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AND ALASKA

Grand Army of the Republic

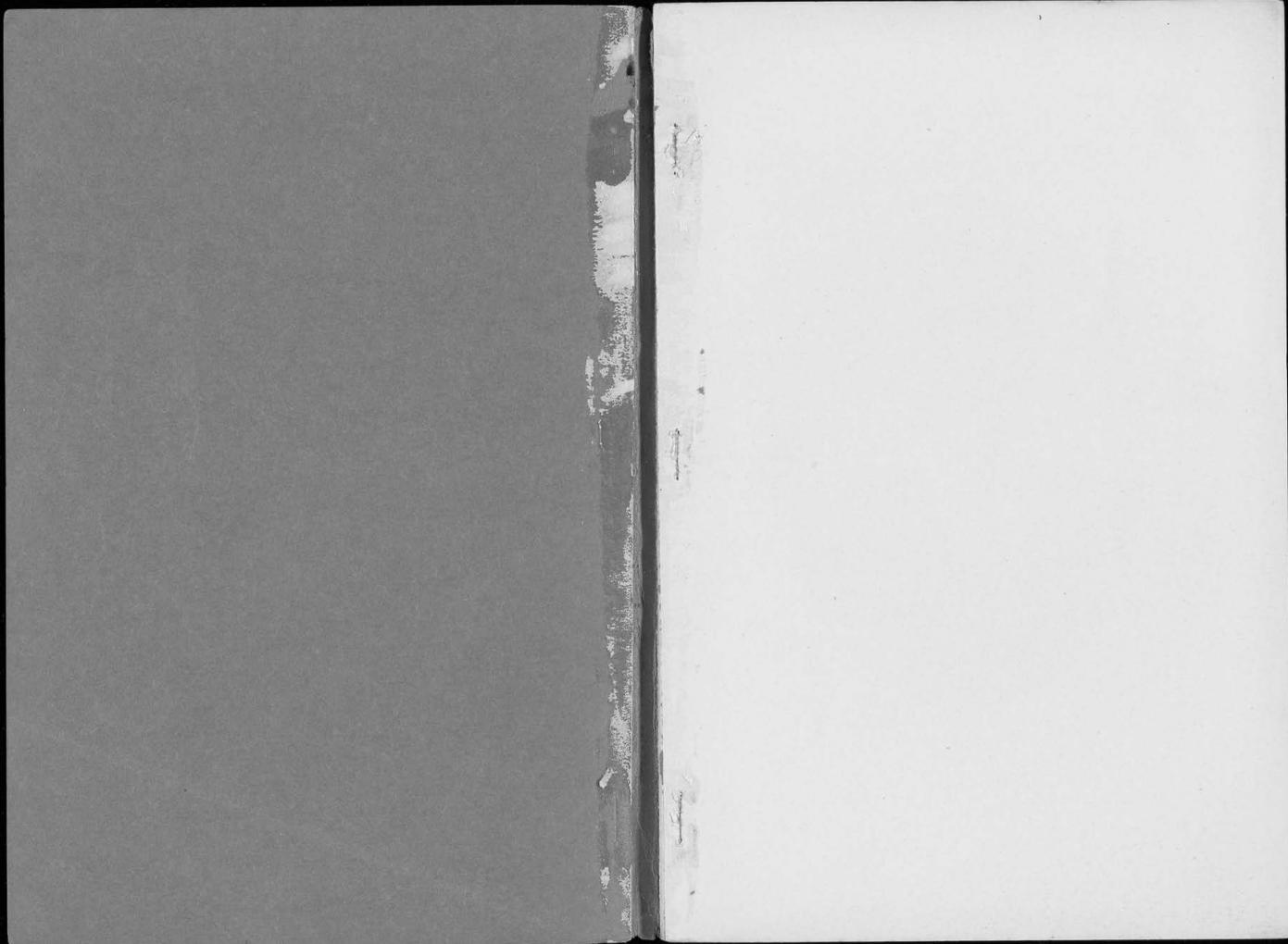


WENATCHEE, WASHINGTON

June 27, 28 and 29, 1911

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W. H. WISCOMBE, Department Commander.  
J. E. STEWART, A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G.





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and endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; and for the maintenance of these rights we pledge our fortunes, our success, our honor and our lives. And out of these basic principles and out of their heroic concentration was forged a civil fabric, a system of government such as the world had not previously known, and under which our people for over a century, despite herculean blundering and sin, in high and in low places, have enjoyed unexampled prosperity and happiness. We thank Thee that Thou didst give to us a Lincoln and his amazing and wonderful skill. And now, O Holy Father, with hearts surcharged with unfeigned gratitude that Thou didst send us forth from the fearful ordeal of half a century ago as a nation reformed and purified in a sense to set forth an example of civic righteousness worthy to be emulated by the nations of the earth, we, as a people, and as surviving veterans of this most marvelous exhibition of arms, remember with deepest, tenderest affection the bravery, courage and self-sacrifice of our fathers, brothers and neighbors who laid down their lives in defense of our country and whose dust sleeps forever far away upon the mountains and in the valleys of the South, many of them in unknown and unmarked graves. Heavenly Father, hear us on behalf of our country, all veterans of the Union Army, the Woman's Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army; do Thou graciously bless all members of this Encampment; let Thy blessings rest on all its deliberations, all of which we ask for Christ's sake. AMEN.

Past Department Commander Geo. H. Boardman, Custer Post No. 6, moved that the roll of A. Adj. General be made the Encampment Roll. Carried.

#### DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA.

Headquarters Spokane, Washington.

Elected and installed June, 1910, at Hoquiam, Washington.

##### Department Commander.

W. H. Wiscombe, Gen. J. L. Reno Post No. 47.....  
1116 Fourteenth Ave., Spokane

##### Senior Vice Commander.

B. S. Philbrick, Washington Post. No. 52.....Hoquiam

##### Junior Vice Commander.

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

##### Medical Director.

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

#### Department Chaplain.

T. E. Webb, Meade No. 9.....North Yakima

#### Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General.

J. E. Stewart, Sedgwick Post No. 8.....E303 Augusta Ave., Spokane

#### Council of Administration.

R. J. Chase, Jno. F. Miller Post No. 31.....Seattle  
Geo. W. Tibbets, Stevens Post No. 1.....Orting  
Giles O. Bump, Sedgwick Post No. 8.....Spokane  
R. R. Harding, Pacific Post No. 48.....Port Angeles  
E. A. Shores, Custer Post No. 6.....Tacoma

#### Delegate-at-Large to National Encampment.

Joseph Dickerson, Jno. F. Miller Post No. 31.....Seattle

#### Delegates to National Encampment.

C. De Orley, Stevens Post No. 1.....Seattle  
M. M. Monohan, Fremont Post No. 69.....South Bend  
B. L. Bull, Meade Post No. 9.....North Yakima  
E. A. Baldwin, Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 5.....Olympia  
B. R. Reynolds, U. S. Grant Post No. 116.....Bremerton  
J. J. Lemon, Phil Sheridan Post No. 44.....Tacoma  
Wm. N. Wright, Custer Post No. 6.....Tacoma

#### Alternates to National Encampment.

T. H. Ferrier, at Large, David Ford Post No. 11.....Ellensburg  
J. T. Stevens, Jno. F. Miller Post No. 31.....Seattle  
R. H. Ball, Larabee Post No. 18.....Laconner  
H. G. York, Morton Post No. 16.....Snohomish  
G. W. Carver, David Ford Post No. 11.....Ellensburg  
F. A. West, Maj. Johnson Post No. 114.....Prosser  
J. N. Koontz, Sedgwick Post No. 8.....Spokane  
J. J. Edens, J. B. Steedman Post No. 24.....Bellingham

#### Chief of Staff.

J. H. Coffman, Custer Post No. 6.....Tacoma

#### Judge Advocate.

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

#### Chief Mustering Officer.

Wm. Girard, J. B. Steedman Post No. 24.....Bellingham

#### Patriotic Instructor.

Allen Garrish, Jno. Buford Post No. 89.....Everett

## Department Inspector.

S. F. Street, Stevens Post No. 1.....Edmonds

## Senior Aide-de-Camp.

T. H. Ferrier, David Ford Post No. 11.....Ellensburg

## Officer of the Day.

E. C. Kilbourne, Stevens Post No. 1.....Seattle

## Department Color Bearer.

Capt. Joe Dickerson, Jno. F. Miller Post No. 31.....Seattle

## PAST COMMANDERS, G. A. R.

## Department Washington and Alaska.

1882 \*F. W. Sparling, Post No. 6.....Tacoma  
 1883 \*George D. Hill, Post No. 31.....Seattle  
 1884 \*W. H. Morrow, Post No. 2.....Vancouver  
 1885 A. M. Brookes, Post No. 31.....Seattle  
 1886 \*C. M. Holton, Post No. 9.....North Yakima  
 1887 \*A. P. Curry, Post No. 8.....Spokane  
 1888 \*J. W. Sprague, Post No. 6.....Tacoma  
 1889 \*S. G. Cosgrove, Post No. 22.....Pomeroy  
 1890 M. M. Holmes, Post No. 1.....Seattle  
 1891 \*D. G. Lovell, Post No. 6.....Tacoma  
 1892 J. S. Brown, Post No. 69.....Ballard  
 1893 \*Jos. F. Sinclair, Post No. 56.....Ballard  
 1894 \*J. N. Scott, Post No. 15.....Port Townsend  
 1895 \*Norman Buck, Post No. 8.....Spokane  
 1896 C. T. Patterson, Post No. 87.....South Tacoma  
 1897 J. F. McLean, Post No. 4.....Walla Walla  
 1898 Geo. W. Tibbetts, Post No. 1.....Seattle  
 1899 J. W. Langley, Post No. 31.....Seattle  
 1900 B. R. Freeman, Post No. 47.....Spokane  
 1901 \*Harry A. Bigelow, Post No. 1.....Seattle  
 1902 \*B. C. Bedell, Post No. 4.....Walla Walla  
 1903 \*Thos. H. Cavanaugh, Post No. 114.....Prosser  
 1904 Frank M. Davis, Post No. 31.....Seattle  
 1905 \*J. T. Goss, Post No. 2.....Vancouver  
 1906 C. B. Dunning, Post No. 8.....Spokane  
 1907 W. H. Mock, Post No. 24.....Bellingham  
 1908 Geo. H. Boardman, Post No. 6.....Tacoma  
 1909 Lyman Banks, Post No. 31.....Seattle

\*Deceased.

## Post Commanders, Past Post Commanders and Delegates Present

## STEVENS POST NO. 1, SEATTLE.

Commander.....C. De Oyley

## Past Post Commanders.

James Alexander	H M. Powell	F. H. Hurd
Peter Zinn	Geo. W. Tibbetts	A. W. Hastie
Willis L. Ames	N. E. Benson	John Cashner
	R. T. Young	

## Delegates.

T. H. Duncan	J. G. Nolop	Isaac Teller
A. M. Kent	W. H. Shaffer	William Fox
E. C. Kilbourne	F. R. Wilhelm	Lee Franklin
	A. E. Zerbrath	

## ELLSWORTH POST NO. 2, VANCOUVER.

## Past Post Commander.

C. H. Ferrier

## Delegates.

A. Swank  
Elias White

## A. LINCOLN POST NO. 4, WALLA WALLA.

Commander.....E. R. Harding

## Past Post Commanders.

E. W. Elliott	Clark Walters	Thomas Biesner
G. W. Smith	John La Cornue	

## Delegates.

W. N. Brock	John Braden	H. P. Clemins
S. T. Harrison	James Cowell	

**CUSTER POST NO. 6, TACOMA.****Past Post Commanders.**

W. L. C. Atkinson	W. H. Robinson	L. B. McCoy
Geo. H. Boardman	W. P. Sargent	Joseph Parker
James S. Collins	W. S. Green	E. A. Shores
M. P. Kelley	S. V. Isenberg	J. C. Cummings
C. T. Patterson	J. M. Junett	J. Q. A. De Huff

**Delegates.**

Wm. Hanna	Jasper How	D. I. Mead
Eli Doppo	N. A. Smith	Geo. Kuhn

**PHIL KEARNEY POST NO. 7, TOLEDO.**

Commander.....R. L. Calvin

**SEDGWICK POST NO. 8, SPOKANE.****Past Post Commanders.**

J. M. Comstock	E. P. Galbraith	C. B. Dunning	J. E. Stewart
J. N. Koontz	J. E. Gandy	G. O. Bump	

**Delegates.**

J. L. Smith	Chas. D. Wood	J. Kaeser	S. J. Martin
J. N. Butler		L. J. Skinner	

**MEADE POST NO. 9, NORTH YAKIMA.****Past Post Commanders.**

B. L. Bull	Wm. Badger	T. D. Quinn
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**Delegates.**

Wm. Lindsey	T. E. Webb	J. W. Webber	G. Whitehair
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**MORTON POST NO. 10, SNOHOMISH.**

Commander.....D. E. Ritchie

**Past Post Commanders.**

J. H. Hussey	J. H. Russell
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**Delegates.**

William Simmons	J. Curtis	B. D. Brundage
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**DAVID FORD POST NO. 11, ELLENSBURG.****Past Post Commanders.**

Geo. W. Carver	Geo. F. Davis	David Kinkade
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**Delegates.**

V. C. Wynegar	A. E. Carpenter
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**JOHN A. LOGAN POST NO. 16, GARFIELD.**

Past-Post Commander .....Wm. Westacott

**Delegates.**

S. C. Hammer

**L. C. LADD POST NO. 17, PUYALLUP.****Past Post Commanders.**

C. W. Stewart	A. C. Clark
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**Delegates.**

F. M. Seeley	R. E. Crane
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**LARABEE POST NO. 18, LACONNER.****Past Post Commander.**

R. H. Ball

**Delegates.**

I. Chilberg

**NAT. LYON POST NO. 19, COLFAX.****Past Post Commander.**

W. A. Inman

**GEO. WRIGHT POST NO. 23, CHENEY.****Past Post Commanders.**

J. C. Tyler	William Domreese
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**Delegates.**

David Evans

**J. B. STEEDMAN POST NO. 24, BELLINGHAM.**

Commander.....Harry Wade

**Past Post Commanders.**

C. Martin	Wm. Gerard	J. L. Bishop
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**Delegates.**

J. F. Woody	B. B. Mecham	John Hegler	J. Sternes
H. Vaneston		W. R. Bice	

## TWENTY-NINTH ENCAMPMENT OF THE

## JOE HOOKER POST NO. 25, CHEHALIS.

Post Commander.....R. N. Ashmore

## Past Post Commanders.

V. Griffin

J. Harrison

## MAJOR ANDERSON POST NO. 29, PALOUSE.

## Delegate.

Joseph McClelland

## JNO. F. MILLER POST NO. 31, SEATTLE.

Post Commander.....Mellen Gilmore

## Past Post Commanders.

Geo. Kinnear

B. D. Carr

Lyman Banks

W. A. Bailey

Frank M. Davis

A. E. Claghoon

E. W. Swan

## Delegates.

Joseph Dickerson

F. F. Flashant

J. W. Ward

A. W. Fey

J. C. Davis

James Stern

G. D. Miller

Thomas White

D. L. Wiard

E. C. Bristol

A. Hooper

A. F. Haas

James Stevens

C. R. McGee

W. H. French

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

## Past Post Commanders.

R. W. Williams

D. F. Decatur

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

## Past Post Commander.

B. F. Ostott

## J. B. WYMAN POST NO. 41, ROCKFORD.

## Past Post Commander.

John Fisher

## Delegate.

J. Moss.

## LYNCH POST NO. 42, LYNDEN.

## Past Post Commanders.

A. J. Ruseo

W. W. Palmer

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

## Past Post Commanders.

W. H. Wiscombe

A. Chapman

John Powers

Chas. F. Wightman

E. Morrison

R. S. Richhart

John Cavanaugh

## Delegates.

F. T. Brown

E. S. P. Bolton

S. A. Gibson

Wm. Ridpath

Frank Martin

John Kearn

Thos. Robinett

S. C. West

S. I. Jones

## PACIFIC POST NO. 48, PORT ANGELES.

Post Commander.....R. R. Harding

## Delegate.

Charles Zimmerman

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

Post Commander.....Lewis Y. Gilbert

## Past Post Commander.

Geo. Hart

## WASHINGTON POST NO. 52, HOQUIAM.

Post Commander.....L. C. Tallman

## Past Post Commanders.

B. S. Philbrick

A. S. Young

## Delegates.

Wm. Friedenburg

J. Cowin

## WHITMAN POST NO. 53, PULLMAN.

Post Commander.....R. Lanning

## Past Post Commanders.

M. F. Taylor

B. Taylor

K. P. Allen

Ed Lanna

Tom Savage

## Delegates.

J. D. Urich

F. Nichols

Pat Ryan

## ORTING POST NO. 54, ORTING.

Post Commander.....James Davidson

**Past Post Commander.**

B. Vandusen

**Delegate.**

T. H. Rutter

**LIEUTENANT CUSHING POST NO. 56, BALLARD.****Past Post Commander.**

Spencer Howley

**Delegates.**

John D. Ruffner    Benj. Fisher    Otis Sanford    Alexander Vettier

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

Post Commander..... W. D. Dolph

**Past Post Commanders.**

D. J. Davis                    H. C. McFarland                    T. B. Edens

**E. J. HOUGHTON POST NO. 75, KETTLE FALLS.****Past Post Commander.**

J. M. Fish

**HIRAM BURNHAM POST NO. 76, CENTRALIA.**

Post Commander..... James A. Hagadorn

**Past Post Commander.**

H. M. Joy

**H. B. LOOMIS POST NO. 80, GIG HARBOR.****Past Post Commanders.**

Ansel H. Brown                    John Atkinson

**T. P. PRICE POST NO. 82, CENTRALIA.****Past Post Commander.**

C. D. Spencer

**Delegate.**

S. R. Allred

**COMMODORE FOOTE POST NO. 84, PORT ORCHARD.**

Post Commander..... A. F. Baird

**GEN. FRED LANDER POST NO. 88, FARMINGTON.****Past Post Commander.**

Jas. A. Charles

**JOHN BUFORD POST NO. 89, EVERETT.****Past Post Commanders.**

H. W. North                    Allen Gerrish                    R. B. Beachum                    N. Forbes

**Delegates.**

T. Havencroft                    A. C. Brooks                    A. Little                    S. Lift

**E. E. CROSS POST NO. 90, SHELTON.****Past Post Commander.**

J. B. Ritner

**GENERAL RUSK POST NO. 93, DAVENPORT.**

Post Commander..... J. K. Worts

**Past Post Commander.**

J. J. Stewart

**Delegate.**

Benj. King.

**N. B. PAGE POST NO. 94, CASHMERE.**

Post Commander..... Geo. Sintz

**Past Post Commanders.**

Jeremiah McFarland                    Thomas Stewart

**Delegates.**

James Chase                    Leonard West                    Whitmore                    W. H. Jordan

**GEN. EWING POST NO. 96, ISSAQUAH.****Past Post Commanders.**

A. J. Foster                    D. F. Wilsie

**SPEAGLE POST NO. 100, MEAD.****Past Post Commanders.**

Jas. Berridge                    Cyrus Stoner

**JAS. A. SEXTON POST NO. 103, SEATTLE.**

Past Post Commander.

James Buzzard

**HARRISON POST NO. 104, CHELAN.**

Post Commander.....H. C. Keeler

Past Post Commanders.

John McKinnis      W. J. Long      R. M. Ward

Delegates.

S. H. Hopkins      A. S. Tenyke      John Prettiman

**DANIEL McCOOK POST NO. 105, WENATCHEE.**

Post Commander.....J. H. Brown

Past Post Commanders.

J. W. Ferguson      M. O. Merrill      E. P. Mosier

Delegates.

J. B. Palmer      David Gray      F. A. Rogers

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

Post Commander.....J. A. Moore

Past Post Commanders.

Wm. M. Turner      H. A. Gregory

Delegates.

R. B. Hubbard      W. Calkins

**JOHN BOTHELL POST NO. 108, BOTHELL.**

Past Post Commander.

Wm. Johnson

**GREEN LAKE POST NO. 112, SEATTLE.**

Post Commander.....J. A. Jackson

Delegates.

Ruben Crocker      E. L. Hudson      J. H. Mason      D. C. Cody

Frederick Urban      J. J. Lee

**MAJOR JOHNSON POST NO. 114, PROSSER.**

Post Commander.....F. A. West

**U. S. GRANT POST NO. 116, BREMERTON.**

Past Post Commanders.

Jesse W. Spear      H. R. Gale

Delegates.

J. B. Wakeman      Joseph McFaden

**J. R. HAYDEN POST NO. 118, SOLDIERS' HOME, ORTING.**

Post Commander.....Wm. M. Taylor

Past Post Commander.

P. G. Gesford

Delegates.

S. F. Brown      R. P. Hebold      J. P. Ford

**GENERAL KILPATRICK POST NO. 122, WOODLAND.**

Post Commander.....W. H. Wagoner

**LUCIUS DAY POST NO. 123, MONROE.**

Post Commander.....C. E. Hunter

Past Post Commander.

J. H. Pounell

Delegates.

Eli J. Attizer      A. Buck      R. F. Pattison

**SCHOFIELD POST NO. 128, SOLDIERS' HOME,  
PORT ORCHARD.**

Delegates.

A. A. Merrill      W. H. Dean      R. J. Wickard

**NATHAN P. GREGG POST NO. 127, HILLYARD.**

Post Commander.....A. J. Carey

Delegate.

H. Town

Comrade J. M. Comstock was appointed Acting Assistant Adjutant General during the sessions of the Encampment.

The following committees are herewith appointed:

On Credentials—A. A. G. J. E. Stewart, Sedgwick Post No. 8; F. H. Hurd, Stevens Post No. 1; W. L. Boyd, Gen'l. J. L. Reno Post No. 47.

On Order of Business—B. R. Freeman, Reno No. 47; W. A. Inman, Nath'l Lyon No. 19; S. S. King, Custer No. 6.

To respond to Address of Welcome by Mayor and Citizens of Wenatchee—G. W. Tibbetts, Stevens No. 1.

Response by G. A. R. to Presentation of Flag by W. R. C. to the High School of Wenatchee—J. M. Comstock, Sedgwick No. 8.

To Visiting Ladies of W. R. C.—C. B. Dunning, Sedgwick No. 8; T. W. Clark, Meade No. 9; Harry Wade, J. B. Steedman No. 24.

To Visiting Ladies of G. A. R.—H. W. North, John Buford No. 89; Willis L. Ames, Stevens No. 1; E. P. Connell, Gen'l. Milroy No. 62.

To Visiting Sons of Veterans—A. Chapman, Gen'l. J. L. Reno No. 47; K. P. Allen, Whitman No. 53; B. E. Baldwin, Washington No. 52.

To Visiting Daughters of G. A. R.—C. De Oyley, Stevens No. 1; W. H. Robinson, Custer No. 6; A. J. Carey, N. P. Gregg No. 127.

Response to Visiting Ladies of W. R. C.—A. W. Hastie, Stevens No. 1.

Response to Visiting Ladies G. A. R.—J. F. McLean, A. Lincoln No. 4.

Response to Visiting Daughters of G. A. R.—J. E. Gandy, Sedgwick Post No. 8.

Response to Visiting Sons of Veterans—S. F. Street, Stevens No. 1.

Past Department Commander Lyman Banks, J. F. Miller Post No. 31, moved that Posts be allowed to fill vacancies in their delegations by appointing members of their Posts who were present. Carried.

A delegation of Wenatchee citizens was reported in waiting. Business was suspended. Mayor A. C. Dallach and Secretary of the Commercial Club Geo. W. Coburn were introduced by Department Commander Wiscombe. The Mayor extended the greeting of the citizens of Wenatchee. Secretary Coburn, to whom much credit is due for his excellent work in preparing for this Encampment, added words of welcome. Past Department Commander Geo. W. Tibbetts in well chosen words responded to the able addresses of welcome.

Business was resumed.

The following report of the Committee on Order of Business was read:

Department Commander:

Your Committee on "Order of Business" recommend that—

- 1st. You open the Department Encampment in due form.
- 2d. Call the Roll of Officers.
- 3d. Appoint Committees on Credentials, Order of Business, and Resolutions.
- 4th. Reports of Committees.
- 5th. Reports of Officers.
- 6th. Unfinished Business.
- 7th. New Business.
- 8th. Election and Installation of Officers.
- 9th. The Rules of this Encampment shall be the same as those governing the National Encampment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. FISH,

WM. A. INMAN.

Unanimously adopted by the Encampment.

Senior Vice Commander B. S. Philbrick was called to the chair while the Commander read his address.

## Commander's Address

Comrades: It is with a high degree of pleasure that I prepare my annual report for this our 29th Department Encampment, and submit to you a synopsis of the year's work.

One year ago at Hoquiam you honored me by making me Commander of this Department. No one ever appreciated an honor more than I did this. I realized at that time how much would be expected of me and it is not for me to say how near I have filled your expectations. I have done the best I could.

In all sincerity I must say that the duties of the office have been performed with a great deal of pleasure, and, my Comrades, as we meet here today to exchange greetings and touch elbows again as comrades in this beautiful little city of Wenatchee, I trust that this Encampment will be as harmonious and pleasant as it was last year at the patriotic city of Hoquiam when I was honored with this office.

And let us not forget to appreciate the assistance that has been rendered by the loyal and patriotic people of this beautiful little city and valley. It extends to us the assurance that they are not unmindful of our services in the by-gone days.

These pleasant annual Encampment meetings are more and more solving into love feast and thanksgiving days. We look forward with great anxiety for the one more privilege of our annual meeting when we can again exchange cordial greetings, grasp the warm hand of comradeship and renew our fraternal feeling toward each other.

We are compelled to acknowledge, Comrades, that every year when we assemble again at these pleasant meetings, we discover unexpected vacant chairs. Every day large details are being made from our reserve to the shadowy regions above to return and touch elbows with us no more.

My many visits to posts over the state have been very pleasant. The cordial and patriotic receptions and greetings that have been extended me by the Grand Army comrades, the Woman's Relief Corps and Ladies of the G. A. R. have been most pleasant. The Grand Army, living and dead, represented especially by this Department, embraces the world's best men and the W. R. C. and Ladies of the G. A. R. the world's noblest women. These men became heroes in a bloody war. This war was preceded by providential dealings and carried forward under unmistakable providential direction and control. Our Civil War marked an epoch in the world's history and after forty-five years, since this great conflict, wonderful results have been manifested, and it is a great honor to know that we, the Grand Army of the Republic, in accomplishing those great results, were led and controlled by Him who doeth all things well.

I did not make an official visit to every Post in this Department. I have visited all that I possibly could under the circumstances. My desire, when elected, was to visit every Post, and I regret that I could not do so as I believe that much good has been and can be done in holding the small Posts together by an occasional visit from the Department Commander.

I find a number of the small Posts throughout the Department that are making a desperate effort to hold together, but the sound of Taps is coming quite often and their ages and feeble condition keeps many of the old comrades that have been staunch workers in the Grand

Army ranks from attending its meetings very regularly, and we cannot expect them to be as active now as they have been.

The National Encampment at Atlantic City, New Jersey, was a grand success in nearly every particular. Atlantic City is an ideal place to hold a convention. We had eight hundred and ninety-five voting delegates present which it is probably the largest representation we will ever have. The convention was held about two thousand yards out in the Atlantic Ocean; quite a unique place. This Department was well represented. We had twenty comrades in line in the parade. Rochester, New York, was named as the next meeting place for the National Encampment.

#### Pensions.

Comrades, it is an undisputed fact that the Committee on Pensions from the National Encampment has accomplished more towards getting Pension Legislation through Congress than has been accomplished through any other source, and I feel that no other business was of such vital interest at this Encampment as was the Pension Bill. The great majority of our comrades are in need of a more liberal pension, and when the Resolution Committee submitted its report on pensions to the Encampment for final instructions to the Committee on Pensions, out of 895 delegates, there were only 256 present to vote, and the One-Dollar-a-Day Bill was lost by six votes, and my firm opinion is, that the One-Dollar-a-Day Bill would have unanimously carried had a fair representation of delegates been present. Had the Committee on Pensions been instructed to present a bill to Congress for a straight one dollar a day increase instead of the bill that was presented, I firmly believe it would have passed both houses of Congress without any amendments, and the comrades who need it would now be getting \$30.00 per month instead of \$12.00. Your Commander is much gratified to report that all the delegates from this Department were in attendance but one; Comrade Reynolds of Bremerton being unable to attend.

Your Department Commander had the distinguished honor of being commissioned by Governor Hay to represent the great State of Washington at Harrisburg, Penn., to meet a delegation of representatives to perfect arrangements for the fiftieth anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg, which occurs July 1st, 1913. This event added much to the enjoyment of my years work. Every state and territory was represented and there is no doubt but this anniversary will be a great event.

#### Soldiers' Homes.

In visiting the Homes, I find the old boys comparatively happy. The Orting Home has a good Post, which is in good working order. The only thing lacking is the motherly companionship of a Relief Corps.

Gen. G. W. Tibbetts, the Superintendent, is loved by all the inmates. He has seven hundred on the roll and over four hundred actual inmates at this time.

The Port Orchard Home, under the efficient management of Col. Willis L. Ames, is progressing nicely and is a beautiful place for a Home. The inmates are all happy and apparently well satisfied. Aside from the contrast in the pleasantness of the location to the Orting Home they have the comforting companionship of their wives with them. I am sorry that the same conditions cannot exist at Orting. They have about two hundred inmates at Port Orchard and a prosperous Post and Relief Corps.

Through the persistent efforts of several good patriotic citizens and comrades and with the loyal support and recommendation of Gov. M. E. Hay we succeeded in securing a liberal appropriation for new buildings and improvements, which are now under construction, and when completed will add materially to the needs and pleasantness of this Home.

#### New Posts.

Your Commander feels much gratified to report three new Posts for this year. Two years ago Past Department Commander Boardman organized a Post at Kennewick and it was expected that would be the last Post organized in this Department. I had the honor and pleasure of organizing Nathan P. Gregg Post No. 127, at Hillyard, with twenty members; E. W. Sager Post No. 128, at Grandview, with fifteen members, and the Webber Post No. 129, at Sunnydale, with seventeen members. All three of these Posts are in good, flourishing towns, and there is no doubt of their prosperity and maintenance for several years at least.

#### Memorial Day.

From Posts all over the Department, I find that Memorial Day was appropriately observed wherever there is a Grand Army Post or Woman's Relief Corps. The Chaplain's report will give a more detailed account of the extent of the observance.

#### Deaths.

Our death roll for the year has been larger than ever before. "Taps" has sounded quite often and many of our comrades that have been associated with us at previous Encampments have been called away by the great Commander above. Included in the list is our beloved comrade, Capt. R. A. Chase, a member of the Council of Administration of this Department. Comrade Chase was a regular attendant at our

Encampments and his good council and genial companionship will be much missed.

"Not dead but only promoted,  
They have entered the order above;  
And there, 'neath the smile of the Master,  
They will finish their labors of love."

Regarding the roll call of members, notwithstanding we have gained three new Posts, the Assistant Adjutant General's report shows a small loss for the year. We cannot expect to increase our numbers any more. Details are constantly increasing to the shadowy regions above and we have no new blood to recruit from.

The Woman's Relief Corps and auxiliary organizations of ladies are a power in the Grand Army. Their consoling words and motherly sympathy is a balm to the comrades that could not come from any other source.

I desire to express my grateful thanks to Mrs. Josephine H. Dunning, Department President of the Woman's Relief Corps, and her associates, for the able and efficient work they have done for the betterment and advancement of our Order, and for the untiring assistance rendered during the year when and wherever it was needed.

#### Staff.

If any credit be due to the past year's administration, a large portion of it is due to the efficiency and faithfulness of my staff. They have been ever ready to render any assistance in their power for the welfare of the Department. Much is due to the Council of Administration for their loyal support and good advice. This Department has been very fortunate in having an excellent Assistant Adjutant General. Comrade J. E. Stewart cannot be excelled for his competency and ability, and his genial manner and friendly disposition gives him the good will of all his comrades.

#### Recommendations.

I would recommend to the Council of Administration and the members of this Encampment that the per capita tax remain as it now is. I don't think it good policy to reduce it at this time, notwithstanding we have cash and collaterals now on hand of over One Thousand Dollars. Our membership is decreasing and the aggregate receipts will be less every year, while on the other hand it will cost just as much to run the Department; at least for several years to come.

I would also recommend that hereafter the Department Commander be allowed more money than One Hundred and Fifty Dollars.

Past Department Commander Geo. H. Boardman in his report two years ago also recommended this. I think he should be allowed at least one-half of his actual expenses. There are worthy comrades in our Department that would make creditable Commanders that cannot afford to spend from four to five months of their time and from Five to Seven Hundred Dollars, and are prohibited from the honor on that account. It is expected that the Department Commander shall attend the National Encampment and it is often held in the extreme east, which is not only expensive, but takes time. He is also expected to visit as many of the Posts as he can, and no man that accepts this honor can do justice to the Department without taking at least four months of his time for the year. Therefore, I recommend that the Department Commander's allowance be increased and the per capita tax remain as it is.

In conclusion, I want to again express my appreciation to all. First, for the honor I received at your hands; second, for the loyal assistance and kind words which have been given me both by the comrades and the good women of our Order. I have tried hard to do all I could for the good of the Department. I have personally answered and written nearly five hundred letters, and given advice to the best of my judgment whenever asked. I want to thank the Department officers and each member of my staff for their loyal support and assistance and I trust that my successor will enjoy as pleasant a year as I have and meet the same good comradeship, and when I surrender the gavel to him and step down into the ranks you will find me the same old comrade, in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

W. H. WISCOMBE,  
Department Commander.

Comrade Geo. H. Boardman of Post No. 6 moved that the Commander's Address be referred to a committee of three. Motion carried. Senior Vice Commander appointed Comrades Fish of Post No. 75; Duncan of Post No. 1, and Dunning of Post No. 8.

Comrade Fish, Post 75, moved that one member from each delegation come forward and receive the badges for the delegates present. Motion carried.

On motion, Encampment adjourned to meet at 2 p. m.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Tuesday, June 27, 1911.

Encampment was called to order at 2 o'clock by Department Commander.

Senior Vice Commander gave a verbal report of his year's work. No report from Junior Vice Commander R. W. Williams.

Reports of Assistant Adjutant General, Assistant Quartermaster General, Department Chaplain, Judge Advocate, Department Patriotic Instructor, Council of Administration.

On motion of Judge Dunning these reports were referred to Committee on Department Commander's Address.

## Reports

### CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska G. A. R.  
Office of the Assistant Adjutant General.

Spokane, Wash., June 23, 1911.

W. H. Wiscombe, Department Commander.

Comrade: I have the honor to make the following report as Assistant Adjutant General for the Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R.

The following table shows the membership and condition of the Posts in the Department:

Total number in good standing Dec. 31, 1909.....3,160

#### Gained During the term ending June 30, 1910—

By muster-in .....107  
By transfer ..... 26  
By reinstatement ..... 28  
Total gain ..... 161

Aggregate .....3,321

#### Loss—

By death ..... 61  
By honorable discharge ..... 11  
By transfer ..... 55  
By suspension ..... 67  
By delinquent ..... 13  
Total loss ..... 207

Number remaining in good standing June 30, 1910..... 3,114  
Number remaining suspended ..... 67  
Dropped during term..... 6  
Expended for charity as reported.....\$469.20  
Number of families relieved ..... 13  
Rituals on hand ..... 204

#### Term Ending December 31, 1910—

Number remaining in good standing..... 3,114  
Gain by muster-in ..... 75  
Gain by transfer ..... 53  
Gain by reinstatement ..... 15

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Gain by delinquent reports ..... 6  
Total gain ..... 149  
Aggregate ..... 3,263

#### Loss—

By death ..... 70  
By honorable discharge ..... 9  
By transfer ..... 42  
By suspension ..... 63  
By delinquent reports ..... 59  
Total loss ..... 243

Number remaining in good standing, Dec. 31, 1910..... 3,020  
Number remaining suspended ..... 63  
Expended for charity .....\$410.60  
Number members or their families relieved..... 27  
Persons not members relieved..... 12  
Rituals and cards on hand..... 316

Very respectfully in F., C. and L.,

J. E. STEWART,

Assistant Adjutant General.

### REPORT OF ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL.

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

Spokane, Wash., June 23, 1911.

W. H. Wiscombe, Department Commander:

I have the honor to present the following financial report ending this date:

#### Cash Receipts.

1910.  
June 23—From Ben C. Levy, A. Q. M. G., 8 Bonds, \$100 each.....\$ 800.00  
June 23—From Department President, W. R. C..... 100.00  
June 23—From Ben C. Levy, A. Q. M. G., check..... 14.33  
July 30—From per capita tax ..... 620.00  
Dec. 31—From supplies sold ..... 28.87  
Dec. 31—From per capita tax ..... 619.40

1911.

April 1—From interest on Bonds..... 56.00  
June 9—From Charter fees for three new Posts..... 30.00  
June 15—From supplies sold ..... 109.62

Total cash received.....\$2,378.82

## Cash Disbursed.

1910.		
June 23—Paid Orting Drum Corps.....	\$	50.00
Paid for postage stamps.....		45.45
Aug. 1—Paid express and drayage on Department stuff.....		13.10
July 6—Paid premium on A. Q. M. G. Bond.....		5.00
June 5—Paid Union Printing Co. ....		79.75
Paid delivering Nat. Gen. Orders and other expense.....		5.30
Paid per capita tax for June 30, 1910.....		54.50
Paid per capita tax for December 31, 1910.....		52.85
Paid expense fixing up Headquarters, etc., at National		21.05
Sept. 24—Paid for Headquarters Atlantic City.....		46.85
Aug. 4—Paid J. L. McDonald, Seattle, for printing Journals.....		159.00
Paid for supplies .....		102.53
Paid money refunded to Post on supplies.....		6.05
Paid Department Commander allowance.....		150.00
Paid A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. salary.....		400.00
June 19—Paid Department Commander, expense per bill.....		8.50
June 19—Paid Department Commander, expense to Grandview,		
instituting Post .....		17.60
Paid Department Commander, expense to Sunnyside,		
instituting Post .....		16.00
June 22—Typewriting Encampment Roll.....		4.00
Expense at Wenatchee .....		8.18
By check to A. W. Hastie, A. Q. M. G.....		333.11
By 8 Bonds, \$100 each, turned over to A. Q. M. G.....		800.00

\$2,378.82

In comparing the reports of 1909 with 1910 I find a greater loss by death in 1909, being 152; for 1910, 131, making 21 more deaths in 1909, but in the aggregate we have lost in membership, there being 140 members less than one year ago. Our Department Commander has instituted three new Posts with a membership of 41, not a clear gain, however, as some were transferred from other Posts, fully realizing that our membership will decrease faster and faster as the years go by, thereby decreasing our income, whereas the expense of running the Department will remain about the same.

I earnestly recommend that the per capita tax remain as it is, 40 cents per annum. I also would more earnestly recommend that the Department increase substantially the allowance of the Department Commander. As it is now none of our comrades, except he be rich, can afford to accept that office. Our present Commander is out several hundred dollars more than he received.



J. E. STEWART  
Ass't. Adj't Gen'l and Ass't. Q. M. Gen'l

I would recommend that the Department Commander's allowance be doubled, and there is another matter I wish to bring before this Convention, and that is, that the Administration that gets out the journals, mail them from the place where they are printed if possible instead of shipping them across the state to mail at an expense of about \$4.00.

The Administration that gets up the journal knows more about where they should go than the one coming in. To all of which I respectfully submit, and now, Department Commander, I want to express to you my appreciation of your confidence and esteem in appointing me your Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General. I have tried to do my duty and only hope that I have come up to your expectations in my effort to perform the work that you appointed me to do; I know as you retire from your present office with the honors so richly deserved, that you will carry with you a genuine feeling of Fraternal comradeship from every Veteran in our ranks. For myself, permit me to say, Commander, that while our official relations close with this Encampment, I hope that the comradeship that we have enjoyed for the last twenty years will still continue with more Fraternal feeling on account of our relationship for the past year.

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Yours in F., C. and L.

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#### REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

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

North Yakima, Wash., 1911.

To Comrade Thos. Harwood,

Chaplain-in-Chief G. A. R.

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

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Number of Posts reporting Memorial Services.....	46



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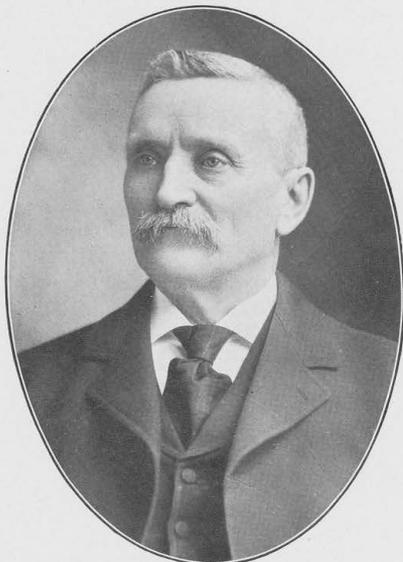
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**Memorial Sabbath Services.**

Number of Posts attending services.....	46
Number of sermons preached to Posts.....	38
Number of sermons preached by Veterans.....	8
Number of sermons preached by Sons of Veterans.....	16
Number of Comrades present at such services.....	966
Number of Women's Relief Corps participating with Posts at such services .....	45
Number of members of Women's Relief Corps attending such services .....	1,404
Number of Camps of Sons of Veterans attending such services.....	.....
Number of Sons of Veterans attending such services.....	37
Number of Tents of Daughters of Veterans attending such services .....	.....
Number of Daughters of Veterans attending such services.....	65

**Memorial Day Services.**

Number of Posts observing Memorial Day Services.....	46
Number of Comrades participating in Memorial Day Services.....	1,138
Number of Women's Relief Corps participating in Memorial Day Services .....	50
Number of members of Women's Relief Corps participating in Memorial Day Services .....	2,000
Number of Camps Sons of Veterans participating in Memorial Day Services .....	.....
Number of Sons of Veterans participating.....	50
Number of Tents of Daughters of Veterans participating.....	.....
Number of Daughters of Veterans participating.....	55
Number of cemeteries in which graves were decorated.....	77
Number of graves decorated.....	3,442
Number of graves unmarked by headstones.....	231
Number of public schools engaging in Memorial Day Services.....	53
Number of pupils participating.....	4,292
Number of other organizations participating.....	66
Number of addresses delivered to Posts on Memorial Day.....	36
Number of addresses delivered by Veterans.....	12
Number of addresses delivered by Sons of Veterans.....	16
Number of Posts having Burial Plots.....	21



J. M. COMSTOCK  
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DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON AND ALASKA G. A. R. 27

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REPORT OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

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I have the honor to make to you the following report for the Department of Washington and Alaska:

Having no precedent to follow, and there being no instructions as to the special customs and work of the Department Patriotic Instructors, I awaited instructions from Department Headquarters.

Not until June 1 of this year did I issue any circulars or notice, but on that date I mailed notice to all Post Patriotic Instructors, asking them to be prompt in making a report on June 15th, and calling attention to some particular features of the report.

I secured answers from twenty Posts, showing a general interest taken by nearly all.

In my correspondence with the City and County Superintendents, I find that nearly all the County Schools and many of the City Schools have closed prior to the Friday preceding Memorial Day, therefore, patriotic exercises can be held in but a small percentage of the schools of the state on that day.

As Lincoln's Birthday is not a school holiday in this state, would it not be better for the Veterans to visit the schools on that day?

There seems to be a strong desire among the County and also many of the City Superintendents, that a manual of patriotic exercises be published for the use of the teachers as a guide for the different days.

Is it not possible that this could be published by the State Department of Education and distributed to the City and County Superintendents in sufficient quantities to supply all teachers?

An examination of reports show that Lincoln's Gettysburg Address is in but few school buildings. I would suggest that a copy suitable for framing be furnished every school in the state, possibly these also could be secured through the State Board of Education.

Many of the Post Instructors seem somewhat in doubt as to the duties of their office, and I would suggest that something like the following be printed in circular form and issued in duplicate to all Posts.

The duties of a Post Instructor are:

FIRST. To see that every school house in his territory is complying with the Statute to fly the Flag daily and that its salutation is a daily exercise of ceremony as regularly conducted as any school exercise prescribed by the School Boards, and any neglect of this duty should be reported to the authorities without delay.

SECOND. To see that special exercises are prepared in season for the recognition of Lincoln's and Washington's Birthdays, Memorial Day, and Flag Day (June 14th) to be observed, or the nearest school day prior to these holidays.

THIRD. To arrange for the co-operation of Week Day and Sunday Schools in the services of MEMORIAL DAY and MEMORIAL SUNDAY.

FOURTH. To interest the churches in recognizing Memorial Sunday with appropriate service, and to direct the attention of all citizens to the 14th of June—the anniversary of the birth of the Flag—through press or by any means available for the purpose.

FIFTH. To seek the co-operation of the Woman's Relief Corps; Ladies of the G. A. R.; Sons and Daughters of Veterans; Sons and Daughters of the Revolution, and all patriotic societies, that hand-in-hand patriotism may be the prevailing spirit that shall actuate all loyal minds.

SIXTH. To arrange for the attendance of Comrades at the patriotic exercises of all schools and assist in interesting the pupils with addresses and personal reminiscence.

SEVENTH. To be an example to all in showing reverence for the Flag at all times and to recognize the Star Spangled Banner whenever it is sung by rising, saluting or uncovering.

In the words of Comrade Bakewell: "It cannot be too forcibly expressed that the inculcation of a patriotic spirit among the youth is the safeguard of the nation. Just as forceful in preventing strife as in crushing invasion. The spirit of anarchy which crops out at times in some localities will be tempered materially if the youth has been taught to respect the principles for which so much sacrifice has been made.

"Let not the importance of the duty of the Post Patriotic Instructor misunderstand that his office now holds an important place in the line of Grand Army privileges—as important as any office in the Post and that an account of his service will be required of him. The Soldier of the Republic did not finish his service when he saved the Flag from dishonor, it must be preserved with honor."

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ALLEN GARRISH,

Patriotic Instructor,  
Department Washington and Alaska.

## MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Headquarters Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. E.

Spokane, Wash., Jan. 7, 1911.

The Council of Administration met in the office of the Department Commander, Falls City Building, Spokane, Wash. The following members were present: W. H. Wiscombe, Department Commander; J. E. Stewart, Assistant Adjutant General; B. R. Freeman, Medical Director; G. O. Bump and E. A. Shores, Council of Administration, and J. M. Comstock, Judge Advocate. The meeting was called for the purpose of fixing date of the 29th Department Encampment, and by unanimous consent it was decided to hold the 29th Encampment at Wenatchee the 27th, 28th and 29th days of June, 1911. There being no further business the Council adjourned.

J. E. STEWART,

Assistant Adjutant General.

## REPORT OF COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Wenatchee, Wash., June 27, 1911.

W. H. Wiscombe, Department Commander,

Department of Washington and Alaska.

Commander: The Council of Administration desire to report that they have examined all the books and accounts of the A. Q. M. G., have checked over all receipts and vouchers and find everything correct, showing a balance on hand in bonds and cash of one thousand one hundred and thirty-three dollars and eleven cents (\$1,133.11), which has been turned over to the chairman of this committee.

This is a net gain for this year of \$319.00.

We would recommend that the same policy of keeping the surplus money at interest be followed by the incoming administration, and that at least three hundred (\$300) dollars of the cash on hand be invested in additional bonds.

We also recommend that all cash receipts be placed in bank, and all disbursements be made by check, not as heretofore, part cash and part check; each check stating what paid for. This will simplify the checking up of the A. Q. M. G. accounts.

We also recommend that the per capita remain the same, and that the customary one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars allowed the Depart-

ment Commander be increased to \$300.00 per year, for all traveling and necessary expenses, he to furnish receipts and vouchers, and any sum not so used be returned to the treasury; this to include all and every expense save the rent for room at the National Encampment.

That the salary of the A. A. G. and A. Q. M. G. be four hundred (\$400) dollars, as at present, and no change be made in the apportionment of delegates to the Department Encampment.

We further recommend that two of the present members of the Council of Administration be re-elected, as has been the custom.

H. R. GALE, Chairman.

R. R. HARDING,

GEO. W. TIBBETTS,

E. A. SHORES,

G. O. BUMP.

## REPORT OF WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS.

Wenatchee, June 27, 1911.

W. H. Wiscombe, Department Commander.

Dear Commander: It is with pleasure I extend to you and to the 29th Department Encampment the greetings of the 26th Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps here assembled. At this time we number:

Corps in Department .....	62
Members in good standing .....	3,013
Cash expended for relief .....	\$ 531.11
Cash turned over to Post.....	307.47
Relief other than money .....	394.97
Amount of Corps' property in Department.....	1,253.37
Gift to Grand Army by vote of the 25th Annual Convention.....	100.00

We are steadily gaining in numbers, although three Corps have surrendered their charters, most of the members taking transfers and joining other Corps. Two new Corps have been organized, one at Hill-yard, auxiliary to the Nathan P. Gregg Post, known as Nathan P. Gregg Corps No. 25, the other the E. W. Sager Corps No. 27, auxiliary to E. W. Sager Post at Grandview. Applications for two more Corps have been sent, one to Oakville and one to Sunnyside, where we are sure of Corps as new Posts have been organized. Living up to the spirit

of our motto, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, you will find us ready and willing to respond when duty calls.

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

JOSEPHINE H. DUNNING,

Department President.

Comrade Dunning moved that election of officers be made a special order of business for 2 p. m., Wednesday, June 28, 1911.

A committee from Daughters of the Grand Army reported by Officer of the Guard, Comrades G. O. Bump and F. H. Hurd were detailed to escort the ladies to the platform. Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Craig were introduced by Department Commander. Each made pleasing remarks. Comrade J. E. Gandy, of Post No. 8, responded.

Business resumed.

Comrades Gandy, Fox and Banks were appointed a committee to draft resolutions on the death of Comrade R. J. Chase, late a member of the Council of Administration.

Comrades Dunning, Banks and Ames were appointed Committee on Resolutions.

Comrade Geo. H. Boardman asked the privilege of taking a collection for the purpose of aiding the Ladies of the Grand Army in erecting a drinking fountain at the Port Orchard Soldiers' Home. Request was granted. The hat was passed and \$20.00 collected. Comrade Boardman then moved that the Encampment make an appropriation of \$25.00 for the same purpose. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn until 10 a. m., Wednesday, June 28. Carried.



JOSEPHINE H. DUNNING  
Department President W. R. C.

MORNING SESSION, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 1911.

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Commander appointed Comrades North, Ames and Gandy a committee to visit the Ladies of the G. A. R.

Committee on Commander's Address submitted the following report:

Wenatchee, Wash., June 28, 1911.

Department Commander:

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We heartily endorse the administration of Department Commander W. H. Wiscombe, in all respects, and think him entitled to the thanks and kindly good wishes of all the "Old Boys" throughout the Department.

In regard to the recommendations of amount of per capita tax, we are unanimous in the belief that as we have already over eleven hundred (\$1100) dollars in the treasury, that most of the "Old Boys" are poor, and that the Order is not a money-making one. We therefore recommend that the tax be reduced to 30c per capita, until more is needed.

The Department Commander's allowance we consider ample for Department expenses, and therefore recommend no change, all shortage being balanced by the honor conferred.

We also recommend that one hundred (\$100.00) dollars additional be allowed him when he attends the National Encampment.

We recommend that all Department moneys be deposited in bank, and that all bills be paid by check and that all checks be retained as vouchers.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. FISH,  
C. B. DUNNING,  
T. H. DUNCAN,  
Committee.

J. M. Fish of E. J. Houghton Post No. 75 moved the adoption of this Report. Motion amended, that there be no change in per capita tax. Report adopted as amended.

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Department President W. R. C.

**RESOLUTION ON DEATH OF CAPTAIN RANSOM J. CHASE.**

Whereas, The Supreme Commander has called to a higher position Captain Ransom J. Chase of the Council of Administration, and

Whereas, In the death of Comrade Chase this Department and the entire Grand Army of the Republic has lost a man of sterling worth, one unusually well posted in Grand Army affairs and procedure and one who could be relied upon for wise and judicious counsel, be it

Resolved, That we place on our records our appreciation of his splendid type of manhood, and express to his family our sympathy in their bereavement.

LYMAN BANKS,  
C. B. DUNNING,  
J. E. GANDY.

On motion this Report was accepted and the resolutions adopted.

The following telegrams were read:

Comrade W. H. Wiscombe,  
Department Commander G. A. R.,  
Wenatchee, Wash.

Boston, Mass., June 27.

I send my fraternal love to my comrades of the Washington and Alaska Encampment. May your annual meeting be a credit to yourselves and a lesson in patriotism to the people of your state. God bless and guard you. Look for important letter, mailed you care Wenatchee Commercial Club, June 23.

JOHN E. GILMAN,  
Commander in Chief.

Chicago, Ill., June 26.

Comrade J. E. Stewart,  
Care Grand Army Encampment,  
Wenatchee, Wash.

The Department of Illinois sends greetings to Washington and Alaska. Our delegates are unanimously instructed to vote for Past Department Commander Harvey M. Trimble for Commander in Chief at Rochester. Department, hear our Macedonian cry. Come over and help us.

In F. C. and L.,  
CHARLES R. KOCH,  
Chairman.

Los Angeles, Calif., June 27.

W. H. Wiscombe, Department Commander.

Department Encampment, Department of Washington and Alaska, G. A. R., in session at Wenatchee, Wash.:

As sister Department of Pacific Coast, Department of California and Nevada extends to comrades of Washington and Alaska fraternal greetings upon the occasion of your annual Encampment and hearty best wishes that you may enjoy for many years these happy reunions. This Department is extending cordial invitation to the National Encampment to hold its 46th Annual Encampment at Los Angeles in 1912, and we send to all comrades of Washington and Alaska hearty invitation to visit California at that time and enjoy our hospitality. Should our invitation be accepted at Rochester we sincerely trust that we will have the hearty co-operation of representatives of your Department at National Encampment at Rochester in August.

DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA, G. A. R.  
By Department Committee on National Encampment,  
H. Z. Osborne, Chairman.

Assistant Adjutant General instructed to answer all telegrams.

A motion to select the place for holding the next Encampment was laid on the table until after 2 p. m.

Department Chaplain T. E. Webb read the following letter:

Mossy Rock, Lewis County, Wash., June 9, 1911.

T. E. Webb, Chaplain G. A. R.,  
Department of Washington and Alaska.

Dear Comrade: I received a card from you, dated June 8, 1911, in regard to Chaplain's Report. I wish to say Admiral Porter Post at Mossy Rock is no more, having some years ago sent in their charter, for the reason that only five members were left, many having answered the last roll call, and at taps or lights out were excused from duty. Five of us remain, but too far from any other Post to meet comrades. Two of us here in Mossy Rock to decorate the graves at two cemeteries. We did our duty, the writer and M. Loomis. No interest was taken by the young people or students of the three schools. The school flag, "Old Glory," was left out in rain and storm at night until I reported to the School Clerk and County Superintendent W. D. Bay of Chehalis, when he took the matter in hand.

With best wishes, I am yours in F. C. and L.,

DANIEL SHANER,  
Lead of Co. E, 100 Pennsylvania Infantry,  
Burnside's 9th Army Corps.

Department Chaplain offered the following resolutions:

Whereas, We Veterans of the Union Army of the Department of Washington and Alaska in Encampment assembled, June 28, 1911, at Wenatchee, Wash., have read with deep emotion the above letter; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we admire the courage and loyalty of Comrades Daniel Shaner and M. Loomis shown in the decoration of Comrades' graves in two cemeteries all alone when others seem to have forgotten them;

Resolved, That we assure these Comrades at Mossy Rock and all others in that vicinity thus isolated from fellowship with Comrades of the G. A. R., that we extend to them our sympathy and our love, and humbly trust when "Taps" are sounded and lights are out they may be fully ready to retire to the eternal rest. Resolution adopted.

Commander announced that Commander of the Boy Scouts would visit the Encampment at 1:30.

Adjourned until 1:30.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28, 1911.

Encampment was called to order at 1:30 o'clock by Department Commander.

Assistant Adjutant General read a letter from E. B. Stillings, Adjutant General, also a resolution from Department Patriotic Instructor of Massachusetts, as follows:

State House, Boston, Mass., June 23, 1911.

Comrade W. H. Wiscombe,  
Department Commander, G. A. R.,  
Wenatchee, Washington.

My Dear Comrade: The enclosed letter was just received from the Department Patriotic Instructor of Massachusetts, and I respectfully suggest, that if the same meets with your approval, that you have some comrade present it to your Department Encampment, and if possible secure its adoption.

You understand that it is necessary that such action be taken, in order to secure an amendment to the Rules and Regulations. I will keep a copy of the enclosed letter and will thank you very much if you will advise me promptly after the close of your Encampment, whether or not the same was adopted.

With best wishes, yours faithfully in F., C. and L.,

E. B. STILLINGS,  
Adjutant-General.

Boston, Mass., June 23, 1911.

John E. Gilman, Commander in Chief,  
Grand Army of the Republic.

Commander: In view of the growing importance of the office of Post, Department and National Patriotic Instructor, I earnestly recommend that the following resolution be adopted by some Department Encampment.

Resolved, That hereafter Post, Department and National Patriotic Instructors be elected instead of appointed, and that Rules and Regulations be so amended.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

EDWARD O. SKELTON,

Patriotic Instructor, Dept. Mass., G. A. R.

Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

#### COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

W. H. Wiscombe, Department Commander:

Your committee refers the above communication back to the Department, recommending no action.

C. B. DUNNING,  
LYMAN BANKS,  
Committee.

A delegation from the W. R. C., consisting of Past Department President Jennie S. Wiscombe, National Chaplain Mary A. Gardner and Past Department President Mattie E. Ames were admitted and welcomed. They carried the greetings of the W. R. C., both Department and National, and were greeted with applause. A. W. Hastie responded.

Commander announced election of officers next in order, and called for nominations for Commander. Comrade Tibbetts nominated F. H. Hurd of Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle, nomination seconded by many; Comrade H. W. North, Post No. 89, nominated R. B. Beachum of John Buford No. 89 of Everett. Comrade Beachum withdrew. The rules were suspended and Assistant Adjutant General instructed to cast the unanimous vote for Comrade F. H. Hurd for Department Commander. Comrade Hurd declared elected.

By a separate motion and by unanimous vote of the Encampment the Assistant Adjutant General was instructed to and did cast the unanimous vote of the Encampment for the following officers for the ensuing year:

Senior Vice Commander—J. W. Ferguson, Daniel McCook Post No. 105, Wenatchee.

Junior Vice Commander—T. H. Ferrier, David Ford Post No. 11, Ellensburg.

Medical Director—J. E. Gandy, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.  
Department Chaplain—Rev. C. D. Spencer, T. P. Price Post No. 82, Centralia.

Council of Administration—

Geo. Kinnear, John F. Miller Post No. 31, Seattle.  
Geo. W. Tibbetts, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.  
E. A. Shores, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma.  
R. R. Harding, Pacific Post No. 48, Port Angeles.  
W. A. Inman, Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 19, Colfax.

Delegates to National Encampment—

At Large—Joseph Dickerson, John F. Miller Post No. 31, Seattle.

Delegates—

J. H. McFarland, N. B. Page Post No. 94, Cashmere.  
J. M. Fish, E. J. Houghton Post No. 75, Kettle Falls.  
B. R. Reynolds, U. S. Grant Post No. 116, Bremerton.  
H. S. Hollister, Seattle.  
Chas. R. Conner, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.  
R. H. Ball, Larabee Post No. 18, Laconner.  
R. W. Williams, D. A. Russell Post No. 35, Mt. Vernon.

Alternates—

At Large—J. N. Butler, Sedgwick Post No. 8, Spokane.  
W. P. Sargeant, Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma.  
F. M. Seeley, L. C. Ladd Post No. 17, Puyallup.  
G. W. Carver, David Ford Post No. 11, Ellensburg.  
Wm. Badger, Meade Post No. 9, North Yakima.  
S. F. Decatur, D. A. Russell Post No. 35, Mt. Vernon.  
R. L. Lanning, Whitman Post No. 53, Pullman.  
Willis L. Ames, Stevens Post No. 1, Seattle.

Selection of a place for next Encampment being now in order, Wm. Goodyear and A. B. Baker of the Commercial Club of Pullman were admitted and made a strong plea for Pullman. On motion the Assistant Adjutant General was instructed to cast the vote for Pullman, and Pullman declared the city selected.

Encampment adjourned until 9:30, June 29.

**THURSDAY MORNING, JUNE 29, 1911.**

Encampment was called to order at 9:30 o'clock by Department Commander W. H. Wiscombe.

Comrade A. W. Hastie, Stevens Post No. 1, moved that this En-

campment appropriate \$75.00 for the Fife and Drum Corps. Motion carried.

The Annual Report of Department President of the W. R. C. was read by Assistant Adjutant General.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.**

June 28, 1911.

Resolved, That the Twenty-ninth Annual Encampment of the Department of Washington and Alaska, Grand Army of the Republic, endorses and hereby instructs our delegates to the National Encampment at Rochester, New York, to vote and labor for the endorsement by the National Encampment of

1st. The Suloway Pension Bill.

2nd. The selection of Los Angeles, California, as the place for the National Encampment in 1912.

3rd. Protest against the incorporation of the Grand Army of the Republic.

4th. Extend an invitation to the National Encampment to meet at Seattle, Washington, in 1915, the year of the San Francisco Panama Canal Exposition.

Whereas, The people of the City of Wenatchee have done so much for our entertainment and comfort, and

Whereas, This courtesy has been so universal from its citizens that a detailed list would be impossible, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this Department are gratefully extended to each and all of those who have done so much to make our stay here delightful.

C. B. DUNNING,  
LYMAN BANKS,  
Committee.

Resolutions adopted.

Comrade J. E. Gandy of Sedgwick Post No. 8 moved that a joint installation with the W. R. C. and Ladies of the G. A. R. be held in Commercial Club Hall this morning at 11 o'clock. Motion carried.

Comrade Richard, Post No. 47, moved that the thanks of this Encampment be extended to Wm. Goodyear for his excellent address. Motion seconded and carried.

Department Commander declared a recess until 11 a. m.

Encampment reconvened at 11 a. m. in a public joint installation. Past Department Commander Geo. W. Tibbetts installed the officers elect of the G. A. R.

Department Commander F. H. Hurd appointed Comrade A. W. Hastie

of Stevens Post No. 1 Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General. Comrade Hastie was duly installed.

After the Officers of the W. R. C. and Ladies of the G. A. R. were installed Encampment adjourned.

#### UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

The splendid program arranged by the Entertainment Committee and the loyal citizens of Wenatchee for the pleasure and comfort of their visitors during the entire three days of the Grand Army Encampment was carried out complete in all details, the social functions were woven in so that there was something to entertain every one all the time. The residents of the city and the entire valley seem to have thrown aside their business and home duties and devoted their whole time in entertaining their guests.

The Encampment took a recess at 11:30 a. m. on Tuesday, the first day, to attend the exercises of the Flag Presentation by the Ladies of the W. R. C. to the High School of Wenatchee, which took place at the attractive little City Park under the beautiful shade trees. A large number of people were present to witness those Patriotic Exercises. The Presentation Address was made by Mrs. Elizabeth McLean, President of Sedgwick W. R. C. No. 4 of Spokane, who drew very beautiful illustrations of the objects of the presentation of this flag to the children of the public schools. Responses were made in behalf of the schools and the citizens of Wenatchee by the President of the Board of Education and others.

Tuesday evening a reception was given at the Commercial Club rooms for the Department Officers by the Ladies of the W. R. C. The spacious rooms were filled to their capacity and the glad hand-shake of comradeship was given by all. After the reception a dance was indulged in by all that wished, and continued until the wee hours of the morning.

The Ladies of the G. A. R. also gave a reception at their headquarters, and the Daughters of the Grand Army gave a reception to the Department Commander, all on the same evening. All were enjoyed by all who had the pleasure of attending.

On Wednesday evening, the 28th, at 7 o'clock, the Assembly was sounded at the Commercial Club building for the parade. The weather was ideal, and all the organizations fell in line, which made quite a large showing. The streets of Wenatchee were lined with people, who cheered the Old Boys to the echo and made them feel that they were in the 60s again.

In the evening a general campfire was held at the City Park. A large audience was in attendance. Patriotic addresses were made by J. H. Shively, State Insurance Commissioner, the Honorable Wm. Goodyear of

Pullman, and several others. Commander-in-Chief John A. Gillman of Boston was represented by the National Surgeon General, Dr. John Loper Smith of Spokane. The program was interesting and was enjoyed by all. After the campfire, a social dance was given in the dining room at the Wenatchee Hotel, which continued until a late hour.

Everything was done by the citizens of Wenatchee for the comfort and entertainment of the Old Boys. A comfortable temporary hospital was provided, at no small expense, for any emergency that might occur during the Encampment. Also automobiles were provided free to take any of the visitors for a ride over the beautiful valley of orchards, and every one availed themselves of the opportunity to see the paradise where the Big Red Apple grows, and the ride over the beautiful roads to the highlands and view the vast orchards in all directions was a sight never to be forgotten. The people of Wenatchee and the surrounding valley illustrated their appreciation of our visit to them and their loyalty to our cause by their patriotism in so beautifully decorating the city and their homes with flags and bunting. Not only was the city very appropriately decorated, but the beautiful homes throughout the entire valley were covered with flags and bunting. Never in the history of this Department has genuine patriotism, loyalty and generosity been exemplified any more than at Wenatchee.

The Encampment practically concluded its festivities on Thursday evening with a social campfire in the Commercial Club hall, where short reminiscences and recitations were given by numerous comrades and ladies, and the universal expression was that the people of the little City of Wenatchee and its beautiful home-like valley are both patriotic and royal entertainers.

W. H. WISCOMBE,  
Department Commander.

## General Orders

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

Spokane, Wash., June 27, 1910.

#### General Orders No. 1.

Having been elected Department Commander at the Twenty-eighth Department Encampment, held at Hoquiam, Wash., I hereby assume command. The following appointment is hereby announced: Assistant Adjutant General and Assistant Quartermaster General, J. E. Stewart of Sedgwick Post No. 8. Headquarters are established at E. 303 Augusta Avenue, Spokane, Wash.

All reports of Post Quartermasters and Adjutants with the per capita tax should be sent to him on or before July 5, that the Department report may be forwarded to National on time.

The following officers were duly elected and installed: Department Commander, W. H. Wiscombe of General J. L. Reno Post No. 47, Spokane, Wash.; Senior Vice Commander, B. S. Philbrick, Hoquiam, Wash.; Junior Vice Commander, R. W. Williams, Mt. Vernon, Wash.; Medical Director, B. R. Freeman, Spokane, Wash.; Chaplain, T. E. Webby, North Yakima; Council of Administration, R. J. Chase, Seattle; Geo. W. Tibbetts, Orting; Giles O. Bump, Spokane; R. R. Harding, Port Angeles; E. A. Shores, Tacoma.

Delegates to the National Encampment, Joseph Dickinson (at large), Seattle; C. De Oyley, Seattle; M. M. Monahan, South Bend; B. L. Bull, North Yakima; E. A. Baldwin, Olympia; B. R. Reynolds, Bremerton; J. L. Lemon, Tacoma.

Alternates, T. H. Perrier (at large), Ellensburg; J. T. Stevens, Seattle; Richard Ball, Laconner; H. G. York, Snohomish; G. W. Carver, Ellensburg; F. A. West, Prosser; J. N. Kootz, Spokane; J. J. Eden, Bellingham.

Additional appointments will appear in future General Orders.

By Command of  
W. H. WISCOMBE,

Department Commander.

Official:

J. E. STEWART, Assistant Adjutant General.

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

Spokane, Wash., July 19, 1910.

#### General Orders No. 2.

I. The following additional appointments are hereby announced:

	<b>Chief of Staff.</b>	
J. H. Coffman, Custer Post No. 6.....		Tacoma
	<b>Judge Advocate.</b>	
J. M. Comstock, Sedgwick Post No. 8.....		Spokane
	<b>Chief Mustering Officer.</b>	
Wm. Gerard, J. B. Steedman Post No. 24.....		Bellingham
	<b>Patriotic Instructor.</b>	
Allen Garrish, John Buford Post No. 89.....		Everett
	<b>Department Inspector.</b>	
S. F. Street, Stevens Post No. 1.....		Seattle
	<b>Senior Aide-de-Camp.</b>	
T. H. Perrier, David Ford Post No. 11.....		Ellensburg
	<b>Officer of the Day.</b>	
E. C. Kilbourne, Stevens Post No. 1.....		Seattle
	<b>Department Color Bearer.</b>	
Capt. Joe Dickerson, John F. Miller Post No. 31.....		Seattle

II. Comrade William N. Wright of Custer Post No. 6, Tacoma, was elected a delegate to the National Encampment. His name was inadvertently left off General Orders No. 1.

III. A large number of Posts has not sent in their reports. Post Commanders and Adjutants are urged to attend to this matter without further delay, and thus avoid being placed on the delinquent list. Post Patriotic Instructors are requested to send in their names and postoffice address to Department Patriotic Instructor, Allen Garrish, Everett, Wash. Patriotic Instructors are required to encourage patriotism in their localities and to perform such other duties as may be required of them by the Department Patriotic Instructor.

IV. The Forty-fourth National Encampment will be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, during the week beginning September 19. National General Order No. 6 states the lowest railroad rate yet obtained is one and one-half fare for the round trip. It is a shame that we are so outrageously discriminated against by the railroad companies. The Commander-in-Chief writes me in a private letter that he does not think any better rates will be given.

V. The Department Commander and party expect to leave Spokane for Atlantic City September 9th or 10th. No official route has been

selected as yet. Any information regarding this trip will be cheerfully answered by the Department Commander. He would be pleased to have all delegates and comrades from this Department who propose going accompany him. From all reports this will be one of the greatest Encampments ever held by the Grand Army of the Republic. Let the Department of Washington and Alaska be well represented. The Assistant Adjutant General and Quartermaster General expects to accompany the Department Commander to the National Encampment, and Headquarters will be closed during the month of September. Posts needing supplies should send in their orders not later than September 1st.

VI. Now, Comrades, you have elected your officers. They have been installed and have entered upon their duties. The command is forward. Let no comrade waver or retreat until every comrade who served with us in the great struggle for the preservation of our government shall have been enrolled in the ranks of the Grand Army of the Republic.

By order of

W. H. WISCOMBE,

Department Commander.

J. E. STEWART,

Assistant Adjutant General.

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

Spokane, Wash., August 1, 1910.

**General Orders No. 3.**

Whereas rates given by the various railroad companies to the Forty-fourth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, during the week beginning September 19, 1910, is one fare and one-half for the round trip, approximately \$117.00 from Spokane, and it comes to our notice that there is an excursion rate being given—on certain dates—by which better rates can be obtained, your attention is called to the same—Chicago and return, \$72.50, good until October 31; Chicago to Atlantic City and return, \$25.70, tickets good for 30 days. Total cost of excursion ticket, \$98.30, saving about \$19.00.

The Great Northern Railroad has been selected as the official route.

A tourist sleeping car will be furnished from Spokane to Pittsburg, Pa., without change, providing eighteen tickets are guaranteed. This special car will leave headquarters on or about September 13, but tickets must be secured September 8. Ten days allowed to reach Chicago (September 18).

Tickets may be purchased in Spokane for the round trip, returning by any route selected.

Headquarters for this Department will be established at the Elwood Hotel. Delegates wishing to secure rooms at this hotel may do so by writing to H. H. Graff, the proprietor.

The price of Two or Three Dollars per day for single rooms and Four to Five Dollars per day for double rooms (American plan).

It is necessary for any Delegates or Comrades who are going and wish to join the Department Commander and party to send their names to the Department Headquarters at once in order to secure reservations in the special car.

And any further information regarding rates, etc., can be obtained by writing these Headquarters.

By order of

W. H. WISCOMBE,

Department Commander.

J. E. STEWART,

Assistant Adjutant General.

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

Spokane, Wash., October 24, 1910.

**General Orders No. 4.**

The Forty-fourth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic has become a record of the past, and this, like its predecessors, had its full measure of pleasure.

We can but add our voice of praise with the many others in honor of the noble spirit and enthusiastic welcome extended to the Grand Army by the citizens of Atlantic City. Comrades who were deprived of the pleasures and inspirations of the Encampment, you were not forgotten. Those present were the only reminders of the still greater number who could not be there.

The Department of Washington and Alaska, considering the great distance, was well represented, having sixteen comrades in that grade. Our elective delegation was full, also Department Commander, his Assistant Adjutant General and Past Department Commander Geo. H. Boardman. All were faithful in their attendance on the business sessions of the Encampment. Nor did they return without honors, as Dr. John L. Smith, a member of Sedgwick Post No. 8, of Spokane, was elected National Surgeon General. Another honor of which they are justly proud is that their Auxiliary, the W. R. C., captured the office of National Chaplain, Mary A. Gardner of John F. Miller Corps, No. 51, Seattle, being elected to that office.

Post Commanders are hereby authorized and instructed to appoint a comrade to inspect the Post before installation.

Inspection blanks will accompany these General Orders.

The annual election of officers will be held at the first regular meeting of the Post in December, as required by Rules and Regulations.

The election of delegates and alternates for the Twenty-ninth Department Encampment will be held at the same time. Each Post is entitled to one delegate for every fifteen members or major portion of that number. Necessary blanks will be forwarded in due time.

Special care should be taken to have names and addresses correctly given. Commanders are requested to see that the name of every comrade entitled to a seat in the Encampment appears on the credential, including delegates and alternates, that the roll may be complete and correct for the roster and our next Department Encampment at Wenatchee. Also see to it that returns are forwarded promptly to Headquarters immediately after installation.

All Post Commanders who have not designated a comrade for Aide-de-Camp upon the staff of Department Commander will please do so at once and forward the name to these Headquarters.

The attention of Post Commanders is again called to the delays and careless manner in which some of the semi-annual reports are made up and forwarded to Headquarters. A careful reading of the notes in fine print on Consolidated Forms A and B may prevent mistakes.

Dropped members are taken from the suspended list and no other.

It is with regret that we announce four Posts yet delinquent from June 30. Let there be no delinquents December 31st. There is no reason why all semi-annual reports should not reach these Headquarters on or before January 10, 1911.

By command of

W. H. WISCOMBE,  
Department Commander.

J. E. STEWART,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

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

Spokane, Wash., January 9, 1911.

**General Orders No. 5.**

Comrades, we are starting on the eve of a new year. And the Department Commander takes pleasure in wishing you all a prosperous and pleasant year. Let us all resolve to be comrades in deed and in fact, and throw aside all coldness from our ranks, and be always ready to give cheerful and encouraging words to unfortunate and afflicted comrades. Let us all be thankful to our Great Commander that we were spared to enjoy the blessings of the beautiful and bountiful Christmas

and New Year just passed. During the past year many of our comrades have been called to the shadowy regions to return and touch elbows with us no more. Our ranks are day by day growing surely and swiftly thinner. And those of us that are permitted to associate together this coming year, let us resolve to exercise a stronger and stronger spirit of fraternity, charity and loyalty towards one another.

The Council of Administration met in the office of the Department Commander, Falls City Building, Spokane, Wash., January 7, and fixed the date of the Twenty-ninth Department Encampment at Wenatchee, Wash., June 27, 28 and 29, 1911. Wenatchee is the home of the big red apple, and is located in the center of this Department. A beautiful and growing city, the attractiveness and location of the city of Wenatchee should insure a large attendance.

The following additional Aides-de-Camp on the staff of the Department Commander are hereby announced. They will be respected and obeyed accordingly:

H. D. Wright, Rockford, Post No. 41.  
J. S. Anderson, Bremerton, Post No. 116.  
A. M. Campbell, Prosser, Post No. 114.  
Herbert L. Childs, Kettle Falls, Post No. 75.  
E. L. Hudson, Seattle, Post No. 112.  
J. W. Ferguson, Wenatchee, Post No. 105.  
Martin Banister, Spokane, Post No. 8.  
Frank Burke, Spokane, Post No. 47.

**Semi-Annual Reports.**

Post Commanders and Adjutants who have not yet sent in reports are kindly requested to do so at once. Let us have no delinquent list.

Post Commanders are also urged to see that election returns are forwarded to these Headquarters immediately after installation, that the new Roster may be issued at once.

Information is wanted by Mrs. C. F. Nye Barton, of 114 Montgomery Avenue, Spokane. She would like to get into correspondence with any comrade that served in Co. C, 35th Ill. Inf., or that knew her father, Jesse Nye, who was a lieutenant in that company and regiment.

By order of

W. H. WISCOMBE,  
Department Commander.

J. E. STEWART,  
Assistant Adjutant General.

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

Spokane, Wash., March 30, 1911.

Memorial Day.

General Orders No. 6.

Once again the day approaches about which cluster the most tender and sacred sentiments of the entire nation—the day devoted to flowers in honor of the comrades who were with us in the battle's strife and who have preceded us into the land of perpetual peace. To the organization of which we are members, bound together by the strong ties of service and comradeship, and for the principles that are cherished in the hearts of all loyal men, and hallowed by the love and earnest prayers of noble women is given the honor and privilege of leading in the exercises of the day and covering with beautiful blossoms their final resting-places.

Tuesday, May 30th, is the time-honored Memorial Day—a precious day with us, and must be regarded with reverence, not jubilee.

Every member of our Order, and all others in sympathy with the object of the service, are urged to abstain from such pleasures as might detract from the sacredness which should hallow the services on this one day of the year, which day should be devoted to perpetuating the memory of the men who gave their lives that the nation might be saved as a union. We ask all friends of this busy world to pause with uncovered heads for a little time in honor of the gallant boys who gave their lives for the preservation of the Old Flag.

We cordially invite members of patriotic military and civic associations, the clergy, the teachers, children of the Sabbath Schools, the public and private schools, and all patriotic people to unite with us in honoring the memory of our sacred dead.

Post Commanders and Post Officers will assume directions of the details. They will invite the co-operation of the Women's Relief Corps and all allied organizations, and use their influence to have all business places closed on that day, and encourage all citizens and business men to assist in making Memorial Day an object lesson of patriotism.

Let us see that the grave of every soldier or sailor is decorated with flowers and a flag. Let us inculcate the memory of these men, and show the world that their soldier lives was a reveille of freedom.

Do not forget the Spanish-American War Veterans. Their graves should be decorated with flags and flowers. They did their duty nobly; let us cherish their memory and scatter flowers on their last resting-place. And do not pass by the little mound of any departed Confederate Soldier (should there be one in your cemetery) without dropping

thereon a flower. One of God's sweetest emblems of love and respect.

I would also suggest that wherever it can be done, that the beautiful memorial service of scattering flowers on the waters be conducted in memory of the soldier sailor dead.

Flowers are emblematic of the life to come. How becoming that we, the survivors of the great conflict, together with all patriotic and liberty-loving citizens, should meet on this day, set apart for sacred purposes, and strew flowers and plant the flag upon the graves of those who died in defense of our country.

Memorial services should be held at the cemeteries or some other suitable place, when Post Commanders will cause the address of President Lincoln at Gettysburg of November 19, 1863, to be read in connection with any other memorial exercises that may be arranged.

All Posts are requested to attend Divine services at some church or place of worship on Sunday preceding Memorial Day (namely, May 28), and as far as possible invite the W. R. C. or Ladies of the G. A. R. to attend with the Post, and encourage the delivery of appropriate services for the occasion in all churches.

Post Commanders are directed to the observance of the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic that the 14th day of June is the National Flag Day, and it is very necessary that all G. A. R. Posts encourage the public schools to observe this day by the display of the national colors, and invite all patriotic citizens to display the flag at their residences and places of business on that day.

And do not overlook one of the most important patriotic days—Friday preceding Memorial Day—at the public schools. The attention of the superintendent and teachers should be called to the object of holding and teaching of appropriate lessons of patriotism becoming to the adoption of that day. Post Chaplains will promptly forward to Department Chaplain, T. E. Webb, of North Yakima, a full and complete report of all exercises engaged in by their respective Posts on Memorial Day and forward same without delay.

The following additional Aides-de-Camp are herewith appointed: Comrade D. D. Earp, of A. Lincoln Post No. 4; F. P. Connell, of Milroy Post No. 62; O. F. Parmeter, of W. F. Cloud Post No. 119.

As stated in previous General Orders, the Twenty-ninth Department will meet at Wenatchee on June 27-28-29. A special railroad rate has been granted on all railroads in the state of one and one-third fare, on the certificate plan. Secure your certificate for return when you purchase your ticket. The patriotic people of Wenatchee are making preparations to accommodate all that will attend, and no doubt will give the Grand Army and their friends a grand reception. Any information regarding hotel or accommodations can be had by writing these Headquarters, or G. W. Coburn, Secretary of the Commercial Club, Wenatchee.

Specific details will be given in next General Orders, which will be sent out before June the first, when the committees will be named and dates of committee meetings set.

We are pleased to announce that Nathan P. Gregg Post No. 127, Hillyard, Wash., was instituted March 4th by Department Commander, with twenty charter members, A. J. Carey, Commander. The Department welcomes this new Post into our ranks and wishes for its success and happiness.

By command of

W. H. WISCOMBE,

Department Commander.

J. E. STEWART,

Assistant Adjutant General.

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

Spokane, Wash., May 25, 1911.

**General Orders No. 7.**

I. As announced in General Orders Nos. 5 and 6, the Twenty-ninth Department Encampment will convene at Wenatchee on June 27th, in the Commercial Club Auditorium. The meeting will be called to order promptly at 10 a. m.

II. The Council of Administration will meet to audit the books of the A. Q. M. G. at the Commercial Club Building at 8 a. m., June 27th.

III. Comrade H. R. Gale, of U. S. Grant Post No. 116, has been appointed on the Council of Administration to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term caused by the death of Comrade R. J. Chase.

IV. The following committees are herewith appointed:

On Credentials—A. A. G. J. E. Stewart, Sedgwick Post No. 8; F. H. Hurd, Stevens Post No. 1; W. L. Boyd, Gen. J. L. Reno Post No. 47.

On Order of Business—B. R. Freeman, Reno No. 47; W. A. Iman, Nath'l Lyons No. 19; S. S. King, Custer No. 6.

To respond to Address of Welcome by Mayor and Citizens of Wenatchee—G. W. Tibbetts, Stevens No. 1.

Response by G. A. R. to Presentation of Flag by W. R. C. to the High School of Wenatchee—J. M. Comstock, Sedgwick No. 8.

To Visiting Ladies of W. R. C.—C. B. Dunning, Sedgwick No. 8; T. W. Clark, Meade No. 9; Harry Wade, J. B. Steedman No. 24.

To Visiting Ladies of G. A. R.—H. W. North, John Buford No. 89; Willis L. Ames, Stevens No. 1; E. P. Connell, Gen'l. Milroy No. 62.

To Visiting Sons of Veterans—A. Chapman, Gen'l. J. L. Reno No. 47; K. P. Allen, Whitman No. 53; B. E. Baldwin, Washington No. 52.

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To Visiting Daughters of G. A. R.—C. De Oyley, Stevens No. 1; W. H. Robinson, Custer No. 6; A. J. Carey, N. P. Gregg No. 127.

Response to Visiting Ladies of W. R. C.—A. W. Hastie, Stevens No. 1.

Response to Visiting Ladies G. A. R.—J. F. McLean, A. Lincoln No. 4.

Response to Visiting Daughters of G. A. R.—J. E. Gandy, Sedgwick Post No. 8.

Response to Visiting Sons of Veterans—S. F. Street, Stevens No. 1.

V. The flag presentation to the High School of Wenatchee by the Ladies of the W. R. C. will take place at the City Park, at 12 o'clock, on June the 27th.

VI. Grand Parade will be made at 7 p. m., June 27th. The march will end at the City Park, where a general outdoor campfire will be held, at which time addresses will be made by Gov. M. E. Hay, Hon. J. H. Shively, and Comrade J. L. Smith, National Surgeon General, who will represent the Commander-in-Chief at the Encampment, it being impossible for the Commander-in-Chief to be present.

VII. Comrade E. C. Kilbourn, Officer of the Day, will detail six comrades in uniform to act as guards, who will report to J. E. Stewart, A. A. G., at 9:30 a. m., June 27th, for instructions.

VIII. All Department and Staff Officers, and Aides upon the staff of the National Commander-in-Chief are requested to meet in uniform at the Hotel Wenatchee at 9:30 a. m., June 27th, and march to the Commercial Hall, with the Department Commander, under direction of E. C. Kilbourn, Officer of the Day.

IX. Rooms can be secured at from 50 cents to \$1.50 per day. Meals will be furnished at 25 cents and up. Any information regarding hotels or accommodations can be had by writing G. W. Coburn, Secretary Wenatchee Commercial Club.

X. The Department Commander's Headquarters will be at the Wenatchee Hotel. A General Headquarters will be at the Commercial Club Building, where all delegates and representatives are expected to report, register and receive their badges.

XI. Arrangements have been made for halls for the different organizations as follows: The Grand Army business sessions will be held in the Commercial Club Auditorium, the W. R. C. in Masonic Hall, Ladies of the G. A. R. in Elks' Hall, Daughters of the G. A. R. in Eagles' Hall, Sons of Veterans in the Congregational Church.

XII. Railroad rates to Wenatchee and return will be on the certificate plan. Pay full fare one way. Get a certificate from the agent where you purchase your ticket; that will entitle you to one-third fare

for return. Tickets will be on sale June 23rd; good until two days after the Encampment adjourns.

XIII. Once more let us rally around the Old Flag and let us touch elbows again in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, and sing the old songs that we all love. Let us show to the world, and especially to the good, patriotic citizens of Wenatchee, that we are good citizens, as we tried in war to be good soldiers; that we will stand for the high ideals for which we fought from '61 to '65.

XIV. The Department Commander appreciates the work that is being done by the Commercial Club and the patriotic citizens of Wenatchee in assisting the few comrades and the Relief Corps in providing ways and means for the entertainment and comfort of this Encampment.

XV. Blanks for Adjutants' and Quartermasters' semi-annual reports for the term ending June 30th, 1911, will be sent with these General Orders. It is important that these reports be made out correctly and promptly and forwarded at once to the incoming A. A. G. His report is due at National Headquarters, July 20th. Post Commanders should see that there is no delay in this matter.

XVI. We take great pleasure in reporting that another new Post, E. W. Sager No. 128, was organized on May 6th at Grandview, Wash., in the beautiful Yakima Valley. The members of this new Post are all energetic business men, and their success is assured. The Department extends them a hearty welcome.

XVII. A. Q. M. G. books will be closed June 20th, and no supplies will be issued after that date until after the Encampment.

XVIII. In sorrow we announce the death of Capt. R. J. Chase, member of the Council of Administration of this Department. Comrade Chase was a very efficient Department Officer, and his good counsel and genial companionship will be much missed at our Department Encampment.

By command of

W. H. WISCOMBE,

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