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PROCEEDINGS

ONE-HUNDREDTH  
ANNUAL OHIO ENCAMPMENT

SONS OF UNION VETERANS  
OF  
THE CIVIL WAR

MOUNT UNION COLLEGE  
ALLIANCE, OHIO

JUNE 26, 27, 28th, 1982

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OHIO DEPARTMENT  
 SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR  
 ENCAMPMENT PROCEEDINGS 1982

The 100th Encampment of the Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was held at Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio on June 26, 27 & 28, 1982, with Charles Corfman, Department Commander, presiding.

The only business transaction on Friday the 26th was the Auditing of the books of the Secretary-Treasurer by the Department Council.

The Campfire program for the four Allied Orders in attendance was hosted by the Sons to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of our Organization. The speaker of the evening was Orville Koher, who gave a very informative and interesting talk with accompanying slides on the subject of The Assassination Of Lincoln. He had wonderful material and pointed out many of the similarities of the assassinations of Lincoln and of John F. Kennedy. A social time followed enjoyed by all with Birthday cakes baked by our Senior Vice Commander, Larry Swogger.

The first session of the Encampment on Saturday the 27th was the joint opening with the Chief-of-Staff, George Shadel and the Chief-of-Staff of the Auxiliary, Ramona Greenwalt, in charge. The Department Officers of the Sons and the Auxiliary were escorted into the room, followed by the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons, Harry Gibbons, of Buffalo, New York and the National Treasurer of the Auxiliary, Esther Peiper, representing the National President Ann Wilikie. After brief remarks by the presiding officers, the sons retired to their meeting room for the first business session of the Encampment.

Department Commander Charles Corfman appointed the following committees:

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|------------------|-------|-------------------|
| Registration     | ----- | Forest Altland    |
| Officers Reports | ----- | Forest Altland    |
|                  |       | Roy Smith         |
|                  |       | Phil Berry        |
| Resolutions      | ----- | George Shadel     |
|                  |       | Gordon R. Bury II |

Roll Call Of Officers in Attendance:

|                      |    |                      |
|----------------------|----|----------------------|
| Department Commander | -- | Charles Corfman      |
| Sr, Vice Commander   | -- | Larry K. Swogger     |
| Jr. Vice Commander   | -- | Ralph Shadel         |
| Secretary-Treasurer  | -- | Richard L. Greenwalt |
| Assist. Sec'y-Treas. | -- | Ralph Shadel         |
| Chief of Staff       | -- | George Shadel        |
| Patriotic Instructor | -- | Dan McGuire          |
| Guard                | -- | Tom Hoffman          |
| Chaplain             | -- | Roy Smith            |
| Counselor            | -- | Robert J. Wolz       |

The next item of business was the receiving of the following Officers reports;

Department Commander;

On June 27 and 28th 1981, I attended the State S.U.V. Convention, where I had the privilege of being elected Department Commander, My wife Janice was elected President of the Ladies of the G.A.R. at the same time. We have appreciated the many advantages of the dual Presidency.

The spirit of our Organization came through when I selected the Staff for 1981-1982. Everyone accepted as requested and went to work at their volunteered jobs.

On July 2-6, we attended the S.V.R. National Encampment at Gettysburg, Pa. I served as assistant to the Chief of Artillery. We had 3,000 troops with 81 cannon for the battle. Over 700 attended the Military Ball in uniform and Civil War dress. It rained throughout the Encampment and made the slipperiest mud I have ever seen. Our camper had to be pulled out by a farm tractor.

On August 8-12, we attended our National Convention in Philadelphia, Pa. I attended a reception for Department Commanders; Filled in as Guide for one day; and led the Ohio Department Delegation in a contested vote for Sr. Vice Commander. The day after the convention, we toured the Atlantic City Casino's, at least we didn't lose much.

On August 22 & 23, we attended a Battle Re-enactment at Eaton, Ohio. This was a small event with about 150 troops, but was well organized with Battle; Ladies Events; Military Ball and etc.

On Sept. 27, we attended the District No. 1 S.U.V. dinner and meeting. Their election was held and I had the privilege to install the new officers of the District.

On October 4, we attended the District No. 2 dinner and meeting at Tom Hoffman's home at Mansfield.

On November 14th our children hosted a joint reception for me as Department Commander and my wife Janice, as President of the Ladies of the G.A.R. About 35 guest arrived at our home for this event and we received many fine gifts. Particular Thanks to Forest and Orma Altland for their help with the arrangements.

On November 21 and 22 we attended Remembrance Day celebration in Gettysburg, Pa. I attended the Unit Commanders meeting; marched in the parade; and gave Greetings from the Ohio Department S.U.V. at the indoor ceremonies. This was followed by a banquet and Military Ball. On Sunday, we went to church and sat in the Lincoln Pew.

On December 3, I attended the Thanksgiving Dinner at Tom and Jane Graham's home at Alliance.

On December 12, I attended a meeting of Philip Triem Camp at Salem, Ohio. I installed the new Officers here.

On February 7, 1982, Given Camp No. 50 held their Lincoln Day dinner along with the Ladies of the G.A.R.

In March, we received word that Tom and Jane Graham were leaving the area and Tom resigned as convention chairman.

On April 15, Janice and I attended the Lincoln Tomb Ceremonies. This is a memorable and worthwhile trip. We left at 4p.m. Wed. and returned at 2 a.m. Friday. We both had to work Friday. The ceremony and luncheon are well worth the trip.

Department Commander's report continued;

On May 16, Janice and I attended District No. 2 meeting at Mansfield. After the meeting, we toured the G.A.R. meeting room in the upstairs of the building. Efforts are being made to restore and preserve this building.

On May 30th, Given Camp No. 50 and the Ladies of the G.A.R. conducted Memorial Services at the Rogues Hollow Historical Society.

On May 31, 16th O.U.I. participated in the Wooster Memorial Day Parade. This time I rode in a convertible.

On June 19 and 20th, the 16th O.V.I. demonstrated cannon firing at Loudonville, Ohio. We had good local interest in our organization.

June 25, 26 and 27, bring us back to Alliance, where this report started. If the cooperation continues as it has through this year, we should have a fine Convention.

I would like to express my thanks to Dick Greenwalt for his advice and guidance through the year, and to his wife Bea, for typing my General Orders. Dick and I have similar skills in penmanship. Also I would like to thank Forest Altland and Ralph Shadel for their help in problems Large and Small.

Our Order has a great Past and a Great Heritage.

We Preserve the Memories of the Civil War Era.

"Those who will not learn their History will make the same mistakes again"

We attempt to present a more accurate and original history of the era than that which is popular today.

In the S.V.R., the solidity of the S.U.V. has kept the Battle Re-enactments in a consistent, believable, reality in spite of criticism by others. I have seen other armies come and go, but the S.V.R. is still there. May both continue.

Charles Corfman  
Ohio Department Commander  
Sons of Union Veterans  
of the Civil War

Senior Vice Commander report;

To All Brothers and Officers of the Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War:

Greetings :

One year ago, the Ohio Department accorded me the high honor of electing me to serve in the position of Senior Vice Commander. I have enjoyed serving in this position and I wish to thank one and all for the courtesies extended to me. I have done my best to properly represent the Department. I attended the following activities;

- June 26-28, 1981 -- Ohio Department Encampment at Mt. Union College in Alliance, Ohio, where I was elected Senior Vice Commander
- July 12, 1981 -- District No. 1 Picnic at Silver Park in Alliance.
- November 19, 1981 - Thanksgiving Dinner at the home of Jane and Tom Graham in Alliance.
- December 30, 1981 - Kraut Supper at Graham's for members of S.U.V. and Auxiliary
- January 19, 1982 -- Ceremony at the McKinley Monument in Canton, Ohio, marking the 139th Birthday of former President William McKinley, it was sponsored by Mrs. Major McKinley Tent No.1, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War of Massillon. A picture of this event was in the Canton Repository.
- February 7, 1982 -- The Annual Lincoln Day Dinner of Given Camp No.50 and Robert Burns Brown Circle No.103, Ladies of the G.A.R. in Wooster, Ohio
- February 14, 1982 - Annual Lincoln Day Dinner of McLaughlin Camp No.12 and the Woman's Relief Corp in Mansfield, Ohio
- February 21, 1982 - Annual D.A.R. - S.A.R. George Washington Day Banquet at the Church of the Savior Methodist Church in Canton, Ohio. I was introduced in my capacity as Senior Vice Commander of the Ohio Department.
- March 31, 1982 -- Had the pleasure of installing the Officers of McClellan Camp No. 91.
- May 16, 1982 -- District No.2 meeting in Mansfield.
- May 30, 1982 -- An old style initiation in Full Battle Dress by Given Camp No.50 and an initiation by Robert Burns Brown Circle No.103 at the Rogues Hollow Historical Society in Doylestown, The Ladies of the G.A.R. Then held a Memorial Service and a Procession to Crybaby Bridge where the Gettysburg Address and Logan's Order were read and flowers were cast on the waters. I was asked to take the Senior Vice Commander's Station and give the Flag Charge as well as participate in the Memorial. My Mother joined the Ladies of the G.A.R.



Department Senior Vice Commander report continued;

May 31, 1982 - Rode in the Memorial Day Parade in Canton, Ohio, as the representative of a Civil War Group. I was accorded a position of honor in the first group section of the parade. I had labeled our car to identify me as the Senior Vice Commander of the Ohio Department. In the ceremonies which followed the parade, I was seated on the steps of the McKinley Monument beside of the Mayor of Canton and introduced with Department Officers of other Veteran Groups.

In conclusion, I have enjoyed representing the Department this year and I look forward to doing what ever I can for the Department in the coming year.

Respectfully submitted in  
Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty  
Larry K. Swogger  
Senior Vice Commander  
Ohio Department , Sons of Union  
Veterans of the Civil War

Department Junior Vice Commander;

To our Department Commander, Charles Corfman, all Officers and members of the Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Greetings;

It has been my extreme pleasure to serve as Department Junior Vice Commander. As we all know, the primary duty of the Junior Vice Commander is to promote membership. Over this past term, I have handed out and mailed 32 membership forms, as well as handed out to our members an additional 20 forms, and it is my hope that most, or at least some of these membership forms found their way back to some camp and were sworn in as members.

I regret that I am not able to report that I attended all Sons of Union Veterans functions this past year, but due to lack of funds I had to curtail my travels. I especially missed not being in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania for the Remembrance Day activities last November, since I had not missed one for the past 10 years. However it was my pleasure to attend the reception held for our Department Commander at his home on Saturday, November 14, 1981 and also attended the District No. 1 meeting in Salem, last September 27th, and also attended District No. 2 meeting in Mansfield on October 11, 1981 and May 16, 1982.

It is my hope that during the past year I have done some small part to help preserve the Memory of the Grand Army of The Republic and pledge to continue in these efforts.

Yours in  
Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty  
Ralph Shadel  
Department Junior Vice Commander

Secretary report;

To Department Commander, Charles Corfman, Officers and members of the 100th Encampment of the Ohio Department, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Greetings;

It has been a pleasure to serve you as your Secretary-Treasurer for the past year. At our 1981 Encampment we had a membership of 134 and on the last report sent to National this has dropped to 123. As of this report I know of two brothers who have passed to their rewards and the rest have been dropped for non payment of dues.

The camps have been prompt in sending in their quarterly reports with the exception of Salem, who has a new Secretary and Cincinnati where Bill Duval has run into physical problems.

I sent checks in the amount of \$25.00 to the Homes in Sandusky and Xenia, which were covered by donations, from McLaughlin Camp, Thomas Hoffman, and Richard Greenwalt. I sent a check in the amount of \$25.00 to the National Patriotic Instructors fund.

Last year I reported the Permanent Fund as \$1,077.03. On October 7, 1981, I purchased an Investment Bond for 30 months in the amount of \$1,000, at the rate of 15.95 from the United Bank of Alliance, in addition on Pass Book Savings at the United Bank we have \$225.62. Due to contributions from Gov. Dennison Camp, McLaughlin Camp, Thomas Hoffman, and a contribution from Richard Greenwalt in memory of P.D.C. Robert C. Wolz.

On October 2, 1981, I purchased a 30 month C.D. in the amount of \$1,000 at a rate of 16.2 from the First Federal Savings and Loan of Alliance. In addition to our check book balance we have on Passbook savings at the First Federal \$295.55.

My congratulations to our Department Commander for a year of Dedicated Service and sincere thanks for our open line of communication and the fact that he had his General Orders, so that they could be sent to the membership.

Respectfully in

F.C. and L.

Richard Greenwalt

Secretary Ohio Department

Department Treasurer report;

Book Balance June 1, 1981

\$408.37

Receipts;

|                                        |         |
|----------------------------------------|---------|
| Love Gift From Department Auxiliary    | \$25.00 |
| Registration 1981 Encampment           | 17.00   |
| Patriotic Instructors fund             | 139.00  |
| Chief of Staff fund                    | 207.50  |
| Christmas Funds for Sandusky and Xenia | 50.00   |
| Per Capita Tax from camps              | 491.15  |
| Members at Large                       | 120.00  |
| Donations from Vienna Camp No.26       | 148.50  |

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\$1,198.15

Expenditures:

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| 1981 Encampment                      | \$ 53.67 |
| Ohio Department Chief of Staff       | 10.00    |
| Ohio Department Patriotic Instructor | 10.00    |
| National Patriotic Instructor        | 25.00    |
| Sandusky Home, Christmas             | 25.00    |
| Xenia Home, Christmas                | 25.00    |
| Central Region Dues                  | 5.00     |
| Per Capita Tax to National           | 379.10   |

## Expenditures continued;

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| First Federal Savings and Loan    | \$270.00 |
| Supplies                          | 183.00   |
| General Orders                    | 21.47    |
| Overpayment Members at Large      | 12.00    |
| Flowers for P.D.C. Robert C. Wolz | 29.00    |
| Banner Expense to Tom Graham      | 24.40    |
| Postage                           | 143.85   |
| Bank Service Charge               | 5.19     |

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\$1,221.68

Respectfully in  
F.C. and L.  
Richard Greenwalt  
Treasurer - Ohio Department

## Highway Officer report ;

Department of Ohio, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.  
Greetings;

Having been appointed Department G.A.R. Highway Officer  
by Department Commander Charles Corfman, The following is  
my report.

Four markers were located on U.S. Route 30, known as the  
Lincoln Highway.

One marker was located near Lancaster, Pa.

One was located in a rest area in Crawford County.

Another in Wayne County at the intersection of State Route  
57.

Another marker is on U.S. Route 6 at east 189th street in  
Cleveland, Ohio.

One marker is located in Chester, West Virginia.

The Highways have been widened and the markers have not been  
replaced. Bypasses have been built and are now four lane  
expressways, often miles from the original Highway where the  
markers had been originally.

Therefore, what was known as the Lincoln Highway is nearly  
in the past and I don't think that we can do anything about it.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Forest Altland, P.D.C.  
G.A.R. Highway Officer  
Ohio Department, Sons of Union  
Veterans

## Patriotic Instructor report;

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|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Vienna Camp No. 26                | \$25.00 |
| McLaughlin Camp No. 12            | 15.00   |
| Ralph Peiper P.D.C. Pa.           | 10.00   |
| Charles Corfman Dept. Commander   | 5.00    |
| Larry Swogger Sr. Vice Commander  | 5.00    |
| Ralph Shadel Jr. Vice Commander   | 5.00    |
| Richard Greenwalt Sec'y*Treas.    | 5.00    |
| Forest Altland P.D.C. G.A.R. Off. | 5.00    |
| Thomas Hoffman P.D.C.             | 5.00    |
| Roy Smith Dept. Chaplain          | 5.00    |
| Robert J. Wolz P.D.C.             | 5.00    |

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\$90.00

Dan McGuire  
Patriotic Instructor  
Ohio Department  
Sons of Union Veterans



Department Chief of Staff report;

Department Commander, Brothers;

Last June at the 99th Ohio Encampment, Charles Corfman Department Commander appointed me as your Department Chief-of-Staff, an honorary position. This was the first time that I have had a money making position on the Department level. Combined with the spiraling inflation and interest rates of the past year this left me with a challenging task. I enjoyed this past year, and I sincerely thank all of those who contributed to my fund.

The following is a list of contributions;

|                                 |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Vienna Camp No. 26              | \$25.00 |
| Larry Swogger Sr. Vice Comm.    | 5.00    |
| Marjourie Smith P.D.P.          | 2.00    |
| McLaughlin Camp No. 12          | 15.00   |
| Thomas Hoffman P.D.C.           | 5.00    |
| Ralph Shadel P.D.C.             | 5.00    |
| Robert J. Wolz P.D.C.           | 5.00    |
| "Frosty" Altland P.D.C.         | 5.00    |
| Richard Greenwalt P.D.C. P.C.C. | 5.00    |
| Charles Corfman Dept. Commander | 5.00    |
| Roy Smith Dept. Chaplain        | 5.00    |

Raffle

31.00

total \$113.00

George Shadel  
Chief-of-Staff  
Ohio Department  
Sons of Union Veterans  
of The Civil War

The following Resolutions were passed at the business session of the Department on June 27th, 1982.

## Amendment to Regulations

### Chapter III National Organization Article II Membership Section 4

ADD: Camps and Departments shall be exempted from paying National per capita tax on Life members.

### Chapter V General Regulations Article III Badges & Decorations Sec 4

ADD: At their option, Brothers may wear as a buttonhole decoration, a red, white and blue rosette. The rosette being " " in diameter. The central circular disk is divided into four segments more than half the area being devoted to opposed segments of blue alternating with white. The band is composed of alternating red and white.

### Chapter V General Regulations Article III Badges & Decorations Sec 1

At the end of the present section 1 restore the description of the regulation badge that was given in older editions of the C & R. Adda

The regulation badge shall be of bronze. On the face of the badge is a medallion with the monogram of the letters "S.U.V." and the inscription "Preserved by the Grace of God, MDCCCLXXXI". The inscription being between two concentric circles of the medallion, the inner circle inclosing the monogram and also rays radiating from the center behind the monogram. Surrounding the medallion is a wreath of laurel and the ends of two cannons which apparently cross at the back of the wreath and medallion, and the top of the medal is surmounted by an eagle. Upon the back of the badge is ~~the representation of a belt the ends buckled together which surrounds~~ medallion with the monogram of the letters "U.S.A." And the inscription "Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War". The inscription being between two concentric circles. The badge is suspended from a prescribed ribbon which is attached to a fastening pin with safety clasp consisting of a bar having a rim and bearing the inscription "Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War". The Regulation badge of the Order shall not be plated, gilded or changed in any manner except as noted in Section 5.

### ADD TO CHAPTER V Gen. Regulations Article III Badges & Decorations

Section 5 a. The Commander-in-Chief shall wear the authorized Commander-in-Chief's badge consisting of a gilt regulation badge with a gilt fastening bar bearing the inscription " Commander-in-Chief and suspended from the gold ribbon of the National Organization.

Section 5 b. Departments may use an authorized Department Commanders Badge for their sitting commander. This badge shall consist of the Regulation badge with the addition of two suspended bars reading "Department Commander". The regulation Department ribbon being used.

Section 5 c. (the current section 5 pertaining to 50 year membership badges).

Section 5 d. Life Member's badges. Those Brothers who have obtained Life membership shall have attached to their badge a gilt bar reading " Life member".

Restore to Chapter V Gen Regulations Article III Badges & Decorations Section 8 Coat of Arms: The Coat of Arms of the Order shall be as follows:

Shield- The field is white; two sabres crossed, points up, in proper colors, ensigned by a wreath of laurels, green; on a chief azure (Heraldic blue cobalt); the rising sun, gold; in the disc the monogram "S.U.V." in vermillon,

on the white field arrange thirteen stars of five points, as in cut in vermillon.  
Supporters- On the right a soldier, in fatigue uniform, (without arms) of 1861-65, viz: dark blue blouse, light blue trousers, zouave cap, cross and waist belts of brown leather, on the buckle the letters "U.S.". On the left a sailor in navy blue shirt and trousers, black silk necktie and regulation cap/  
Crest - An eagle (American) on rocks, in proper colors.  
XXX The scrolls containing the mottos are white, shaded at the end with crimson lake; letters black; the ornaments bordering the shield, and under the same, of gold; the flags, naval and military, with cannon and muskets, all in their proper places and colors.

We the members of the Ohio Department assembled celebrating our 100th anniversary encampment and looking forward to our second hundred years urge passage of the following amendments to strengthen our national regulations.

First. Exempting Camps and Departments from paying National per Capita Tax on Life Members. The National Organization has received a large cash payment from our Brothers which if wisely invested should yield \$12.00 to \$14.00 at the present rate of interest. The Council of Administration has voted to pay only \$6.00 to the Camp for the current year and charge the Camp and Department \$4.00 per year for this same members National per capita tax. The remaining two dollars is not sufficient for the Camp and Department. We believe many Camps and Departments are discouraging new Life Membership applications for this reason. Therefore, we urge the National Organization to continue to pay a sum fixed by Council of Administration to the local Camps and Departments but to exempt these same members from paying the National per capita tax.

Second. since the National Organization is finally going to update and reprint our Constitution and Regulations it is very important that official descriptions contained in all earlier C & R be returned. Several badges and decorations have been made available through National Headquarters with the consent of the Council of Administration, but lack authorization in General Regulations. These additions to the new C & R add legality to their existence as well as serve as guidelines to our membership. It is advised that after publication all Sons of Union Veterans rituals, Constitutions and Regulations be copyrighted by the National Secretary or the Commander-in-Chief in the name of the National Organization as several "fake" representations of our badges have been offered for sale to Civil War buffs and collectors.

We urge immediate attention to our amendments to help resolve both these problems facing the membership of our Order.

OHIO DEPARTMENT

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR HERE ASSEMBLED FOR OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Whereas--Brother Richard C. Schlenker of Rockville, Md. member of Lincoln-Cushing Camp No.2, Washington, D.C. has faithfully and continually demonstrated his adherence to the principles of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty as espoused by our order thru his service to:

(1)

Lincoln-Cushing Camp No.2 in Washington, D.C. as Aide-de-Camp; Vice Commander; Member -of-Council; Delegate to Department and National Encampments; recruiter of twelve new members in 1980.

(2)

Maryland Department as Patriotic Instructor; Junior and Senior Vice Commander; Commander; Member -of-Council; Delegate to National Encampment.

(3)

National Organization as National Chaplain; Jr. Vice Commander and Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief; Memorial Day Restoration Committee; many floor and committee assignments including Council-of-Administration.

Richard's leadership experience in church, community, scouting, veterans groups, historical and genealogical societies and five other hereditary organizations would be valuable to our organization.

His wife, Dorris, has been endorsed for National President of the Auxiliary it is hoped for a husband-wife team to head our organizations next year.

Several Departments other than his own are planning to support him with "Resolutions of Endorsement" when they hold their annual encampments.

At the 101st National Encampment in Providence, R.I. he will be nominated for Commander-in-Chief.

Now, therefore be it moved that the Ohio Department Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War endorses and places in nomination--

Brother Richard C. Schlenker of Rockville, Maryland for the office of Commander-in-Chief for 1982-1983.

26 June 1982

Resolution

Be it so resolved that the Ohio Department set aside a mid winter meeting day during late February or March. Such meeting can serve as a special meeting of the Ohio Department Officers.

Respectfully submit in F.C. &L.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. R. Bury".

G. R. Bury P.D.C.



26 June 1982

G.A.R. Highway Sign Restoration Committee Report

To the Ohio Department Commander, Officers and assembled delegates.

The G.A.R. Highway Restoration Sign Committee reports that it has made numerous repeated requests to the Ohio Department of Transportation to acquire sign materials for restoring the highway markers to their rightful place as under U.S. and state statute. Having only negative replies from the O.D.O.T. along with the Ohio Legislature giving only token verbal support, it was the feeling of the committee that commercial acquisition be investigated.

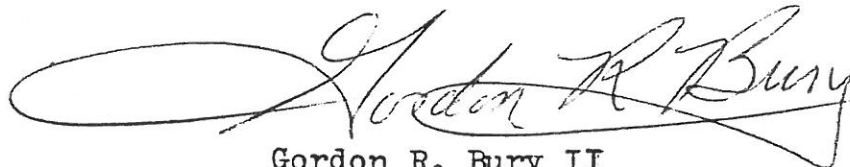
Price quotes for aluminum markers of original specifications were requested of several corporations engaged in historical marker manufacturing. Prices were not available in small consignments of less than 24 markers. In discussion with a representative of the firm which does most of the manufacturing of markers and signs for the National Park Service, it was indicated that if we could acquire enough response by other departments along US Route 6 known as the G.A.R. Highway and order a minimum of 50 markers the price could be held to approximately \$20-25.00.

It is hereby recommended that the incoming Ohio Department G.A.R. Highway Officer contact within 10 days all Department G.A.R. Highway Officers in those states which encompass US Route 6 to offer joint participation in restoration of the markers which is the obligation of our order as Sons of Union Veterans as a memorial tribute to our forefathers who strove to preserve our Union.

It is further recommended that a copy of this report be sent upon conclusion of this Encampment to the National G.A.R. Highway Officer and another to the National Sec./Treas. with the Resolution as follows:

Be it resolved that in order to restore the rightful and legal tribute to our forefathers, who fought to preserve the Union that all G.A.R. Highway Officers of those Departments which encompass US Route 6 which is known as the G.A.R. Highway, under the supervision of the National G.A.R. Highway Officer investigate in their respective departments the willingness to participate in jointly having regulation markers produced at a reduced cost by volume so that the G.A.R. Highway can be appropriately marked and that each Department G.A.R. Highway Officer report to the National G.A.R. Highway Officer the respective Departments' willingness to commit themselves to restore the G.A.R. Highway markers which is the duty and obligation of our order as Sons of Union Veterans, to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Respectfully submitted in F.C. & L.



Gordon R. Bury II  
Ohio Department G.A.R. Highway Marker  
Restoration Committee Chairman

COMMUNICATIONS:

An acknowledgement from the family of Robert C. Wolz, for the basket of flowers sent at the time of the death of P.D.C. Robert C. Wolz.

A note from Brother Martin A. Dudek regarding the property of Lookout Camp.

A letter from James Davis of Philip Triem Camp of Salem informing us that he is the new Secretary-Treasurer.

A letter from the Massachusetts Department inviting us to the National Encampment to be held in Providence, Rhode Island at the Biltmore Plaza Hotel, August 15 - 19, 1982 and included an interesting flyer regarding the trip on Thursday to Plymouth at a cost of \$7.00.

Endorsement for Brother Richard C. Schlenker for Commander-in-Chief from Lincoln Cushing Camp No. 2 of Washington, D.C.

Endorsement for William Simpson for Commander-in-Chief from the Department of Pennsylvania.

Two communications from Past Department Commander, W. Gordon Ryan of Portsmouth, Ohio. One of which contained many interesting facts about his service to the order and the Grand Army of the Republic. He thanked the Department for purchasing for him, his 50 year badge. He is our oldest Past Department Commander in years of service having served in 1938. His second communication included a check in the amount of \$50.00 for 1982 Encampment expenses.

A communication from Jerry Orton, National Historian, urging assistance in the performance of his duties.

Secretary Greenwalt reported that he had recently talked with P.D.C. Dorsey and P.D.C. Shefelton, and commented on their physical conditions.

ACTION TAKEN AT THE DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT:

1. The sum of \$25.00 to be contributed to the National Patriotic Instructor's fund.
2. The sum of \$25.00 is to be contributed to the Christmas funds for the Homes at Sandusky and Xenia.
3. The Department is to pay the Encampment expense of any Past Department Commander serving the Organization for the second time as long as we continue to hold Department Encampment at Mt. Union College.
4. The feasibility committee appointed at last years Encampment continue as the Encampment committee which will be held in Ohio in 1984.
5. Incoming Department Commander is to appoint a committee to place a wreath commemorating the Confederate Dead at the cemetery on Johnson's Island on or near Confederate Memorial Day.
6. To make Ralph, the seeing eye dog of P.D.C. Thomas E. Hoffman who was in attendance at all of our meetings as a Honorary member of the Ohio Department.
7. Ralph Shadel authorized to sign the bank card for Governor Dennison Camp No. 1, due to the physical condition of the camp's Secretary-Treasurer, Thomas Hoffman.
8. P.D.C. Gordon R. Bury II presented a check in the amount of \$15.50 to pay up the per capita indebtedness of U.S. Grant Camp.

The Audit Committee gave the following report prior to the nomination and election of Officers.

The receipts of the Department Secretary-Treasurer were examined by the audit committee using a regular accepted system. Add tapes were taken of the check book and bank statements. All figures are in balance and the Secretary-Treasurer is to be commended for a job well done.

The following Officers were elected to serve the Ohio Department for 1982 -1983.

|                             |     |                                                                                         |
|-----------------------------|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Department Commander        | --- | Larry K. Swogger<br>205 Pershing N.E.<br>North Canton, Ohio 44720<br>phone 216-499-4056 |
| Senior Vice Commander       | --- | Ralph Shadel<br>186 Essex Road<br>Lexington, Ohio<br>phone 419-884-2489                 |
| Junior Vice Commander       | --- | Forest Altland<br>972 Washington St.<br>Wooster, Ohio 44691<br>phone 264-8786           |
| Department Council - 3 year | --- | Charles Corfman<br>RD 1 Box 65<br>Holmesville, Ohio 44633                               |
| - 2 year                    | --- | Roy Smith<br>1295 Edgewood Ave. N.E.<br>Warren, Ohio 44485                              |
| - 1 year                    | --- | Thomas Graham<br>11737 Jefferson<br>Apt. 5 A<br>Newport News, Va. 23606                 |
| Secretary-Treasurer         | --- | Richard Greenwalt<br>616 West Summit<br>Alliance, Ohio 44601<br>Phone 216-823-6919      |

The following Officers were appointed to serve the Ohio Department for 1982 - 1983 ;

|                               |     |                           |
|-------------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| Assistant Secretary-Treasurer | --- | Ralph Shadel              |
| Chief of Staff                | --- | Gordon R. Bury II         |
| Patriotic Instructor          | --- | Dan Mc Guire              |
| Guide                         | --- | Charles Corfman           |
| Chaplain                      | --- | Ralph L. Swogger          |
| Counselor                     | --- | Robert J. Wolz            |
| Guard                         | --- | Thomas Hoffman            |
| Color Guard                   | --- | Roy Smith                 |
| Personal Aide                 | --- | Ralph L. Swogger          |
| Encampment Organizer          | --- | Richard Greenwalt         |
| Encampment Committee          | --- | Larry K. Swogger          |
|                               |     | Ralph L. Swogger          |
|                               |     | Ralph Shadel              |
|                               |     | Roy Smith                 |
|                               |     | Ned Bennett               |
| G.A.R. Highway Officer        | --- | Forest Altland            |
| National Encampment Committee | --- | Charles Corfman, Chairman |
|                               |     | Gordon R. Bury II         |
|                               |     | Robert J. Wolz            |

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| Highway Sign Committee | --- | Forest Altland<br>Dan McGuire<br>Wilbur Haueter |
| S.U.V. Grave Markers   | --- | Robert J. Wolz<br>Roy Smith                     |
| Buffington Island      | --- | Forest Altland                                  |
| Johnson Island         | --- | Charles Corfman<br>Thomas Hoffman               |
| Department Publicity   | --- | Larry K. Swogger<br>Gordon R. Bury II           |

The Officers were installed by P.C.C. Richard Greenwalt with Commander-in-Chief Harry Gibbons, of Buffalo, N.Y. serving as Secretary, P.D.C. Ralph Peiper, of Pennsylvania Department serving as Chaplain, and Gordon R. Bury II, serving as Guide.

Charles Corfman was presented his Past Commander's Badge by the incoming Commander Larry K. Swogger.

Commander Larry K. Swogger was presented his Department Commander's Badge by his father Ralph L. Swogger.

Commander-in-Chief Gibbons 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 attend the 101th National Encampment in Providence, Rhode Island.

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 James Lackey, who spoke on the topic "Its June Do You Know Where Your Children Are". Special music was rendered by William Stirling with a program of Irish music. The evening was concluded with a reception honoring our Department Heads.

The joint memorial was held Sunday morning, during which the following deaths were memorialized.

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| P.D.C. Robert C. Wolz | from Philip Triem Camp No. 50 |
| John Stahl            | from McClellan Camp No. 91    |
| Harry Scott           | from McLaughlin Camp No. 12   |

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

