the resolution adopted by the Twenty-first Encampment of the Department Grand Army of the Republic, Washington and Alaska, on the 19th day of January, 1904 and named the 21st, 22nd, and 23rd days of June, 1904, for the meeting of Twenty-second Annual Encampment, Department of Washington and Alaska, in the city of Whatcom, now Bellingham.

It is therefore ordered that the Twenty-second Encampment, Department of Washington and Alaska, will meet in the city of Bellingham, Whatcom county, on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd days of June, 1904.

II. Attention is called to General Order No. 5, National Headquarters, to paragraph VI in relation to Post Rosters. Those posts that have not transmitted the Roster of members will do so at once.

III. General Orders No. 5, National Department, is transmitted herewith for the information of the members of this Department.

IV. The Executive Committee of the National Council of Administration has determined upon August 15th to 21st, 1904, for the meeting of the Thirty-eighth National Encampment in the city of Boston, Mass.

By command of

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Department Commander.

Official:

J. C. ROBINSON,

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

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Olympia, April 25, 1904.

General Orders

No. 7.

I. May 30th is the day set apart and honored as no other day; for on that day the surviving comrades of the noble dead, who died that our country might live, and that ourselves and our children should

enjoy and inherit the inestimable blessings and privileges of a republican form of government, pay a loving tribute to their memory. It is the day established by our Order and designated by law for the purpose of strewing the graves of our comrades with flowers, or otherwise decorating the resting places of our comrades who died for their country.

I. The posts in this Department will observe Memorial Day with such appropriate ceremonies as will honor the patriotism and devotion of the men who saved the Union, and infuse in the present generation a deeper love of country, a greater loyalty to our common flag, and a nobler gratitude to and a holier reverence for the memory of and for those who died and those who fought to maintain the integrity of our country.

III. The several posts of this Department will assemble at such places and at such hours on Monday, the 30th day of May, 1904, as the respective Post Commanders may direct. Invitations to participate with us should be extended to all soldiers; especially those of the Spanish and Philippine wars, the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., the Sons of Veterans, the National Guard, and to citizens generally.

IV. In accordance with the established custom of the Grand Army of the Republic, posts in a body will attend divine service on the Sunday preceding Memorial Day.

V. Post Commanders should detail suitable committees to visit the school in the cities, towns and elsewhere, in accord with such arrangements as the school officers and teachers may provide, not interfering with the due observance of Memorial services.

VI. Flags on Memorial Day will be displayed at half-mast upon public buildings, school houses and Grand Army halls.

VII. Immediately after Memorial Day, the Chaplains of the several posts will forward to Comrade John Le Cornu, Department Chaplain, Colton, Wash., full reports, recording the observance of the day in their localities, that the same may be duly reported to the next Annual Encampment.

VIII. The reading of Lincoln's Gettysburg address, as recommended, should be a part of the Memorial Day exercises, and should be made a special feature. This address is appended hereto.

By command of

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,
Department Commander.

Official:

J. C. ROBINSON,
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 battle field of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who 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."

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Olympia, Wash., May 22, 1904.

General Orders
No. 8.

I. As heretofore announced the Twenty-second Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, will be held at Bellingham, June 21, 22 and 23, 1904.

II. Headquarters of the Department will be established at Hotel Byron, and will be open at 9 a. m. on Monday, the 20th, where all comrades and their friends will be welcome.

Headquarters at Olympia will be closed Saturday, June 11, at 4 p. m.

III. The Council of Administration will meet at Headquarters at 4 p. m. on the 20th.

IV. The Committee on Credentials will consist of J. C. Robinson, Assist. Adjt. General and A. Q. M. Genl., and the following named comrades: H. A. Bigelow, P. D. C. Stevens Post, No. 1, Seattle; S. C. Fancy, P. C. Steadman Post, No. 24, Bellingham; N. H. Graves, P. C. J. L. Reno Post, No. 47, Spokane; H. C. Funk, Ellsworth Post, No. 2, Vancouver. They will report to the Adjutant General at 3 p. m. on Monday, June 20th, at headquarters at Hotel Byron, and will remain in session until the convening of the Encampment, to issue the Encampment badges to all who are entitled to seats in the Encampment. Delegates and all others entitled to these badges are urged to call upon the committee and present their credentials immediately after their arrival in the city.

Delegates must apply in person for their badges. No badges will be issued to alternates unless the delegate is absent.

Post Adjutants are directed to see that their delegates and representatives from their respective posts are furnished with proper credentials.

V. The Department Commander desires and expects a large attendance of the comrades. Let every post in the department be represented. The Department Encampment meets in the city of Bellingham upon Bellingham Bay, a stirring, busy city, where there are three posts of the Grand Army.

The Department Commander requests that the comrades urge every veteran, not a member of our Order, to attend the Encampment, assuring them of a kindly greeting and a warm welcome.

The comrades and patriotic citizens of Bellingham will extend to you the greeting of comrades and friends. Let the members of our noble Order and the veterans in the Department make the occasion memorable for the largest attendance at any Encampment.

All the Post Department Commanders are expected to be present and contribute to the success of the Encampment by their presence and good offices.

VI. The Encampment will convene at 10 a. m. on Wednesday, June 22, at Pythian hall. The W. R. C. convention will be held in Eagles' hall, June 21, at 10 a. m. The Ladies of the G. A. R. will meet, time and place to be announced later.

VII. After continued correspondence for a rate of fare for the

Encampment, the Northwest Passenger Association has fixed a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip on the certificate plan. Tickets will be on sale June 18, 1904. Persons attending the Encampment will pay full fare going, and upon a certificate of Adjutant General the several railroads will sell return tickets at one-third of the regular fare one way, provided the certificates are presented not more than two days after the close of the meeting.

Before this rate was definitely determined upon, the question was carried to the presidents of the several railways for their decision.

Cheap rates can be secured upon the steamers plying between the Sound ports and Bellingham.

The Committee on Entertainment has furnished the following schedule of rates:

Hotel Byron, \$2.00 to \$2.50 per day American plan; Hotel Laube, European plan, rooms 50 cts., 75 cts., and \$1.00 per day; Hotel Sehome, American plan, \$1.50 and \$2.00 per day; Bellingham Hotel, European plan, rooms 50 cts., 75 cts. and \$1.00 per day. Lodging houses from 25 cts. to \$1.00 per day for rooms. Restaurant prices are reasonable.

For hotel accommodations, write direct to the hotels. For accommodations at private houses, address Comrade T. W. Gillette, Bellingham.

There will be ample accommodations for all who attend the Encampment.

IX. Comrade D. N. Kilbourne, of Stevens Post, No. 1, is hereby detailed Officer of the Day; Comrade J. J. Edens, of Steadman Post, No. 24, is hereby detailed as Officer of the Guard. Commanders of Steadman Post, No. 24, C. R. Apperson, No. 59, and Plummer Post, No. 95, will detail three comrades each for duty as sentinels during the business sessions of the Encampment. The Officer of the Day will report to the Assistant Adjutant General at 8:30 a. m. on Wednesday, June 22nd, for orders.

X. The Department Commander requests that any post in the Department having in its membership a bugler, with or without a bugle, will communicate at once with Comrade J. G. Gundlach, Chief Bugler, Spokane, Wash. And the Department Commander expects the presence of every drum corps in the Department.

XI. Department, as well as staff officers, are directed to have copies of their reports in the hands of the Assistant Adjutant General, P. O. Box 555, Olympia, not later than June 4th, 1904, that the Department Commander may be advised of their work before closing his report for the Encampment.

XII. Blanks for Adjutant and Q. M. semi-annual report for the term ending June 30, 1904, is transmitted with this order. Special attention is called to these reports. Owing to the early meeting of the National Encampment, August 15th, Adjutant General Chas. A. Partridge has issued a call for the reports to be in his hands by July 15th. This means that each post must send its reports to these headquarters by July 5th, as we must have at least ten days to compile and get them ready to send forward. Post Commanders are requested to see that these reports are forwarded without delay immediately after the last meeting in June.

The journal for the Thirty-sixth National Encampment, held at Washington, D. C., was not received until after the close of the Department Encampment at Spokane. As but few of the posts have made application for the journal, it, with the journal of the Thirty-seventh National Encampment, will be distributed to the posts through their Commander or representatives in attendance upon the Encampment at Bellingham.

Tuesday, the 14th day of June, is "Flag Day." It is hoped that every comrade of the Grand Army of the Republic will show his respect for the Flag and the day by displaying the Flag over their homes and at their places of business, and request your neighbors to do the same. Invite the teachers of the public schools to arrange a special service of exercises commemorative of the birthday of our Glorious Flag.

By command of

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Department Commander.

Official:

J. C. ROBINSON,

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

(Circular Letter No. 1.)

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Olympia, Wash., July 29th, 1903.

To the Post Commanders:

The Department Commander desires to communicate the following information in relation to the railroad and steamer rates to the National Encampment Grand Army to be held in San Francisco August 17th to 23d, 1903.

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company, over whose lines every

passenger must go who visits San Francisco by railroad, has made the rate on its lines at one standard first-class fare for the round trip. This is the rate upon which the rates from Washington and adjoining states are based. The standard first-class fare from Portland to San Francisco is \$25.00, to which add the fare from your station to Portland and you have the fare to San Francisco and return.

Your Department Commander has had quite a correspondence with the officials of the Southern Pacific Railroad upon the subject of a low rate for the members of the Grand Army of the Republic to San Francisco and return, and he has been assured that the rates made are the lowest that can be made and the railroad comply with the provisions of the Elkins Law, passed by Congress at its last session. The reply has been to quote this law as the obstacle in the way of meeting the wishes of your representatives in relation to lower fares.

The Department Commander desires to call your attention to Circular Letter No. 2, issued by the Committee upon Transportation, which gives all the information possible at this time. For the energetic efforts of the Committee on Transportation, in this behalf, the thanks of the Department are heartily extended.

Headquarters for the Department have been secured at the Grand Hotel, located at Market and Montgomery streets, San Francisco, where the headquarters will be established on August 18th.

The railroad tickets will be on sale 12th and 13th of August to go by rail, and for the steamers sailing from Seattle, 5th, 6th, 10th and 11th of August, via O. R. & N. and N. P. to Portland, thence by steamer on the 8th, 9th, 13th and 14th. No stop-over allowed going. Tickets good for 60 days returning.

Respectfully, in F. C. and L.,

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Department Commander.

(Circular No. 2.)

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Olympia, Wash., January 1, 1904.

To the Post Commander and Comrades of No.

The Department Commander would urge upon you the necessity and desirability of prompt action in making the semi-annual reports,

required to be made to these Headquarters by the laws and regulations of our order. And it is ordered that the Adjutant shall forward a complete roster of the post, entering thereon the names of all members in good standing; to the end that the Assistant Adjutant General may make a correct roster of the Department.

The Department Commander extends to the Post Commander, officers and members of your post his congratulations upon the success that has attended their efforts along the lines of the Order, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty during 1903. He wishes for the post and each member thereof, a happy, successful and prosperous New Year, and earnestly urges each member of our Noble Fraternity to redoubled effort to the upbuilding of the order during the present year.

May peace, harmony and charity, possess the precincts of every post in this jurisdiction.

Respectfully yours,

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Commander.

Official:

J. C. ROBINSON, A. A. G. and Q. M. G.

(Circular No. 3.)

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Olympia, Wash., Sept. 12, 1903.

The State Fair for this year will be held at the City of North Yakima, beginning September 28th and closing October 3d, 1903.

The Commissioners of the State Fair Association have designated Friday, October 2d, 1903, as Grand Army Day.

This is the first time in the history of the Association that they have recognized the Grand Army of the Republic by giving it a special day.

The comrades of Meade Post, No. 9, of North Yakima, having in charge the arrangements for the day, extend a cordial invitation to all comrades, old soldiers and members of the several kindred organizations to attend, and assure me that there will be addresses on that day to the G. A. R. veterans, veterans of the Spanish War and Sons of Veterans, by gentlemen to be selected by the committee.

That there will be a camp fire held at night at which there will be speeches and stories of "field and camp," and such other exercises

as are usual at a camp fire. Every possible arrangement will be made for the comfort and entertainment of the comrades.

The railroads will make excursion rates for the Fair.

I would earnestly urge the comrades of the Grand Army to attend the State Fair on Grand Army Day. To make their arrangements and to let nothing interfere with their attendance, and thus show the Fair management that we appreciate their action giving the Grand Army a day at the Fair, and for their recognition of the old soldier.

Let all go that can possibly and enjoy the hospitality of the good citizens and comrades of North Yakima; to meet our comrades and see the exhibition of the resources and products of the state.

Respectfully in F. C. and L.,

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Department Commander.

Official:

J. C. ROBINSON,

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

(Circular No. 4.)

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Olympia, Washington, February 24, 1904.

The Department Commander, in view of the agitation now existing upon the matter of the Service Pension bill pending in the Congress of the United States, would respectfully call the attention of the several posts of this Department to the following letter from Genl. Jno. C. Black, Commander-in-Chief, upon the subject, and asks consideration by the posts of the matters presented therein:

National Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic, Memorial Hall,
Genl. Jno. C. Black, Commander-in-Chief.
Chas. A. Partridge, Adjutant-General. Chicago, Ills., 1904.
Commander Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., Olympia, Wash.:

Dear Sir and Comrade—The Commander-in-Chief directs me to call your attention to the fact that many of the posts of the various Departments are passing resolutions favoring some other Service Pension Bill than that authorized by the resolution of the Grand Army of the Republic at its 37th National Encampment, held at San Francisco in August, of 1903.

The highest rule of successful legislative opposition to the re-

quest of a multitude which they are unwilling to grant is the old military rule of "divide and conquer."

So surely as the Grand Army of the Republic divides in its action to any serious extent at this juncture, so surely will the bill authorized by the National Encampment, and which is to be presented by our Pension Committee to the Congress for consideration upon its re-assembling in January be defeated.

The reasons for these conclusions need not be stated at length. They will suggest themselves to every man of experience in legislative affairs. If a great constituency such as the Grand Army of the Republic is united in its earnest request for legislation great heed will be given to their request, and most respectful attention will be accorded them, the merits and demerits of the request will be carefully scanned, and the request will not be denied unless public duty compels. But on the other hand, we must recognize that this request of the Grand Army involves the disbursements or large sums of money. It involves an application to the veterans of the Great War, of policies and treatments heretofore accorded by the Congress of the United States to all the veterans of all precedent wars. Yet, so great will be the financial results that with all precedents in our favor, the action will be closely scanned and our request most critically considered.

If at this moment when the Congress is engaged with great and far reaching affairs, it can be convinced that our request is well considered, is reasonable, and that we are a unit in making it, we certainly will have great hope of success, but, if the opponents of a Service Pension can point to the fact that we are divided, that our minds are not concentrated upon a single measure, that we question its justice, and that some of us have larger and further demands to make, we will have lost before the bill shall have passed to its third reading.

Under these circumstances, the Commander-in-Chief earnestly urges that you use every means in your power for the adoption of resolutions favoring the Service Pension act called for by the 37th National Encampment. Earnestly deery efforts at this time in other directions, and for other measures of relief. I urge that you cause a resolution to be presented to each post in your Department, as simply as possible, revoking any previous action taken by said post, if any has been taken, bottoming the post's new action solidly and exclusively upon the resolution.

The Pension Committee will reach Washington about the 12th of January, 1904. It will be in session at once, and remain as long as it feels it can accomplish good; therefore, urge the posts to the earliest

possible action. Let the Commander of east post send two certified copies to your Headquarters of these resolutions, and one certified copy to the member of Congress of the District in which the post is located, or to a Senator of the state, as the post may elect. I append resolutions which sufficiently embody the idea urged in the foregoing, and in the name of the Commander-in-Chief, I beg of you all diligence in the transaction of this your very important duty, for such the Commander-in-Chief regards it to be; an effort to relieve the destitute, the widows and orphans, enjoined by the highest authority, the National Encampment itself in convention assembled.

Charles A. Partridge, Adjutant-General.

By order of John C. Black, Commander-in-Chief.

Respectfully yours in F. C. and L.,

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Department Commander.

Official:

J. C. ROBINSON,

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

Form of a Resolution.

Resolved, That all previous resolutions adopted by this post in regard to a Service Pension act, are hereby suspended and annulled.

Resolved, That this post (naming said post) hereby earnestly and respectfully requests the Congress of the United States to pass and the President of the United States to approve, a law which will carry into effect the provisions of the resolutions in regard to the Service Pension Bill adopted by the 37th National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, at San Francisco, California, on the 21st day of August, 1903.

Adopted by the post this . . . day of . . . 19 . . .

Attested and sealed, Commander.
 Adjutant.

(Special Circular.)

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
 Grand Army of the Republic,
 Olympia, Wash., June 7, 1904.

Instructions for Purchase of Tickets to Encampment.

All comrades, members of the second auxiliary orders of the Grand

Army of the Republic and their friends are hereby notified that it is required by the railroads and other transportation companies, when purchasing a ticket for the Encampment at Bellingham, Whatcom county, to secure from the agent selling such ticket, a receipt showing that you paid full fare to the Encampment. This receipt is required and necessary to secure a return ticket for one-third fare.

Don't fail to secure a receipt.

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Please give notice in your papers.

THOS. H. CAVANAUGH,

Department Commander.

Yours, T. H. C.

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Department Commander.

Yours, T. H. C.

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska,
Grand Army of the Republic.
Spokane, Wash., May 29, 1903.

General Orders

No. 1.

It is with deepest sorrow that we announce to you that our beloved Comrade, Post Department Commander B. C. Bedell, has been summoned by the Supreme Commander, from labor to rest. On the 28th day of May, at the Hotel Spokane, in Spokane City, he was suddenly stricken with heart failure, and died at 10:15 P. M.

He had endeared himself to his Comrades by his Soldierly qualities and his earnest devotion to the best interest of our Order. We have lost a true Soldier, a good Comrade and a loyal friend.

Official:

E. W. ELIOT, A. A. G.

THOMAS, H. CAVANAUGH,

Department Commander.

