

Encampment Proceedings 1981

One year ago, I had the distinct honor of being elected to the highest Department Office, Department Commander. I thank everyone for their trust in me to represent the State of Ohio. I thank everyone for your gracious hospitality extended to me, your friendliness, and for your co-operation this year. It has been my pleasure to serve as your Department Commander

for the year 1980-1981. The following is a list of activities that I attended this past year:

June 27, 28, 29, 1980 -- attended the Ohio Encampment at Mt. Union College, and an Encampment Planning Committee Meeting immediately following the Department Encampment.

July 6, 1980 -- District #1 meeting at Silver Park in Alliance, Ohio

August 16-21, 1980 -- National Encampment, Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War in Richmond, Virginia. I was appointed National GAR Highway Officer by Commander-in-Chief, Richard Wyman.

September 21, 1980-- District #1 meeting in Salem, Ohio.

September 28, 1980 -- District #2 meeting in Mansfield, Ohio.

November 15, 1980 -- I was honored by my Testimonial in Mansfield, there was a terrific crowd, I thank all who came.

November 15, 1980 -- I attended an excellent service in Gettysburg PA

November 20, 1980 -- I gave a speech about the Sons at the Butler Historical Society meeting in Butler, Ohio.

February 15, 1981 -- I attended the Lincoln Day Dinner in Mansfield.

April 14, 15, 1981 -- I attended the wreath-laying Ceremony in Springfield, Illinois, where I presented a wreath for Ohio. After the ceremony, I attended a Banquet which was a continuation of the ceremony. While in Springfield, I also visited the National Headquarters of The Daughters of Union Veterans of The Civil War.

April 26, 1981 -- I attended the Ashland Civil War Gun Show in Ashland, Ohio. I helped pass out literature about the Sons and recruit members.

May 3, 1981 -- I attended an Encampment Planning Committee meeting at Tom Graham's apartment in Alliance, Ohio.

May 9, 1981 -- I attended a Memorial Day Planning Committee meeting in Mansfield, Ohio.

May 17, 1981 -- I attended Memorial ceremonies at Johnson's Island.

May 24, 1981 -- I attended District #2 meeting at Mansfield, Ohio.

May 25, 1981 -- I recited General Logan's Orders as part of Mansfield's Memorial Day Services.

As you probably know by now, the Daughters of Union Veterans of The Civil War are seeking a Congressional Charter similar to our own. The last that I heard about the Bill, it was still in a House Committee. I wish the best of Luck in the Daughter's quest for their Congressional Charter.

It is about time to begin preparing for our National Encampment. This year will be the 100th Annual National Encampment of The Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War. It will be in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on August 9 thru 13.

Recommendations:

(1.) The Services at Johnson's Island become an annual event.

(2.) That the incoming Commander continue to investigate Buffington Island and its condition.

(3.) In the past years, some committees have been neglected, such as those described in the Department Bylaws, Article 7, Section I. I am guilty of this myself. I recommend these committees be chosen annually, or dropped from the Ohio Department Bylaws. The Fraternal Relations Committee should be made mandatory. This is necessary to strengthen the Sons, and our relations with our Sister Organizations.

The June, 1981, Encampment is the climax of my year as Commander. It has been a very rewarding year, I hope that your year has been as rewarding, and that each Department Commander after me has a year at least as good as was mine.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity,
Charity, and Loyalty,
George B. Shadel, Ohio Department Commander
Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War

Charles Corfman
R. D. 1, Box 65
Holmesville, Ohio 44633

Senior Vice Commander's Report:

- June 20-22 -- I attended our State Convention at Alliance where I had the honor of being elected to the Office of Senior Vice Commander.
- July 4, 1980, -- I participated in a cannon firing demonstration at Wooster, with the 16th O.V. I. Rain started as we were finishing and the fireworks display was canceled until the following evening.
- July 27, 1980 -- I paraded in North Royalton with the 16th O.V.I. This was followed by a cannon firing demonstration.
- August 17-21, 1980 -- My wife and I attended our National S.U.V. Convention. We also toured historic Richmaond and Williamsburg.
- August 31, 1980 -- I participated in the Barbarton Homecoming Parade with the 16th O.V.I. We received first place trophy for our Division.
- October 5, 1980 -- I attended a battle re-inactment at Clay's Park with the 16th O.V.I. This is a park that should be seriously considered for a National SVR Encampment.
- October 12, 1980 -- Our first Camp meeting was held at Portage Savings Bank.
- November 8, 1980 -- My wife and I attended a reception for George Shadel, our Department Commander, at the GAR Memorial Hall in Mansfield.
- November 23 & 24, 1980 -- My wife and I participated in Remembrance Day ceremonies at Gettysburg, PA.
- December 7, 1980 -- Our second Camp meeting of the year.
- February 1, 1981 -- Our third Camp meeting was held. Several people who have helped our Camp were invited to the Lincoln Day Dinner and program which followed.
- April 5, 1981 -- Our fourth and final Camp meeting was held with plans for New Market, Memorial Day, and Gettysburg being discussed.
- May 25, 1981 -- Participated in Memorial Day Parade in Wooster.
- June 26-28, 1981 -- Back to Alliance for 1981 State Convention.
- Yours in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,
Charles Corfman
Senior Vice Commander

To all Brothers and Officers of The Ohio Department:

One year ago, at the 98th Encampment, The Ohio Department of The Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War honored me by electing me to the high position of Junior Vice Commander. I have enjoyed serving in this position and have done my best to properly represent the Department. I attended the following activities:

July 11, 1980 -- District #1 picnic at Silver Park in Alliance, Ohio

September 17, 1980 -- Constitution Day Ceremony sponsored by the Canton Chapter D.A.R. at the Place Theater in Canton, Ohio. I was seated on the stage and introduced as the Junior Vice Commander of Ohio Department.

November 8, 1980 -- attended the reception for Department Commander George Shadel in Mansfield.

January 21, 1981 -- attended ceremony on the city square in Canton, Ohio, where yellow ribbons which had been placed for the hostages in Iran were removed and red, white, and blue ribbons put in their place.

February 16, 1981 -- As the Royal Patron of Emerald Court #33, Order of the Amaranth, I had as the program for our meeting, Mr. Orville Koher who is a Nationally known expert on Abraham Lincoln. He presented an excellent slide program on the assassination of Lincoln.

February 22, 1981 -- I attended the D.A.R.-S.A.R. Washington Day Banquet at the Church of The Savior Methodist Church, (President McKinley's own Church). In the ceremonies which followed the banquet, I was introduced in my capacity as Junior Vice Commander of the Ohio Department.

April 26, 1981 -- I attended the District #1 meeting at Unionport, Ohio. The program included an interesting test on facts about our American Flag.

During this year I have also functioned as the Commander of McClellan Camp #91 in Alliance, Ohio. I have missed only one meeting when I was in the hospital due to phlebitis. We have had two initiations and will have at least one member initiated at the 99th Encampment. I have tried my best to conduct our meetings and represent the Department according to the high ideals and principles of serving in this high office and I hope that my efforts have been successful.

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

Larry K. Swogger, Junior Vice Commander, Department of Ohio

To Department Commander George Shadel, Officers, and Members of the 99th Encampment of The Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War,

Greetings:

It has again been a pleasure to serve you as your Secretary-Treasurer for another year.

On the last quarterly report before last year's Department Encampment, we had a membership of 148. On our last quarterly report I sent into National, we had a membership of 134. Unfortunately five Members passed to their reward and some of the Camps had to drop Members for non-payment of dues. Indications are that this number will increase by our next quarterly reports which cover the period ending on June 30.

The Camps have been prompt in sending in their per capita and I am happy to report that no Camps are in arrears.

I sent checks in the amount of \$25.00 to both the homes at Sandusky and Xenia for their Christmas Funds. Donations were received from McLaughlin Camp #12 \$20.00, P.D.C. Thomas E. Hoffman \$20.00, and \$5.00 from P.C.C. Richard Greenwalt towards these funds. As authorized by last year's Department Encampment, checks in the amount of \$25.00 each were sent to the National Patriotic Instructor's Fund and the 100th Anniversary Fund.

Last year I reported to you \$917.53 in the Permanent Fund. The total

of this Fund as of May 28th, 1981, is \$1077.03.

My congratulations to our Department Commander for a year of dedicated service to our Order. His General Orders were informative and were always at Headquarters so that they could be sent out with The Banner, this saving the Department postage expense. The expense for the printing of the General Orders and last year's Encampment Proceedings was taken care of by the Department Commander and his family, again saving the Department money.

Respectfully in F., C., and L.
Richard Greenwalt, Department Secretary-Treasurer
SUVCW

Report of The Department Treasurer
Book Balance, June 1, 1980 - - - - \$30.00

Receipts:

Love Gift from Department Auxiliary	\$25.00
Registration, 1980 Encampment	18.00
Patriotic Instructor's Fund	198.50
Chief of Staff Fund	137.00
Christmas Fund for Sandusky and Xenia	45.00
Per capita tax from Camps	472.10
Members at large	90.00
Supplies	29.00
Donation from Vienna Camp	53.20
Donation from Forest Altland	15.00
Donation from District #1	10.00
	\$1092.80

Expenditures:

1980 Encampment	\$42.42
1980 Encampment Proceedings postage	3.48
National Patriotic Instructor	25.00
National 100th Anniversary	25.00
Department Commander's Banquet at National	13.50
Sandusky Home Christmas Fund	25.00
Xenia Home Christmas Fund	25.00
Central Regional Dues	5.00
Per capita to National	309.85
Postage	245.30
Supplies	45.50
Bank Service Charges	4.88
	\$769.93

Balance June 1, 1981

\$352.87

GAR Highway Report
Ohio Department
Sons of Union Veterans

The GAR Highway, commonly known as U.S. Route 6, was inspected by me from Pennsylvania to Indiana, during the course of last year. The only marker noted was located at 189th Street in Cleveland.

I also inspected the entire Ohio length of U.S. Route 30, known as the Lincoln Highway. There I located two markers, one at the intersection of State Route 57 in Wayne County, the other in Crawford County in a rest area.

The problem with the highway markers on both highways is that the road have been widened and the markers not replaced. Also, the roads have been rerouted and made into four lane expressways, sometimes a mile or more from

where a marker did or possibly does exist. The case in point is the Lincoln Highway marker in Crawford County, it is in a rest area approximately a half mile from the present Route 30, but was the shoulder of what was the Lincoln Highway many years ago.

It is my recommendation that a committee be appointed by the incoming Department Commander to have some appropriate signs constructed to be erected at the points where the GAR and Lincoln Highways enter and leave the State of Ohio. It is further recommended that an amount of money be allocated to the committee for the purchase of supplies necessary to effect construction, in the sum not to exceed \$100.00

It is also recommended that each member, as well as the Department Secretary, on behalf of the Ohio Department, send a letter to Governor Rhodes and their local Representatives and Senators, expressing a wish to restore the markers to both highways to which the memories of Lincoln and our noble forefathers of the Grand Army of The Republic, were so dedicated.

It is further recommended that a copy of this report be mailed immediately, by the Ohio Department Secretary, to the National G.A.R. Highway Officer. A second copy should be directed to the National Secretary along with a report of the action of the Ohio Department of the above recommendation..

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon R. Bury II, G.A.R. Highway Officer
Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans

June 26, 27, 28, 1981
Alliance, Ohio
99th Ohio Dep't Encampment

Department Commander, Brothers:

Last June, at the 98th Ohio Encampment, Department Commander George Shadel, gave me the honor of being your Patriotic Instructor for the coming year. I would like to thank the brothers and sisters of this Organization for their help. Following is a list of donations:

Roy Smith	\$10.00
Ralph Shadel	5.00
George Shadel	5.00
Judy Morgan	2.00
District #1	5.00
McLaughlin Camp #12	15.00
Thomas Hoffman	5.00
Charles Corfman	10.00
Vienna Camp	10.00
Richard Greenwalt	10.00
Robert Wolz	5.00
Raffle	57.00
	\$139.00

Yours in F., C., and L.
Wilbur E. Haueter
Patriotic Instructor

Ohio Department
Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War

Greetings:

Having been appointed Department Chief of Staff by George Shadel, Department Commander, I have attended a great many functions of the S.U.V. activities during the past year.

As Chief of Staff my duty was to raise money for the Department. I supplied raffle prizes valued at 75.50. However, the sale of the raffle tickets netted \$53.50.

Donations from members and friends are as follows:

Robert Wolz	\$ 5.00
Donald Cline	5.00
District #2	4.00
Ralph Shadel	5.00
George Shadel	5.00
Thomas Hoffman	5.00
McLaughlin Camp #12	15.00
District #1	5.00
Roy Smith	15.00
Jane Graham	5.00
Forest Altland	5.00
Charles Corfman	10.00
Richard Greenwalt	10.00
Vienna Camp	10.00
Raffle	53.50
	\$207.50

Respectfully submitted, in F., C., and L.
Forest Altland, Department Chief of Staff

Report of The Committee on Officer's Reports of The Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Officer's Reports finds all reports of the Officers properly submitted, of fine quality, and most noteworthy. We commend the Officers on a job well done, both in their term of Office as reflected by their reports and by the reports themselves, as referred to this Committee.

Two of the reports contain recommendations, the Department Commander and the G.A.R. Highway Officer. This Committee concurs with the several recommendations, and refers them to the General Body here Assembled for disposition.

Respectfully submitted,
Gordon R. Bury II
Ralph Shadel

Communications read were a letter from our Commander-in-Chief, Richard Wyman, stating that he plans to attend the Encampment; a letter from P.D.S. W. Gordon Ryan of Vienna Camp, which included a donation in the amount of \$50.00, which he wanted to go toward Encampment Expenses; and the following endorsement:

Gentlemen:

Given Camp #50, Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War hereby endorses for the Office of Department Commander its Secretary-Treasurer who has held all of the elected offices in the Camp, serving as Camp Commander from 1977 through 1980. This individual has held a number of appointed and elected offices in the Department and currently holds the Office of Department Senior Vice Commander.

Given Camp #50, Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans hereby places on record its endorsement of Charles Corfman for the Office of Ohio Department Commander, Sons of Union Veterans.

Jon Critchfield, Commander
Given Camp #50, Ohio Department
Sons of Union Veterans

Attested: Gordon R. Bury II
Camp Counselor

The following was unanimously passed and sent into National:

In accord with the resolutions and amendments to the SUVCW regulations passed at the 1980 Ohio Department Encampment, the following amendment to the Constitution is hereby submitted in proper form for passage:

Amendment to the SUVCW Constitution

Article IV Formation & Disbandment

Delete from Section 3...." to consist of five or more camps with a minimum aggregate membership of one hundred & fifty members."

Thus causing it to read: Section 3. A Department may be formed by authority of the Commander-in-Chief.

Add a new Section 4 reading: A Provisional Department may be created in states having 3 or more regular or provisional Camps. The Commander-in-Chief may call a meeting for the purpose of organizing a Department and election of Department Officers. After one year a Provisional Department shall be granted permanent Department status by the Commander-in-Chief. Sections 4 & 5 Will be renumbered Section 5 & 6

Richard Greenwalt P.C.C.

Ohio Department Secretary-Treasurer

This report was received and the Secretary directed to comply with the final paragraph.

June 27, 1981

G.A.R. Highway Report

Ohio Department

Sons of Union Veterans

..... It is further recommended that a copy of this report be mailed immediately, by the Ohio Department Secretary, to the National G.A.R. Highway Officer. A second copy should be directed to the National Secretary along with a report of the action of the Ohio Department on the above recommendations.

Action taken at this Department Encampment:

1. The sum of \$25.00 to be contributed to the National Patriotic Instructor.
2. The sum of \$25.00 to be contributed to the Christmas funds for the homes at Sandusky and Xenia.
3. The Secretary is to go through all available records to see what should be recorded as perpetual records.
4. The Secretary is to assist in securing materials for the 100th Anniversary.
5. The Secretary was authorized to invest Permanent Funds, so that a better rate of interest may be obtained.
6. The Secretary was authorized to invest Department Funds, so that a better rate of interest may be obtained.
7. The incoming Commander was instructed to continue with the SVR in the Memorial Observance at Johnson's Island.
8. The incoming Commander is to continue the possibility of again adding the Daughters of Union Veterans of The Civil War to our Allied Order Family here in Ohio.
9. The Ohio Department go on record as opposing the U.S. Army ban on saying a prayer by voice or speech at the Tomb of The Unknown Soldier at Arlington, Virginia.
10. The incoming Department Commander appoint a special committee to serve for the required period of time to investigate the possibility and feasibility, along with inter and intra Allied Order participation, concurring with the hosting by the Ohio Department of the National Encampment to be held in Ohio in 1984 or 1985, that the committee shall report their findings to the June, 1982, and subsequent Encampments as needed, the results of their endeavors.

The following brothers were elected by unanimous vote to serve the Department for 1981-1982:

Department Commander - - Charles Corfman, R.D. #1, Holmesville OH 44633

Senior Vice Commander - - Larry Swogger, 205 Pershing N.E., North Canton, OH 44720

Junior Vice Commander - - Ralph Shadel, 186 Essex Road, Lexington, OH 44904

Department Council - - 3-year term: George Shadel, 186 Essex Road Lexington, OH 44904

2-year term: Thomas Graham, 314 East Main St. Alliance, OH 44601

1-year term: Forest Altland, 972 Washington St., Wooster, OH 44691

Secretary-Treasurer - - Richard Greenwalt, 616 West Summit, Alliance, OH 44601

The Officers were installed by P.D.C. Robert Wolz with Roy Smith acting as Chaplain. George Shadel was presented his Past Department Commander's badge by his father, P.D.C. Ralph Shadel. One new member was initiated during the Encampment.

Our Commander-in-Chief brought us greetings from the National Organization and his own personal greetings. He expressed his appreciation for our hospitality, our endeavors on behalf of the Order, and urged all to try to attend the 100th Anniversary Encampment in Philadelphia.

The Banquet for the Grand Army Family was held on Saturday evening in the Hoover-Price Center at Mt. Union College. The speaker of the evening was Ernest Williams, a resident of Alliance, with many accomplishments to his credit. He gave us a stirring message of patriotic hope. The musical part of the program was also excellent. The evening was concluded with a reception honoring our Department Heads.

The joint Memorial Service was held on Sunday morning, during which the following deaths were memorialized:

Frank Joice from Governor Dennison Camp #1

Alan Porter from Vienna Camp #26

Robert Norton from Given Camp #50

O.M. White from Given Camp #50

Dr. George Cutton from McClellan Camp #91

Richard Greenwalt, Secretary-Treasurer
Ohio Department
Sons of Union Veterans of The Civil War