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Department Commander

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1. With the loss of another Brother of the Order, I must again request that all Camp Charters and the department Charter be draped in black for another period of thirty days, due to the death of Brother Lt. Col. Matt Urban. He was an Honorary member of Curtenius Guard Camp No. 17 in Lansing/Sunfield. Brother Urban passed away on March 4, 1995 at the age of 75. This was due to a collapsed lung, while he was at Holland Hospital. He served in the Army in World War II and was decorated with his country's highest honor, the Congressional Medal of Honor. He received it from President Carter in 1980. Brother Urban had 29 decorations for bravery and surpassed Audie Murphy as America's most decorated veteran of all time. The Germans nicknamed him "The Ghost" as he was shot 7 times and wouldn't go down and kept on fighting. Many of you will recall that Brother Urban spoke at the Banquet of the Allied Orders at the National Encampment in Lansing in 1988. Our deepest condolences go out to the family of Brother Urban.

2. Brother Bill Lentz, Commander of Nash-Hodges Camp No. 43 in Blissfield, has been feeling a little under the weather lately. We wish him well and a speedy recovery. Brother Lentz informs us that he is doing much better and we thank the Almighty for that.

3. Here's the status on the Department recruiting tent. After the Mid-Winter Conference, I checked with Brother Kent Armstrong, President of the 24th Michigan Volunteer Infantry reenactors on the chances of buying one of their wall tents (which we have borrowed from the 24th for the past two years) for Department recruiting. Kent informed me that they have a wall tent and fly available and the cost to us will be \$150.00. This price includes the poles, ropes and stakes. I have contacted Department Secretary/Treasurer Dick Williams and have authorized him to write a check to cover the purchase. On behalf of the Department, I wish to thank the 24th for their generosity.

4. On March 18 and 19, 1995 the Kalamazoo Antique Arms Show took place. Gen. Pritchard Camp No. 20 had a recruiting table there both days. It was nice to see Brothers from other Camps in the Michigan Department there too, as they came over to pay a visit to the recruiting table. We have member prospects for many Camp areas in Michigan, as well as in the Indiana Department. The list of names will be passed on from Bill Costello, JVC of Gen. Pritchard Camp No. 20 to the Michigan Department JVC Don Workman. The evening saw a dinner/dance that was attended by reenactors, SUV, DUV, WRC, buckskinners and antique dealers as well as members of the Kalamazoo Civil War Roundtable. It will be an annual event, due to the fact that it was very successful and everyone enjoyed the fellowship of one another.

5. The 1st Annual Civil War Film Festival/Trade Show that was held at the National Armory in Wyoming, Michigan on West 44th Street was very well enjoyed by those that attended. Reenactors of different units of both the Blue and the Gray recruited for members. The 3rd Michigan Infantry hosted the event that saw period music provided by the 7th Michigan Fife and Drum Corps. Sutlers also attended. Movies played throughout the day. Gen. John A. Logan Camp No. 1 of Grand Rapids and Henry E. Plant Camp No. 3 of Fruitport collaborated on a recruiting table to build up the ranks of their respective Camps. It was also another great way for two Camps that are very new to the Order to get acquainted with each other.

6. Commander Richard F. Lee of Gilluly-Kingsley Camp No. 120 in Howell informs me that his Camp, along with the George W. Lee Civil War Roundtable of Howell, is planning a centennial dedication of a Civil War Monument in Lakeview Cemetery. Both organizations as stated above, will co-sponsor the event. Brother Lee also says that the 5th Michigan Regimental Band has been asked to perform and the Camp Guard of Gov. Crapo Camp has also been invited. A picnic in the park next to the cemetery is planned to take place following the ceremony. The date for this is planned for Saturday, May 27th in Howell. The time is yet to be set, but I do know it will be in morning, though the Camp is awaiting a few developments. You can reach Brother Lee at 1111 Kern Road, Fowlerville, MI 48836 or telephone him at (517) 223-9497. This new Camp could really use our support.

7. Gen. John A. Logan Camp No. 1 has decided to go with its Remembrance Day Ceremony on Saturday, April 29, 1995 at the Soldiers Home in Grand Rapids. They have replaced 100 headstones that were in very poor condition. The date of April 29 was chosen so that Brothers that hold Memorial Day services in their respective Camps or cities would be able to attend. This is similar to what we did there last year when different reenactment units attended. Registration will start at 10:00 am with the program getting underway at 12:00 noon in front of the Soldiers Home. From there units will march to the back of the outdoor theater for the addresses and then commence to the bridge into the cemetery. All Camps, Brothers and Civil War reenacting units are encouraged to attend as we did last year. If you have any questions, you may contact Scott Twietmeyer, Camp Commander of Gen. Logan Camp, at 1534 Cornell, Grand Rapids, MI 49506 or telephone him at (616) 245-5715.

8. Gen. Benjamin Pritchard Camp No. 20 will have its dedication to Col. Benjamin F. Orcutt who served in the 25th Michigan Infantry during the Civil War, on Saturday May 20, 1995 at Mount Home Cemetery in Kalamazoo. *(continued next page)*

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Department Orders

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As I had mentioned before in the last issue of the Messenger, the Grand Army of the Republic Post No. 79 in Kalamazoo was named after him. He died in 1867 at the age of 52, of a gunshot wound, while trying to apprehend an escaped prisoner. He was serving as Sheriff of the City of Kalamazoo at the time. His soldiers headstone dedication is being billed as a large ceremony, with family members from Ann Arbor and as far away as California attending, along with the news media and the City Council. All of this will take place at 1:00 pm at the Mount Home Cemetery on West Main Street (M-43) in Kalamazoo. If you have any questions you may contact Brother Hugh Williams, Chairman, at 424 Campbell Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49006 or telephone him at (616) 382-5184. Or Steve Redinger, Commander of Gen. Pritchard Camp at 48540 Orchard Drive, Mattawan, MI 49071 or telephone him at (616) 668-3966. All Camps and Brothers are encouraged to attend.

9. On Saturday, May 13, 1995 at about 4:00 pm, Gen. Pritchard Camp will journey over to Battle Creek for SUVCW Memorial grave side services for a good friend and Brother, Phil Johnston, who passed away on October 15, 1994. He was serving as Camp Secretary at the time. The cemetery is the Catholic Cemetery that is located just off Helmer Road if you are coming off I-94. If you have any questions, you may contact Commander Redinger or myself, as all are welcome to attend. Many of you knew Brother Phil from reenactments as he was involved with medical portrayals as a hospital steward that took care of the sick and wounded. He will be greatly missed by all who had the honor to know him.

10. You may want to bring some extra money with you to the Department Encampment, especially if you were not able to attend the Mid-Winter Conference where many Brothers purchased SUV supplies. Our new SUV hat garland wreaths sell for \$18.00 each. The Michigan Cap marks (7th Corps crescent moon and star) sell for \$15.00. The Blazer Insignia is obtainable for \$20.00 and the Coat of Arms sells for \$30.00. All of these items may be obtained from Department Secretary/Treasurer Dick Williams. Brother Williams will have a supply again to meet your needs.

11. I would like to thank the Department Officers who met with Camp Officers to help provide training ideas, successes, strong points and weak points at the Department Mid-Winter Conference in February. This will provide the Camp Officers with a better understanding of their duties. It turned out to be a very productive day that was enjoyed by all who attended. Also, many Brothers got to get acquainted with each other for the first time. The fellowship was great among the Camps and formed a strong unity for the Good of the Order.

12. The evening of the Mid-Winter Conference was celebrated with the annual Washington-Lincoln Dinner which was held at the Mid Way Motor Lodge with the Society of the Sons of the Revolution. Brother Max Riekse, Commander of Henry E. Plant Camp No. 3, Fruitport, was the after dinner speaker. His slide presentation on the Revolution was very informative. It was nice to see two different Patriotic Organizations get together like this.

13. As we close in on Memorial Day, May 30, 1995, let us pause also to remember the Brothers that we lost in the Order over the past year. I shall list them here in order of their passing:

John Campbell, Gov. Crapo Camp No. 145 — July 16, 1994.
Phil Johnston, Gen. Pritchard Camp No. 20 — October 15, 1994.
Dudley Pritchard, Gen. Pritchard Camp No. 20 — October 18, 1994.
John LaRue, Robert Finch Camp No. 14 — November 25, 1994.
Matt Urban, Curtenius Guard Camp No. 17 — March 4, 1995.
They may be gone, but believe me, they won't be forgotten.

14. On Monday, May 29, 1995 Gen. Benjamin Pritchard Camp will march in the annual Allegan Memorial Day Parade at 10:00 am from downtown at the GAR Soldiers Monument on Hubbard Street up to Oakwood Cemetery. After the regular services, the Camp will meet at the Pritchard family plot to honor Gen. Pritchard, along with memorial graveside services for Brother Dudley Pritchard via the Camp Ritual. Brother Dudley would have been 97 had he live two more days. He was the grandson of General Pritchard, who captured Confederate General Jefferson Davis. All Brothers are welcome to attend.

15. Curtenius Guard Camp No. 17 in Sunfield has nearly completed its 5 year project on restoration of the old Samuel W. Grinnell GAR Post No. 283. It was built by the veterans of the Post in 1899 and they used it until 1934. Since that time the DUV and the SUV have kept it in continuous use. If you've never been there, I urge you to try to get over and see this beautiful old relic of the past. Many Civil War and GAR items can be seen when you visit. The restoration project is 80% completed as stated by Restoration Chairman J. Douglas Park. The Camp would like to remark the names of the Post veterans that are on the Civil War cannon foundations outside the hall, as they are getting harder to read with each passing year. Any suggestions on how to go about this would be greatly appreciated by the Camp. Hey guys, I think this calls for an open house party! You have a lot of history there, that in which you can be proud of!

16. The 106th Annual Encampment of the Department of Michigan of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will take place at the Holiday Inn in Lansing. The date will be Saturday, June 10, 1995, with registration for delegates starting at 8:00 am followed by the Department Encampment getting underway at 9:30 am. The address is 7501 West Saginaw Highway (M-43), 1 block East of I-96.

17. With this being my last Department Orders, I'd like to thank all of my Brothers of the Michigan Department for the support and help you gave me this past year. It really means a lot, as we worked together for the Good of the Order. Gentlemen, thank you for your trust in me as the Department Commander for 1994-1995.

By order of,

William A. Brennan
Department Commander

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Secretary's Report

The National Quartermaster Elmer Atkinson informs us:

- 1) Prices on most of the badges increased this year.
- 2) Junior Membership Badges are available for \$17.00 each if ordered with other supplies or add \$3.00 if not ordered with other supplies. An order form is found on page 10 of the January 1995 issue of the Banner. Write in on the form "Junior Membership Badge" if you want to order one.
- 3) A limited number of National Encampment Proceedings for the years 1965, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1983, 1986 and 1987.
- 4) Reproduction of the original Sons of Veterans Badge of Philadelphia Camps made from the original dies are available for purchase. Ribbon is red, white and blue. The medal is bronze. The actual size is 3". Price is \$17.00 by mail (includes shipping).
- 5) A miniature reproduction of the GAR Membership Badge (medal lapel pin) is in original colors. Actual overall size is 1 1/8 inches. Price is \$20.00 by mail (includes shipping).
- 6) Also, there is a Son's decal, fourth from the bottom on the order form. It is a decal of the insignia that can be placed on a window of your vehicle. Specify inside or reflective. Consider ordering a quantity through the Camp Secretary/Treasurer that way you can save on the shipping and handling cost.

From the National Senior Vice Commander-in Chief, Dave Medert:

The Senior Vice Commander-in-Chief's fund is in desperate need of financial support. The fund was established for the promotion of the Order. The total costs for advertising in various history oriented magazines will run about \$3,500.00. So far \$177.00 has been received through donations to the funds. Make all checks payable to the National Organization SUVCW and send the check to 16 Shawnee Dr., Chillicothe, OH 45601-1148.

Supplies available from the Department (order from the Department of Michigan SUVCW Treasurer):

- 1) Insignias for coat pockets: \$20 each; The Camp's can make \$2.00 on each insignia by placing an order through the Camp Treasurer and writing a check from the Camp to the Department of Michigan SUVCW for \$18.00 each. Each individual must pay \$20.00 each, but by having the Camp order the emblem for \$18.00 each, the Camp treasury keeps \$2.00 for each insignia ordered.
- 2) Coat of Arms: for coat pockets; \$30 each; The Camp can make \$3.00 on each coat of Arms by placing an order through the Camp Treasurer and writing a check from the Camp to the Department of Michigan SUVCW for \$27.00 each. Each individual must pay \$30.00 each, but by having the Camp order the emblem for \$27.00 each, the Camp treasury keeps \$3.00 for each Coat of Arms ordered.
- 3) A plastic holder that fits over the coat pocket is an additional \$5.00 for either the insignia or Coat of Arms.
- 4) 7th Corp. cap mark: for the top of a kepi; \$15 each; The Camp can make \$1.00 on each insignia by placing an order through the Camp Treasurer and writing a check from the Camp to the Department of Michigan SUVCW for \$14.00 each. Each individual must pay \$15.00 each, but by having the Camp order the emblem for \$14.00 each, the Camp treasury keeps \$1.00 for each insignia ordered.
- 5) SUV hat badge: gold color medal to be worn in front of a

kepi; \$20 each. Camps do not make money on this item and the Department is only covering costs. The supplier is charging us \$2 more for each had badge, so the price is reflecting that cost increase.

For Camp Secretaries:

Review the items you need to order in preparation for the Department encampment. You can find those items mentioned in the red folders you received earlier this year.

Camp Memberships:

Gen. John A Logan Camp No. 1	9
Henry E Plant Camp No. 3	14
Austin Blair Camp No. 7	36
George Howe Camp No. 9	1
Robert Finch Camp No. 14	9
Curtenius Guard Camp No. 17	57
Benjamin Pritchard Camp No. 20	29
Colegrove-Woodruff Camp No. 22	30
Alexander French Camp No. 28	11
Nash-Hodges Camp No. 43	16
WA-BU-NO Camp No. 53	22
Gen. Phil Kearney Camp No. 67	10
U. S. Grant Camp No. 101	23
Gilluly-Kingsley Camp No. 120	8
Governor Crapo Camp No. 145	45
Russell A Alger Camp No. 462	6
Total Memberships Michigan Department	326

The Department has 14 life members and 3 real sons. These figures are as of the end of the first quarter, 1995.

Department Tent:

The 24th Michigan has offered the sale of an officer's tent and fly to Department of Michigan for \$150. The tent will be used at reenactments and other events for the purpose of recruiting. The 24th Michigan has let us borrow the same tent on other occasions for the purpose of recruiting new members. That is a very gracious offer by the 24th Michigan that we accepted.

Do you remember at the 1994 Department Encampment (and published in Department orders by the Department Commander) that Austin Blair Camp No. 7 from Jackson donated \$80.00 toward the purchase of a Department recruiting tent? The time and opportunity for the tent has arrived and we made the decision quickly to accept the 24th Michigan's offer.

We now need the help from the other Camps to offset the balance due for the purchase of the tent (\$150 - \$80 = \$70). This is an excellent tent to purchase and your donations to the "tent fund" is requested. Please make any checks payable to the "Department of Michigan, SUVCW" and send them to:

Richard Williams
Department Treasurer
1917 Teel Avenue
Lansing, MI 48910-3117

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

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Commander's Corner

Dear Brothers,

Curtenius Guard Camp No. 17 in Lansing/Sunfield, along with the Michigan Department's support, is getting plans underway to name the stretch of highway M-99 that runs South out of Lansing, the General John A. Logan Memorial Highway. As you recall, Logan Street (M-99) in Lansing was renamed Dr. Martin Luther King Boulevard. It is unfortunate that the Father of Decoration Day, that is know to us today as Memorial Day, is no longer remembered as he was by this Lansing street. So with this in mind, I believe that we need to restore the honor that has been stripped of this great former GAR National Commander-in-Chief. This is similar to what we did with the 24th Michigan Infantry and Iron Brigade on US-12 through Michigan, now known as the Iron Brigade Memorial Highway. General Logan did so much to help the Civil War veterans and their families. You know as well as I do, that we should remember this great veteran of our Wolverine State. If those ole boys who wore the Union Blue were here today, they would say, Bring Back Black Jack! This project is just getting underway and needs our support. It's another way to carry on the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic. We must remember that is why we as Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War are here today!

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

William A. Brennan
Department Commander

Department Council News

The Department Council met on 18 February 1995 following the Mid-Winter Conference. Present were council members Mann and Hodges. Parker excused. Also in attendance were the following Department officers: Commander Brennan, SVC Wallace, JVC Workman, Sec./Treas. Williams, PDC Park and PDC Gibson. These officers were invited to attend to act as advisors to the council. C-in-C Harrison was also invited to attend. Three items were discussed:

1. The redemption of unused GAR cemetery lots in Oakhurst Cemetery, City of Whitehall, Muskegon County, Michigan at \$15.00 each. It was the decision of the advisors and the council to redeem these lots.

2. The partial funding of a marker at the Eastern end of US-12 in Detroit honoring the Iron Brigade and the 24th Michigan Infantry, to be erected by the 24th Michigan reenactors. Following several minutes of discussion, it was decided to commit \$600.00 to the funding of the marker.

3. The proposed Department fund raising raffle. Several minutes of discussion were also devoted to this topic. After much discussion, both pro and con, a poll was taken of the advisors and the council based their decision on this vote. The raffle was deemed unnecessary at this time and will not be held this year as it was decided the Department currently has sufficient funds in its Treasury.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

John Mann, Chairman
Michigan Department Council

Treasurer's Report

Department funds:

Michigan Department SUVCW Balance Sheet
As of 3/31/95

SONS-All Accounts	Acct	Balance
ASSETS		
Cash and Bank Accounts		
	Checking Account	\$624.63
	Dept. Mich. SUVCW	0.00
	R. A. Alger Headstone Account	505.77
	Savings Account	3,928.68
Total Cash and Bank Accounts		\$5,059.08
TOTAL ASSETS		\$5,059.08
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
LIABILITIES		
	R. A. Alger Camp-at-Large	\$58.25
	Sons Vet. Reserve	60.00
Total Liabilities		\$118.25
EQUITY		\$4,940.83
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY		\$5,059.08

Part of the above funds (\$600.00) is being held toward an Iron Brigade Highway marker.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Richard Williams
Department Treasurer

Proper Display of the Flag

- Display the Flag from sunrise to sunset on buildings and flag-staffs and at night only if properly lighted.
- The Flag should be raised and lowered by hand and never raised furled.
- Always hoist the Flag briskly and lower it ceremoniously.
- The Flag may be displayed on any day, but especially on National Holidays.
- On Memorial Day, the Flag should be hung at half-staff until noon and then raised to its peak.
- When carried, the Flag should be held aloft, never flat or horizontal.
- The Flag should never be allowed to touch the ground or floor, nor brush against objects, nor be used as drapery of any sorts.

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Camp News

Camp No. 3 — Henry E. Plant

Fruitport — As I write this (March 8th), we now have 14 members and several good prospects. I therefore expect our Camp to have 15 or more members and our permanent charter by the end of the year.

We have four regularly scheduled meetings a year plus a Memorial Day service. A Memorial Day service will be held in May, as last year, at the grave site of Sergeant Henry E. Plant in the Nunica Cemetery in Crockery Township, Ottawa County, Michigan. All Brother SUVCW members are welcome to attend, along with Daughters and other good patriots.

Henry E. Plant enrolled at Crockery, MI as a private in Company F, 14th Michigan Infantry on December 5, 1861. He made Corporal April 10, 1863. Re-enlisted January 4, 1864. He mustered out on July 15, 1865. Sergeant Plant resided in Nunica, where he died on April 16, 1925. He was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor by the United States War Department on April 27, 1896 for actions at Bentonville, N. C. on the 19th of March, 1865. Then Corporal Henry E. Plant of Company F, 14th Michigan Infantry "rushed into the midst of the enemy and rescued the colors, the bearer having fallen mortally wounded."

Our Camp's number represents the 3rd Michigan Volunteer Infantry Regiment which came from Western Michigan, with men coming from such places as Coopersville, Lamont, Muskegon and Grand Rapids. The 3rd Michigan was at the first battle of the American Civil War: 1st Manassas or First Bull Run, along with Gettysburg and many other Civil War battles. Several men who enlisted with the 3rd Michigan won the Medal of Honor.

At last years Memorial Day service, several of Sergeant Plant's relatives attended. They also brought with them Sergeant Plant's original Civil War Medal of Honor which had his name and rank engraved on the back. It had been misplaced for many years and was just recently found by the family. A very timely find. One of our members, Chuck Harthy, secured a bronze U. S. Government marker for Sergeant Plant and it was dedicated Memorial Day.

Our Camp dues are \$16.00 a year with a \$25.00 initiation fee. Our current fund raising project is saving towards a Camp flag.

Max J. Rieske

Camp No. 7 — Gov. Austin Blair

Jackson — At our March meeting, the Camp initiated three new members into the Order. Michael Maillard of Somerset was inducted as an Associate while he is researching his ancestry to become a Member. State Senator Phil Hoffman and his son Jacob were inducted as Members, based upon their direct bloodline from Lewis H. Van Antwerp, Company I, 1st Michigan Cavalry.

Camp Historian Jack Patch gave a report on the start of a long term project. This will be the gathering of information on

all 768 members of the Edward Pomeroy GAR Post 48 of Jackson. The information will include their birth and death dates, where they are buried, any information obtainable on their GAR membership history and their statistics as Civil War Veterans.

The Camp voted to acquire State of Michigan and Camp flags and the necessary equipment for display and parade use. The flags should be in our possession by and will be put to good use in the Jackson and Spring Arbor Memorial Day Parades.

John Mann

Camp No. 9 — George W. Howe

Port Huron — Camp No. 9 is in the process of rebuilding its membership and becoming active Camp again. The Camp Commander has been in contact with some individuals who have expressed an interest in the Order and may be willing to join.

Should any Brother know of anyone in the greater Port Huron area who you think might be interested in joining, please forward their name, address and, if possible, their phone number to me. My address is: Jack Lavis, P. O. Box 302, Marysville, Michigan 48040. My phone number is: (810) 364-9691.

Jack Lavis

Camp No. 17 — Curtenius Guard

Lansing/Sunfield — Commander James Neal presented the Samuel W. Grinnel Award for this year to Brother LaVern Aves for outstanding and tireless work on the restoration of the Sunfield GAR Hall. Accolades and special thanks go to LaVern for his many, many trips to Sunfield and for his liaison between contractors and the DUVCW.

\$5000.00 was donated from the estate of DUVCW PNP Gail Seitz to allow restoration work to go on at the GAR Hall. The money will be put to use fixing up the cannon foundations, back steps and exterior painting.

The Camp is working on getting highway M-99 in Eaton County designated as the General John A. Logan Memorial Highway. M-99 within the City of Lansing was named Logan Street in honor of the General, but recently was renamed Martin Luther King Blvd. in spite of protests from the citizenry, including members of the SUVCW. State Representative Alan Cropsey has been contacted on the matter and has been most helpful. Should Eaton County act upon this proposal, other counties will be contacted as to honoring General Logan on their stretches of highway M-99.

Camp 17 instituted a Civil War Quiz at its March meeting. It was the idea of Brother Vaughn Rawson and all involved had a great time and the competition was vigorous amongst the three teams competing. C-in-C Harrison's team beat out a team headed by Bill Brennan, DC and another headed by Brother Paul Hodges.

James Neal

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Camp No. 28 — Alexander French

Big Rapids – Camp No. 28 is off to an excellent start. At the second general membership meeting held March 14, the Camp was presented with a new Altar, made by Chaplain David Waldron.

The Camp was also presented with a new 4' x 6' U. S. Flag that had flown over the Nation's Capitol on February 7, 1995. The new U. S. Flag is courtesy of the office of Congressman Dave Camp. It came with a certificate stating the dates of the flag's history.

The new flag, along with the Altar, Altar Cloth, Camp Banner, Station Banners, State of Michigan Flag and Initiation Flags were presented to Camp No. 28 by Senior Vice Commander John Walker. SVC Walker's wife, Bobbie, was the seamstress for much of the work done on the Camp's Banners and Altar Cloth.

Also, Alexander French Camp may have a first, as we now have name tags for the Camp's officers and membership and for anyone who may visit the Big Rapids Camp. The name tags are a gift from SVC Walker to the Camp.

The Camp will be hosting a recruiting effort at the Big Rapids Civil War Days, scheduled for May 20th and 21st. The event will have quick shoot contests and skirmishes, artillery and field hospital demonstrations, a church service and fashion show. Also planned is an evening of Civil War era music with dancing and a pancake breakfast.

The members of the Camp voted to add their names to the petition of the "Citizens Flag Alliance". This petition is for the adoption of a Constitutional Amendment prohibiting the physical desecration of the United States Flag.

As of April 5, 1995, Kenny Acton has had to step down from his position of Camp Commander. Command of the Camp has been passed on to Senior Vice Commander John Walker.

John Walker

Camp No. 120 — Gilluly-Kingsley

Howell – Camp No. 120 has started a newsletter with our first issue being published in March. We are also in the process of drafting our bylaws.

Our March meeting saw the initiation of two new Brothers into the Order. James Appleton was initiated as a Member and David Weber was initiated as an Associate.

The Camp has plans for a possible 100 year re-dedication of the GAR monument in Lakeview cemetery. If all goes well, the re-dedication will take place Saturday, May 27th. Our Camp Commander is in discussion with officials from the George W. Lee Civil War Roundtable, the Camp Guard from Governor Crapo Camp No. 145 and others relative to this Memorial Day activity.

Williams

Ancestor Vignette

George Elias William Beryl Heaton
Sergeant
28th Michigan Infantry
Company F

Great Grandfather
of
Hylon J. Heaton
Gov. Crapo Camp No. 145

George E. M. B. Heaton was born 5 August 1844, in Orleans County, New York. He volunteered for service in Company B of the 13th Michigan Infantry on February 10, 1863. George was wounded on the 20th of September, 1863 at Chickamauga Creek, Tennessee and was hospitalized in Chicago, Illinois. He was discharged and returned home to Fitchburg, Michigan to recover from his wound.

Recovered from his wound, George reenlisted August 20th 1864 in Company F of the 28th Michigan Infantry. He entered with the rank of Corporal. His father, John C. Heaton, a wagon maker by profession, enlisted with him as a private. George's brother, Hylon (Hyer) E. Heaton, also enlisted with the rank of private at this time, but with the 9th Michigan Cavalry, Company C. George was injured a second time in the battle of Kingston, North Carolina (also called Wyse Ford). It was said that he lay trapped for 26 hours under a breastwork timber during the battle. He gained the rank of Sergeant before his honorable discharge on the 5th of June, 1866 at Raleigh, North Carolina.

George wore a double truss the remainder of his life to correct the left inguinal hernia he received at Wyse Ford. He died of a surgery complication for a strangulated bowel, the result of this hernia, on March 3, 1922, in Boyne City, Michigan

Footnote: Hylon (Hyer) E. Heaton, my Great Great Uncle and my namesake, disappeared after his discharge on July 21, 1865 at Lexington, North Carolina. His cavalry saber has been passed down to me, but after searching for three years for this side of our family, I have run out of ideas. If any of the Brothers have any information about his burial site or succeeding generations of his family, I would be very much in their debt for such information.

Hylon J. Heaton III



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Ancestor Vignette

Garret E. Smith
Sergeant
10th Michigan Cavalry
Company K

Great Grandfather
of
Kenneth K. Smith
Austin Blair Camp No. 7

Garret E. Smith was born in 1843 in Eaton County, Michigan. He enlisted at Eaton Rapids, Michigan and was sent to Lexington, Kentucky where the 10th was outfitted with equipment and horses. Garret was severely injured in a training accident, but although in great pain, he traveled with the 10th to Strawberry Plains, Tennessee which is a little Southeast of Knoxville. The Regiment traveled over the Smokey Mountains during a blizzard, which was no small feat in itself.

The 10th spent most of their time based in this area during the war, but they roamed the tri-state area raiding railroads and tearing up tracks and causing as much destruction as possible. The regiment was however, attached to various units in several battles.

Garret evidently was still in great pain due to his damaged spinal cord and was sent to Carver Hospital in Washington, D. C. He left Strawberry Plains in June of 1863 and showed up at muster at the hospital in detention in August. Seems like Garret must have had a little fun on his way to D. C. In any event, he was reduced in rank to private. He was transferred to the Veterans Reserve Corps as a sergeant in Company I, 7th Regiment in December 1863. He spent the rest of his service in Washington.

Garret was honorably discharged October 27, 1864 and returned to Eaton Rapids and tried to resume his life. He married and fathered two children, Charles and Dolly, with Charles being my grandfather. Garret lived the rest of his life in severe pain due to his injury. He also suffered from diarrhea contracted during the war, which he never was able get rid of. He passed away in 1875.

I have never been able to find any information about his death nor his place of interment. I am quite sure he is buried at the family plot in Plains Cemetery on Plains Road East of Eaton Rapids. If he is buried there, he has no headstone. That will be one of my next objectives, to find his grave site and place a military headstone.

Kenneth K. Smith

John J. White
Private
5th Michigan Cavalry
Company D

Great Grandfather
of
John Walker, SVC
Alexander French Camp No. 28

John J. White, born 1826-27, Fort Ann, Washington County, New York came to the village of Muir, Ionia County, Michigan in the mid 1850's with his wife Maria and two of their three children.

On August 15, 1862 John enlisted in D Company, 1st Regiment Michigan Mounted Rifles as a pioneer with Captain N. P. Gardner, also from the village of Muir (see page 32 of J. H. Kidds "Personal Recollections of a Cavalryman"). The records show that the enlistment took place at the village of Lyons, Michigan. At this time the overall command was under Colonel J. T. Copeland. This unit later became Company D, 5th Michigan Cavalry.

The Company descriptive book lists J. J. White as age 34, 5' 10" in height, eyes black, hair auburn, born in Washington County New York, occupation carpenter, enlistment term 3 years.

Company muster rolls show that Private White was present from the time the battle of Gettysburg was fought, to the time of the Cedar Creek engagement. Undoubtedly he took part in many engagements; from the Rummel Farm near Gettysburg, until the time of his discharge at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas on June 22, 1865.

John White died August 11, 1882 at Muir, Michigan. He is buried in Northplains Cemetery, Ionia County.

Facts on the 5th Michigan Cavalry: The 5th was a part of the famed Michigan Cavalry Brigade, made up of the 1st, 5th, 6th and 7th Michigan Cavalry Regiments. Two of its more famous commanders were General George Armstrong Custer and General Phillip H. Sheridan. Records show that fatalities of the 5th were 141 killed or mortally wounded and 225 died of disease.

Note: The Recruiting Captain of the 1st Michigan Mounted Rifles, N. P. Gardner, who private White enlisted with, was another great grandfather of mine.

John Walker



Charge at Full Gallop!

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Ancestor Vignette

Robert Mann
Private
111th Ohio Infantry
Company F

Great Grandfather
of
John R. Mann
Austin Blair Camp No. 7

Robert was the firstborn of four children, all boys, of William and Mary Mann. He was born on the 27th day of August, 1829, in Muskingham County, Ohio. He grew up on his father's farm learning the trade of the farmer. In 1852, he married Mary Jane Poorman of Stark County, Ohio. The newly married couple moved to Defiance County, Ohio near the village of Hicksville, purchased land for a farm and built a house. Three children were subsequently born to them; William, in 1853; Joseph, in 1854; John, in 1858; and Mary, in 1861.

Robert was almost 34 when he enlisted in Company F, 111th Ohio, Captain I. E. Hill commanding. He was mustered into service at Toledo, Ohio on September 5, 1862, receiving a premium and bounty totaling \$27.00. He is described in the Company Descriptive Book as being of dark complexion, with blue eyes, black hair and 5' 8 $\frac{3}{8}$ " in height. Company muster rolls show him being on duty with the regiment from the time it left Toledo until the last part of May, 1864. During the period from June 1, 1863 to December 31, 1863 he was detailed as a Regimental Pioneer. In May of 1864, he contracted dysentery and was sent to a field hospital near Dallas, Georgia. In July he reported back to his Company where he was assigned duty as a stretcher bearer for a short period, as he was judged not fit for regular duty. His muster rolls show him present with the Regiment from this date until May 30, 1865 when he was given a thirty day furlough home. While he was on furlough, the 111th Ohio was "mustered out of the service of the United States Army" at Salisbury, N. C. June 27, 1865. Records show that he was advance the sum of \$13.80 to pay for his railroad passage home and he was owed \$75.00 pay at the time of his discharge.

After his return to civilian life, Robert and Mary had one more child, a son, born July 18, 1866 (my grandfather, Robert E. Mann). Robert first applied for a pension in 1882 citing chronic diarrhea, deafness and partial blindness as reasons for disability. The deafness and blindness were stated due to an exploding shell during the Atlanta Campaign. Signed affidavits from several soldiers in his Regiment, including Officers and the Regimental Surgeon, stated that Robert "was stunned from a shell that exploded near his head. The blast did not wound him with any fragments, but caused him to bleed from the nose and ears. He was treated by the Regimental Surgeon and returned to his Company." A partial pension was granted to him at that time. His disabilities increased as he became older and near the end of his life he was receiving a full pension. Robert was active in the GAR and attended several reunions of his Regiment. He died August 20, 1893, seven days short of his 64th birthday, from the effects of chronic diarrhea. Mary Jane outlived him by nearly 14 years, dying on August 10, 1907.

John Mann

Hugh McLellan Beveridge
Private
9th Illinois Cavalry
Company F

Great Great Grandfather
of
Thomas Wightman, JVC
U. S. Grant Camp No. 101

Hugh McLellan Beveridge was born in 1824 in Perth County, Scotland. From 1843 to 1853, he served as a private in the 4th Light Dragoons of the British Army. Part of this regiment was engaged in the famous ill-fated charge at Balaclava. Fortunately for his descendants, Hugh was on garrison duty in Ireland at that time.

After emigrating to America and working as a book-binder in Chicago, Hugh enlisted as a private in the 9th Illinois Cavalry, Company F, on 2 October 1861. He was discharged by reason of disability (epilepsy) on 3 April 1862. Throughout most of his service with the 9th, the regiment was assigned to Steele's Division, District of Southeast Missouri, an area beset with Confederate guerrilla activity. After the war, Hugh abandoned his family about 1870 and returned to Scotland, never to be heard from by his family again.

Thomas Wightman



Daniel McIntyre
Private
8th New York Heavy Artillery
Battery H

Great Great Grandfather
of
Thomas Wightman, JVC
U. S. Grant Camp No. 101

Daniel McIntyre was born on 10 October 1834 in Knockvallen, Antrim County, Ireland. Prior to the Civil War, Daniel was a farmer in West Troy (Watervliet), New York. He enlisted as a private on 22 September 1864 at Albany, New York in the 23rd Independent Battery of New York Light Artillery; and was transferred on 31 December 1864 to Co. H, 8th New York Heavy Artillery. The 8th took part in the Appomattox Campaign and the Grand Review in Washington, D. C. Daniel was mustered out on 5 June 1865.

After the war, Daniel moved with his family to Randolph County in southern Illinois, where he was a farmer until his death on 24 July 1874.

Thomas Wightman

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Ancestor Vignette

Simon Presler Samuel Presler
Private Private
21st Ohio Infantry
Company F

Great Great Uncles
of
John R. Mann
Austin Blair Camp No. 7

Samuel Presler was born in 1836 and was the eldest of nine children born to George Presler and Elizabeth Miller. Simon was the fifth born child (1843) and their second son. Both were born on the family farm in Big Lick Township, Hancock County, Ohio. Very little information has been passed down through the years on the Presler family, but I believe from evidence I have uncovered that Samuel was married prior to the Civil War.

Simon enlisted in the 21st Ohio at the age of 19 on September 5, 1861 as a private. He was mustered for three years service on September 19th at Findlay, Ohio. Company Descriptive books list him as being 5' 10" in height, with a fair complexion, blue eyes and brown hair. His listed occupation, not surprisingly, was that of a farmer. The 21st was issued orders to proceed to Kentucky on October 1st. On October 15th they received marching orders to intercept a rebel invasion of Kentucky by units under the command of Confederate General Simon Buckner. While the regiment was in pursuit of the rebels, Simon wrote the following letter to his mother and father. The letter (copied here as originally spelled and punctuated) and a tintype of Simon are the only momentos I have of him.



Simon Presler

Apparently, this and subsequent letters home aroused the interest of Simon's older brother Samuel, for on August 25, 1862, he also enlisted for three years in Company F. He was mustered at Camp Dennison, Ohio and soon after joined the regiment. The Company Descriptive books show him being 5' 11", with blue eyes, light complexion and light hair. Enlisting was a fatal mistake for Samuel, for on December 6, 1862, he was admitted to an Army Hospital at Nashville, Tennessee with the measles. He died from them on December 22nd and is buried in the National Cemetery at Nashville.

On the 26th of May, 1863, the 21st Ohio (except for companies A and B) was armed with the Colt's revolving rifle. The 21st Ohio was the only infantry regiment to be armed with this .58 caliber five shot weapon. The Colt's rifle gave the infantryman a quick five shots, but it was slow to reload. The Ohioan's soon learned to make use of the rapidity of fire and to compensate for its slowness of reloading. During an attack, all would fire a quick two or three rounds, then some would cease fire while the others emptied their rifles, then they would continue firing while their comrades were reloading.

The 21st participated in many skirmishes and battles. Some of the more famous were Stone's River or Murfreesboro, the Tullahoma Campaign, Chickamauga, the Siege of Chattanooga, the Atlanta Campaign, Sherman's March, Bentonville and Averyville.

During the Battle of Chickamauga, the 21st Ohio was for the most part overrun, captured and lost their flag in a surprise attack. Company F and another Company escaped capture as they were separated from the rest of the regiment by a ridge. Many of the captured men escaped during a Union counterattack and were able to rejoin the regiment, enough so that the it wasn't disbanded.

Simon's records show that he too was hospitalized with the measles, being admitted December 2, 1861, discharged and returned to duty on January 6, 1862. His next hospital stay was from February 25, to March 12, 1862, due to a severe case of diarrhea. The records indicate he was present with the regiment from then until December 31, 1863, when he was discharged to reenlist as a Veteran Volunteer. Reenlistment came fast on January 1, 1864, followed by mustering on January 5th. Sometime during February (the records don't show the date) he went on a thirty day furlough during which time I assume he went home to Ohio. Simon returned to the regiment some time in March. The next entry on his record shows him being admitted to the 21st Ohio Regimental Hospital on March 21, 1864. Simon died the next day, a victim of an accidental gunshot wound through the chest, according to his medical records. His body was returned home and is buried in the Big Lick Township Cemetery.

John Mann

Oct. 22nd. A. D. 1861

I take my pen in hand to let you know that I am well at the present and I hope that these few lines may find you all well at present. We have been traveling for 7 days and we have settled down for a few days til we get rested. Traveling over hills and mountains is hard work carrying ones knapsack and guns. Banks Moor he gave out and I took his load and carried it to camp. Next morning loaded it up again and traveled a gain we now are in the Eastern part of Kentucky we havt got in to no fight yet. Last night the picket guards got to shooting at dogs and raised the Regiment. We was shure we would get in a fight but did not. I tell you we would like to get in one soon as come home our Regiment has captured four head of horses nine head of cattle the last one ar dead the last one I helped to kill and that was a boot you beten believe he is tuf. I wony help kill another too tuf. I tell you that old rooster that I captured was a great deal better. I tell you I like rooster this is a hard way to write laying on my belly. Banks Moor Phobes man at work on the road. He could not work any in big lick you well know that he is well now I must bring my letter to a close but remember you must excuse my poor writing. Simon Presler

When you write me address me in care of Capt. H. H. A. Ubin

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Ancestor Vignette

Orlando Hall Worcester
Private
7th Ohio Infantry
Company C

First Cousin twice removed
of
Dale M. Worcester
Ulysses S. Grant Camp No. 101

Orlando was born in 1837 in Pittsfield Township near Oberlin, Ohio. He was the oldest of six children of Benjamin Franklin Worcester and Mary (Wilder) Worcester.

Orlando is described as being 5 ft. 9 and $\frac{1}{4}$ in., with a light complexion, blue eyes, brown hair and by occupation a teacher, when he joined the army at Camp Dennison, Ohio on June 20, 1861.

In October Orlando joined his regiment, which at that time was attached to the Railroad District, Department of West Virginia and engaged in operations in the Kanawha Valley. In the following six months the regiment fought at Loop Creek, Fayetteville, McCoys Mills and Blue's Gap.

In March of 1862, the 7th Ohio was re-assigned to the Third Brigade, Shield's Second Division, Bank's V Corps, Army of the Potomac and was engaged in the advance on Winchester and the reconnaissance to Strasburg, Virginia. On March 23rd, while engaged in the battle of Winchester, Orlando was shot through the left leg near the ankle. His leg was amputated halfway to the knee. On April 15, 1862, Orlando died of the wounds he received in action. He is buried in the National Cemetery at Arlington, Virginia.

Orlando's father, Benjamin, was a brother to my great grandfather, James McRoberts Worcester.

Dale M. Worcester

William W. Worcester
Sergeant
12th Ohio Cavalry
Company F

First Cousin twice removed
of
Dale M. Worcester
Ulysses S. Grant Camp No. 101

William was born in 1843 at Sudbury, Vermont and made his living as a farmer. After moving with his parents Joseph W. Worcester and Maria (Clark) Worcester to the Pittsfield Township-Oberlin, Ohio area, he worked in his fathers brick factory.

In the Fall of 1863 the 12th Ohio Cavalry was organized and mustered into federal service on November 24, 1863. William enlisted in the 12th Ohio on October 6, 1863 and was appointed as 1st Duty Sergeant. The regiment's muster book describes him as being 5 ft. 9 in. with light complexion, hazel eyes and black hair.

The regiment performed garrison duty at Camp Chase, Ohio until February of 1864, then was sent to Camp Dennison through March of 1864. The regiment was then sent to Nashville, Tennessee and assigned to the Second Brigade, Fifth Division, XXIII Army Corps.

In May 1864, the 12th Ohio fielded operations against Morgan's invasion of Kentucky. On June 8, 1864 Sergeant Worcester saw action at Mt. Sterling, Kentucky and was wounded in the fight. He later died of these wounds at Point Burnside, Kentucky Army Hospital on October 19, 1864.

William's father was a brother to James McRoberts Worcester, my great grandfather.

Dale M. Worcester

Old Glory

Captain Steven Driver is credited as being the person who first called our National Flag "Old Glory". He was just 28 in 1831 when he was in command of the brig "Charles Doggett" and about to sail from his native Massachusetts. He was presented with a large American flag and when it was caught by the breeze, he christened it "Old Glory". He is credited with giving our National Flag its nickname.

Years later, this same flag was taken with him to his retirement home in Nashville, Tennessee, where he became a strong supporter of the Union. It was easy to believe his nickname became "Old Glory Driver". As the war broke out many of the local secessionist's goal was to destroy his large American Flag. His home and grounds were repeatedly searched to no avail. Everyone knew it was there, but where?

With confidence the Captain told them they would see it again, when it would fly over the Capitol of Tennessee. In order

to conceal it until that time, this wise old man personally quilted "Old Glory" into a comforter until February, 1862.

When the Sixth Ohio Infantry became the first Union troops into Nashville on February 25, 1862, after the fall of Fort Donelson, they were met by this retired sea captain. He could then proudly watch as his "Old Glory" was unfurled over the capitol building for all to see.

Taken from: The Story of a Regiment, a History of the Campaigns and Associations in the Field of the Sixth Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Infantry. By E. Hannaford, published by the author 1868, Cincinnati, Ohio. And, the 1914 edition of the Decatur (Mich) Republican as quoted in the Scrapbook History of Decatur Michigan, published in 1976 by the Decatur Bicentennial Committee.

Bill Lowe, Austin Blair Camp No 7

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The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Department of Michigan

106th Annual Encampment

Agenda

Friday, June 9, 1995

7:30 pm Department Officers Meeting Michigan Room

Saturday, June 10, 1995

7:00 to 9:00 am Breakfast Buffet Stripes/Regency Room

8:00 am Department Council Meeting Michigan Room

8:00 am Delegate Registration Michigan Room

9:30 am 1995 SUVCW Department Encampment Michigan Room

1. Opening Ceremony
2. Roll call of officers and Staff
3. Credentials Committee Report
4. Encampment Committee Reports
5. Approval of 1994 Encampment Minutes
6. Communications
7. Department Officer Reports
8. Old Business

12:00 Noon Luncheon (optional) Regency/Stripes Room

12:00 Noon Greetings to the Allied Orders

1:15 to 3:00 pm Encampment continues Michigan Room

9. Committee Reports
10. New Business
11. Election of Department Officers
12. Announcement of Staff Appointments
13. Installation of Officers
14. Closing Ceremony

6:00 pm Allied Orders Banquet Delta Room

9:00 pm Allied Orders Meeting

Michigan Department Annual Encampment
Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic
Holiday Inn West — 7501 West Saginaw, Lansing, Michigan
June 9 - 11, 1995

Three of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic will hold their Michigan department Annual Encampment at the Holiday Inn West, 7501 West Saginaw, Lansing, Michigan on June 9th through 11th, 1995. Representatives of the Women's Relief Corps, the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be in attendance. The Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War will be the host organization.

Delegates and attendees will begin arriving on Friday, June 9, 1995. The WRC and DUV will have registration. There is also a fun night planned which all Allied Orders are encouraged to attend. Each Allied Order will have the same rooms as last year. The DUV will have the Delta Room, WRC the Waverly Room and the SUV will have the Michigan Room. Activities for the SUVCW will commence with registration on Saturday morning at 8:00 am outside the Michigan Room. Their business session will begin at 9:30.

Hotel double bedroom rates are \$58.00 + 10% tax for a total of \$63.80 for each night's lodging, with up to five persons per room. **Hotel reservations must be made directly with the hotel** by calling (517) 627-3211. May 19th is the cutoff date to get the special rate. **After may 19th the rate will be \$79.00 plus 10% tax.** A group of rooms has been blocked. Please ask for the Grand Army of the Republic when making reservations. The hotel will provide a complete breakfast buffet Saturday and Sunday morning from 7:00 to 9:00 am for \$5.50 (tax and gratuity included). A joint Saturday luncheon of soup/sandwich/dessert will be provided in the Regency CD/Stripes Room at 12:00 Noon for \$6.00 (tgi).

The Annual Allied Orders of the GAR Banquet will be held at 6:00 pm in the Delta Room. A dinner selection of roast pork or stuffed chicken will be accompanied by tossed salad, baked potato, California blend and strawberry delight for \$15.50 (tgi). Dinner will be followed by presentations, awards and a speaker to be announced.

Please, Please, Please complete the following form by June 3, 1995 and return it to Carol Santini. We do not want to have the same problems we had last year with not enough seats set up for those who want to eat.

Please return by June 3, 1995

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Plan for _____ person(s) attending the Saturday breakfast buffet @ \$5.50 _____

Plan for _____ person(s) attending the Joint Luncheon @ \$6.00 _____

Plan for _____ person(s) attending the Banquet @ \$15.50 ** _____

Plan for _____ person(s) attending the Sunday Breakfast buffet @ \$5.50 _____

**Please choose roast pork loin _____ or stuffed chicken _____

Please Make all checks payable to: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861 — 1865

Send the completed form to: Carol J. Santini, 603 Glendale, Clare, MI 48617-1609.

Thank You, let's have a good, productive time!

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Calendar Of Events

May

2nd — Alexander French Camp No. 28 - Big Rapids
Meeting - 7:30 pm at the Free Methodist Church, Big Rapids.

4th — Colegrove-Woodruff Camp No. 22 - Marshall
Meeting - 7:30 pm at the GAR Hall, 402 East Michigan Avenue, Marshall.

8th — Austin Blair Camp No. 7 - Jackson
Meeting - 7:00 pm at the American Legion Hall, 3200 Lansing Avenue, Jackson.

9th — Gen. John A. Logan Camp No. 1 - Grand Rapids
Meeting - 7:00 pm, Michigan Veterans Facility, 3000 Monroe Street, Grand Rapids.

9th — Nash-Hodges Camp No. 43 - Blissfield
Meeting - 7:00 pm American Legion Hall, 451 High Street, Blissfield.

11th — Wa-Bu-No Camp No. 53 - Mt. Pleasant
Meeting - 7:00 pm, Sheperd Museum, Corner of 1st and Maple Streets, Sheperd.

17th — Governor Crapo Camp No. 145 - Flint
Meeting - 7:30 pm, Flint Public Library, 1026 Kearsley, Flint.

18th — Gilluly-Kingsley Camp No. 120 - Howell
Meeting - 7:00 pm, Howell Carnegie Library, 314 West Grand River, Howell.

23rd — Benjamin Pritchard Camp No. 20 - Kalamazoo
Meeting - 7:00 pm, American Legion Hall, 431 East South Street, Kalamazoo.

30th — Curtenius Guard Camp No. 17 - Sunfield
Meeting - 7:00 pm, GAR Hall, Main Street, Sunfield.

30th — Gen. Phil Kearny Camp No. 67 - Bay City
Meeting - 7:00 pm, VFW Hall No. 485, 3022 North Water Street, Bay City.

30th — Memorial Day
Each Camp should hold Memorial Day ceremonies in their own community. Preferably in conjunction with other local Veteran Organizations

June

1st — Colegrove-Woodruff Camp No. 22 - Marshall
Meeting - 7:30 pm at the GAR Hall, 402 East Michigan Avenue, Marshall.

10th — 106th Michigan Department Encampment
8:00 am, registration starts. Meeting 9:00 am until 4:00 pm. Holiday Inn West, 7501 West Saginaw, Lansing. Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Women's Relief Corps Department Encampments also held concurrently, with the Women's Relief Corps as the host Order. Luncheon and Dinner available.

June (continued)

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14th — Flag Day
All SUVCW Brothers are encouraged to fly the National Colors today.

15th — Gilluly-Kingsley Camp No. 120 - Howell
Meeting - 7:00 pm, Howell Carnegie Library, 314 West Grand River, Howell.

24th — Ulysses S. Grant Camp No. 101 - Detroit
Meeting - 2:00 pm, Elmwood Cemetery, 1200 Elmwood Avenue, Detroit.

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