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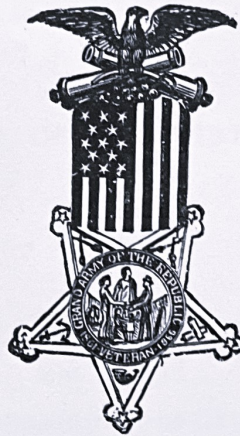
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Roll of the Thirtieth Annual Encampment Department of Texas, Grand Army of the Republic

Dallas, Texas, May 7th and 8th, 1915

Robert McCormick, Commander.....	Dallas, Texas
C. S. Broadbent, Sr. Vice Commander.....	San Antonio, Texas
J. M. Robins, Jr. Vice Commander.....	Fort Worth, Texas
B. F. Cavin, Chaplain	Dallas, Texas
G. Helbing, Medical Director.....	Dallas, Texas
C. S. Broadbent, Patriotic Instructor.....	San Antonio, Texas
J. S. Dunlap, Asst. A. G. and Q. M. Gen.....	Dallas, Texas

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

W. F. Conner.....	Dallas, Texas
H. W. Nye.....	Fort Worth, Texas
A. I. Lockwood.....	San Antonio, Texas
Max Hart.....	Houston, Texas
Dexter Wagner.....	Denison, Texas
W. F. Conner, Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief.....	Dallas, Texas
A. W. Acheson, Surgeon General.....	
L. L. Whittaker, Surgeon General.....	

PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS.

Year.	P. O. Address
1893. Jno. W. Park, Encampment at Dallas.....	Dallas, Texas
1895. W. W. Bostick, Encampment at Waco.....	Longmont, Colo.
1897. Ed N. Ketchum, Encampment at Houston.....	Galveston, Texas
1898. W. F. Conner, Encampment at Austin.....	Dallas, Texas
1904. Jno. L. Boyd, Encampment at San Antonio.....	Dallas, Texas
1906. W. H. Harvey, Encampment, at Dallas.....	Belton Texas
1907. L. L. Whitaker, Encampment at Dallas.....	San Antonio, Texas
1909. Calvin R. Hubbard, Encampment at Denison....	Lampasas, Texas
1910. J. S. Dunlap, Encampment at Fort Worth.....	Dallas, Texas
1911. W. O. Kretsinger, Encampment at Dallas.....	Denison Texas
1912. E. P. Brown, Encampment at Corpus Christi..	Fort Worth, Texas
1913. Sidney Tuttle, Encampment at San Antonio..	San Antonio, Texas

REPRESENTATIVES FRO POSTS.

McPherson Post No. 1, Sherman.

Commander, H. A. Johnson; Delegate, William Seitz; P. P. C., W. A. Allen, Joe Rock, John Brown.

W. S. Hancock Post No. 2, Galveston.

Commander, Ed N. Ketchum; Delegate, Anson Miller; Alternate, R. Garland; P. P. C., Edwin Gruis, Wm. H. Boyd, C. A. Cahoon, Geo. H. Clawson, N. L. Rich.

E. O. C. Ord. Post No. 3, San Antonio.

Commander, Edwin Loomis; Delegates, R. B. Collins, W. P. Hough, James Wharton, N. T. Ayears, James Murphy; Alternates, Pat Keeney, Thos. Dolan, J. C. Rump, Morris Samuels, T. Vanderwort; P. P. C., M. H. Redwood, Nate Underwood, Wm. Holt, Edward Meyers, C. S. Broadbent, Leonard Garza, Sidney Tuttle, Alvin Mosher, L. L. Whitaker, H. L. Brook, J. C. Shuttle, John Bishop, F. Vandervort, A. I. Lockwood.

Parmley Post No. 4, Fort Worth.

Commander, I. W. Rouse; Delegates, J. F. Casey, Calvin Waterman, J. E. Allgier, J. W. Mitchell, C. Waterman, John R. Goree, H. W. Nye, Charles Bagget, W. F. Remmington; Alternates, A. D. Palmer, Milton Keys, C. C. Cox.

Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 5, Denison.

Commander, E. Farley; Delegates, S. E. Wirtz, Wm. Perkins, Chas. Eldrede, H. Edmonson; P. P. C., H. Alexander, D. Wagner, Charles Kleine, Barney Daniels, W. O. Kretsinger.

Richard J. Oglesby Post No. 6, Dallas.

Commander, Alex McWhirk; Delegates, J. M. Naylor, F. Zethraus, F. J. Yingling, W. W. Farley; Alternates, Geo. W. Loomis, Walter S. Gardner, J. S. Clem, D. B. Morris; P. P. C, Robert McCormick, W F. Thacher, Alex McWhirk, Geo. A. Knight, P. B. Sprague, J. W. Ayers, Wililam M. Galbrith, L. W. Clark, W. F. Conner, J. P. Clark, J. S. Dunlap, A. Rockhold, Jno. L. Boyd, P. Y. Mullen, G. Helbing, G. A. Burbank, Jno. L. Boyd, M. L. Mullen, Martin Balwig, E. S. Post.

Geo. B. McClellan Post No. 9, Houston.

Commander, Max Hart; Delegates, T. W. Reeves, John Richey; Alternates, S. R. Carter, David Hcdson; P. P. C., J. J. Billow, J. J. Scholl, Geo. Smith, Aug. Metcalf, Max Hart, James H. Agen, (Past Post Department Com. Wisconsin) N. L. Mills, W. A. Rowan.

Emmit Crawford Post No. 19, El Paso.

Commander, J. M. Smith; Delegates, Edgar Love, M. L. Kelly; Alternates, Thos. Ottery, Z. S. Johnson; P. P. C., C. S. Woodworth, J. M. Smith, F. E. Tusten, J. H. Ware, O. D. Owen.

Phil Kearney Post No. 20, Lampasas.

Commander, C. C. Townsley; Delegate, Henry Landrum; P. P. C., W. H. Webber, N. W. Charles, C. R. Hubbard, John H. Rosa, D. Doole.

Geo. W. Wright Post No. 26, Paris.

Commander, M. Davidson; P. P. C., T. S. Whitlock, John Leavitt, T. O. Proctor, T. U. Johnson, John Keeler.

Meade Post No. 35, Decatur.

Kirkpatrick Post No. 40, Belton.

Commander, M. F. Hiatt; P. P. C., M. F. Hiatt, W. H. Harvey.

U. S. Grant Post No. 45, Weatherford.

Commander, M. B. Young; Delegate, W. R. Lynch; P. P. C., M. B. Young, W. R. Lynch.

Canby Post No. 48, Jacksboro.

Commander, John Smith; P. P. C., Israel Stoddard, W. H. McConnell.

E. J. Davis Post No. 54, Corpus Christi.

Commander, E. J. Kilmer; Delegate, J. H. C. White; P. P. C., J. H. C. White, W. G. Holden, E. J. Kilmer.

Sam Houston Post No. 55, Stephenville.

Commander, W. H. Christian; Delegate, R. P. Williams;
Alternate, D. D. H. Moore; P. P. C., Tom Bays.

Rousseau Post Na. 60, Graham.

Commander, J. F. Orrell; P. P. C., P. B. Hunt.

Lawton Post No. 80, Beaumont.

Commander, Byron Underhill; Delegate, Henry Smith;
P. P. C., Byron R. Underhill, James H. Howland.

Garfield Post No. 83, Victoria.

Commander, H. C. Adler.

Roll adopted by vote of Encampment.

Minutes of the Thirtieth Encampment Department of Texas, Grand Army of the Republic

Dallas, Texas, May 7th and 8th, 1915

May 7, 1915— 11 A. M.

Encampment called to order and opened, Robert McCormick, Department Commander.

Invocation, by B. F. Cavins, Department Chaplin.

Roll call, by Assistant Adjutant J. S. Dunlap.

On motion of W. F. Conner, seconded by Max Hart, that all comrades in good standing present be added to the roll as representatives.

Senior Vice Commander C. S. Broadbent was called to the chair and Commander Robert McCormick read his annual report.

The following committee was appointed to report thereon: John W. Parks, Sidney Tuttle and Max Hart.

Motion by W. F. Conner that all officers not having reports ready, prepare them and send to Adjutant for insertion in Journal.

Adjutant General's report read and referred to Council Administration.

Senior Vice Commander C. S. Broadbent's report read and referred to B. F. Cavins, M. Ballwig and C. A. Cahoon.

Patriotic Instructor C. S. Broadbent's report read and received, with the thanks of Department; to be condensed and printed in Journal.

Department Chaplin's report read and approved, and to be printed.

Report of Committee on Commanders report adopted.

Report of Council of Administration received and adopted.

Resolution repealing one passed at Fort Worth, concerning printing Journal. Forty dollars appropriated to pay for Thirtieth Annual Encampment.

Motion to appoint special committee.

Resolution on death Past Commanders.

B. F. CAVINS,
W. F. CONNER,
C. S. BROADBENT,
W. O. KRETSINGER,
JNO. W. PARKS.

Moved and seconded to elect officers tomorrow at 10 o'clock. Carried.

Visiting committee of W. R. C. announced.

W. F. Conner, Sidney Tuttle and W. H. Nye, committee, introduced Alice McEwing, Verna Irving and Rosilee Lacy, who presented greeting from W. R. C., each of whom made very interesting addresses and were heartily cheered by the comrades.

Report from Hattie S. Jack, President W. R. C., received and adopted, and ordered printed in Journal.

Comrade B. F. Cavins made an eloquent response to greeting of ladies of W. R. C.

Moved, seconded and carried that this Department confer by committee with W. R. C. concerning joint installation of officers, time to suit convenience of ladies.

Moved and seconded that we meet in this hall May 8, 1915, at 8:30 a. m., and go in a body to inspect Dallas County's criminal court building. Carried.

May 8, 1915.

Encampment met. T. W. Woodcock detailed as officer of the day.

Letters read from L. L. Whittaker, Past Surgeon General, Comrades W. H. Christian and Israel Stoddard, ex-

pressing regrets at not being able to attend Encampment.

Council of Administration report on reports of Assistant Adjutant and Assistant Q. M. Major General correct.

Commander announced time had arrived for nomination of officers for ensuing term.

Comrade B. F. Cavins nominated C. S. Broadbent for Commander; seconded by W. F. Conner.

Moved and seconded rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant cast the unanimous vote of the Encampment for C. S. Broadbent for Commander for ensuing term. Vote was so cast and Comrade W. F. Conner escorted the comrade to platform. He thanked the Encampment for the honor.

Comrade Sidney Tuttle nominated Comrade M. B. Young for Senior Vice Commander; seconded by A. I. Lockwood of E. O. C. Ord Post; also W. F. Conner of Richard J. Oglesby Post and H. W. Nye of Parmely Post No. 4.

Nye also moved that the rules be suspended and the Assistant Adjutant cast the entire vote for M. B. Young for the ensuing term. Carried. Vote cast as ordered.

H. W. Nye escorted Comrade Young to platform and he thanked the Encampment.

W. F. Conner nominated A. McWhirk for Senior Vice Commander; seconded by H. W. Nye and A. I. Lockwood.

Moved that rules be suspended and Adjutant cast Encampment vote for A. McWhirk. Carried. Vote cast as ordered. Comrade McWhirk accepted the honor conferred with thanks.

W. F. Conner nominated Comrade B. F. Cavins for Department Chaplin.

Moved and seconded that Assistant Adjutant cast entire vote for B. F. Cavins. Carried. Vote cast as ordered.

H. W. Nye nominated G. Helbing for Medical Director; seconded by W. F. Conner and A. I. Lockwood.

Motion to suspend rules carried.

Vote of Encampment cast for G. Helbing, Medical Director.

B. F. Cavins nominated Comrade M. Ballwig for Delegate at Large.

Moved by A. I. Lockwood that rules be suspended and Assistant Adjutant cast vote. Carried.

Vote of Encampment cast, as ordered, for M. Ballwig, Post No. 6.

W. F. Conner nominated Max Hart for Delegate, who declined the nomination.

C. A. Cahoon nominated by A. I. Lockwood for Delegate.

Moved rules be suspended and Assistant Adjutant cast vote of Encampment for C. A. Cahoon. Vote cast as ordered.

Commander C. S. Broadbent nominated F. Van Dervert for Alternate to Delegate at Large and Commander W. F. Conner nominated T. U. Johnson Alternate to Delegate at Large. Elected by unanimous vote.

Motion by W. F. Conner that the salary of Assistant Adjutant General hereafter be fixed at \$50 per annum. Carried.

Motion by W. O. Kretsinger that all Department books and records, except such as are actually necessary to carry on the work of the Department, be kept where they are now, and that Dallas be made headquarters for the same. Carried.

Headquarters Department of Texas.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Report of Department Commander.

One year ago you honored me by electing me your Department Commander, and it is now my duty to render to this Encampment an account of my stewardship.

When I assumed the leadership of this great Department I resolved to devote myself unceasingly to the responsibilities placed in my hands, leaving the honors, if any, to take care of themselves.

No Commander of this Department has ever arrived at the parting of the ways, as I do at this time, without some consciousness of how he might have improved more completely the opportunities within his grasp. Yet, we are all out human and realize that human nature can be perfected and developed by experience, which is often acquired too late to be of practical use.

Notwithstanding I have tried honestly and sincerely to uphold the dignity of the exalted position in which you have placed me and to be true to the highest and noblest traditions of the Grand Army of the Republic. The results I leave to you.

The Forty-eighth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, was held in Detroit, Michigan, August 31st to September 5th, and it is conceded was one of the most brilliant and successful encampments ever held. Detroit is the seventh city in population in the United States, and one of the most beautiful and loyal. The city appropriated \$50,000 for the entertainment of the Grand Army. All the arrangements for the pleasure and comfort of the G. A. R., W. R. C. and the several other affiliated patriotic organizations could not have been improved upon. The Grand Parade on Wednesday, the 2nd, was the crowning event of the occasion. The weather was "just right"; the

line of march was about two miles long, over smooth asphalt streets. Over 15,000 "loyal veterans marched once more to the once familiar and inspiring music of the fife and drum." It is estimated that over 400,000 people viewed this parade. Twenty Texas comrades were in the line. The business of the Encampment was transacted on the 3rd and 4th. Washington, D. C., was selected as the place for holding the 49th Encampment. The following officers were duly elected and installed:

Commander-in-Chief—David J. Palmer, Washington, Iowa.

Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief—J. B. Griswold, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Junior Vice-Commander-in-Chief—W. F. Conner, Dallas, Texas, now Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief, the greatest honor that ever came to a Comrade south of the Mason and Dixon line.

WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS.

This year we have had for a leader that loyal and patriotic woman, Mrs. Hattie Jack, the wife of a veteran formerly of Parmely Post No. 4, of Fort Worth, Texas, who with her corps of ever ready willing workers has had a watchful eye on all deserving Comrades, their wives and widows; and has always been ready to stretch forth a willing hand to assist a needy Comrade, and may God bless them in their noble work.

MEMORIAL DAY—The beautiful and impressive ceremony performed each year of placing flowers and the flag of our country on the graves of our dead heroes becomes more and more impressive to the rising generation, the sacredness of the day and of its services seems more fully appreciated as the years roll on. Lincoln's Gettysburg address should be read always, as its spirit and sentiment is most likely to inspire the young.

GALVESTON FUND—There was given to me by my predecessor \$197.08, all of which still remains in my hands to be handed to my successor.

Now that the hour has arrived to again take my place in the ranks, I assure you that I do so with a heart filled with love and good will, and overflowing with gratitude for the cordial support which I have had from the Comrades of this Department. I feel that I have been honored as but few men have and the memories of this year will be a precious bequest to my descendants. Department Commanders of these days are fortunate in having the best thought and advice of a long line of illustrious predecessors to serve as a guiding star leading ever upward; to these splendid men, my former Comrades, I am grateful that they so blazed the way that but few difficulties were left to me, and now I wish to express my sincere thanks for the loyal support I have received from each and every one of you.

Yours in F., C. & L.,

R. McCORMICK,

Department Commander.

To the Department Commander and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Texas:

It is pleasant to receive honor without having to do any work. Such is the situation at the close of the year, in which you so kindly elected me Senior Vice-Department Commander. It is said of a certain class of office holders that they seldom die and never resign. Our worthy Department Commander having happily done neither our Assistant Adjutant General has not called on me to perform any service.

There are many Federal soldiers of the Civil War who have never affiliated with our order. Whenever I meet such I try to get them to join, as do all our Comrades, and occasionally, so to speak, a brand is snatched from the burning and we burn them with the brand "G. A. R." and they are

no longer wandering mavericks. The most pitiful cases, however, are those who, having plenty of this world's goods, voluntarily desert our order owing dues, and who are deaf to all appeals to their sense of fairness, patriotism and comradeship, and having secured all in the pension line that they ever expect, and largely too through the influence of our order, now sit back in ease and display the little bronze button to an admiring posterity. Happy their number is small and we can justly be proud of the aggregate membership of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Let each one in our Department secure one recruit during the year. This will double our membership. From personal observation I think the number of old soldiers in the Department is twice the membership of the G. A. R.

Again thanking you, I am,

Yours in fraternity, charity and loyalty,

C. S. BRODBENT,

Senior Vice-Department Commander.

San Antonio, Texas, May 7th, 1915.

We, the committee, having examined the above report, recommend that it be adopted as read.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. CAVINS,

C. A. CAHOON,

MARTIN BALLWIG.

Comrades :

Another year has gone into the past. During the passage of this period, some of our Comrades have been called to join the line of those who have passed into the interior, where the "wicked cease from troubling and the weary at rest." In the departure of some of our lost Comrades we find a splendid illustration of the old saying, "Death leaves a shining mark." Because of the loss of my papers I am unable to give the general statistics of the various Posts. I am glad that I can congratulate the various Posts because of their fidelity to general religious requirements of the or-

der. The observance of Decoration Day and the attendance at Memorial services seem to have been as good as in any previous year.

And now, Comrades, you will pardon me for making the request, that as your years multiply to remember that it is the goodness of God that has lengthened your days and that you owe to Him, as a sacred debt, the fidelity and obedience of your remaining time. May we all so live that when the summons comes for us to fold our tent and go to meet the Great Commander, we shall hear Him say, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord.

B. F. CAVINS, Chaplain.

Report received and adopted.

Robert McCormick, Commander Department of Texas, G. A. R., and Comrades:

The record of another year is closed. It has been largely one of hope but there has been some fruition. My report is almost wholly local, for reasons hereafter referred to, and is mainly a record of effort in the jurisdiction of Ord. Post and its faithful auxiliaries, the Women's Relief Corps, and the Ladies' Circle of the G. A. R.

May 24th, Memorial Sunday, we held services at the Evangelical Church in San Antonio, where Rev. Garfield Johnson preached a strong patriotic sermon to a crowded house. Fine vocal and instrumental music, church decorated with National flags and everybody inspired and proud that they were Americans. I sent programs of Memorial Day to be read in the principal churches of the City, and also had the same published in our papers. Joseph Emerson Smith, editor of the Express, delivered an unusually eloquent address at the National Cemetery on Memorial Day, to about two thousand people. A battery fired a salute and a military band discoursed music. Two thousand graves were decorated, and the usual Memorial Day program was carried out. In the afternoon services were held

on the river bank, flowers were cast on the water, and Rev. Garfield Johnson gave an earnest address on the text, "Ye are the salt of the earth." In the evening at Trinity Methodist Church a program of song and an address by the Department Patriotic Instructor.

I had notice of Flag Day published in our papers and they also gave large space to the history of our flag.

I attended the Elks' annual celebration of Flag Day at their hall, where Attorney Harry Hertzberg and others made patriotic addresses, interspersed with National songs. The Elks, I believe, is the only civil organization in our country that is obligated by their laws to keep a National patriotic day, and they have chosen Flag Day.

June 16th, the Spanish War Veterans and their auxiliaries, celebrated Flag Day at their hall with a good program and talks by Comrades.

June 17th the General 4th of July Committee met and thereafter met every Wednesday afternoon. This committee is a standing one from year to year, made up of Spanish War Veterans and auxiliary, Daughters of Republic of Texas, Redmen and Degree of Pocohontas, Degree of Honor, United Confederate Veterans and Daughters of Confederacy, Grand Army of the Republic, Women's Relief Corps, Ladies Circle of G. A. R., Woodmen, etc.

A large military and civic parade took place in the morning and the Declaration of Independence was read, with addresses and music, and games in the afternoon.

For some month I had been considering the feasibility of the enactment of a public school state flag law, and to this end procured the school laws of several states having a flag law. Comrade Lockwood copied these laws and we took up this subject with our Senator, Hon. Carlos Bee, who heartily approved the subject. He wrote me from Austin February 4th, "Your letter with enclosures received. I shall, at the first opportunity, prepare a bill according to the data sent me." After the close of the session he told

us the press of legislative work was so great that he had been unable to reach this proposed bill but would take it up at the next session. This, I consider, a most important piece of work, and I hope will be followed to a successful conclusion, as also a law to prevent the desecration of the flag. Think what it would mean to our ten thousand public schools, and our million pupils, think what it would mean to our immigrants and to our moral and material interests of our state. A flag in every school house would carry with it a course of patriotic teaching, and as State Superintendent Doughty says: "There is not enough of it now taught in our schools." Flag raising and flag waving are good as far as they go, but a patriotic text book should go with them. It would thrill all loyal hearts, and doubtless neighboring states would quickly fall in line. All of you can assist in this by calling the attention of your Senators and Representatives to it.

Mr. J. S. Lockwood, a retired banker of our city, placed in my hands five beautiful flags, to be given to schools in Bexar county outside of the city. After consulting County Superintendent Stewart I placed them in good schools employing two teachers each, and averaging about eighty pupils, thus reaching ten teachers, four hundred pupils and five well settled districts. The complimentary letters that flew back and forth on account of this splendid gift are too voluminous to incorporate in this report.

February 19th I presented for the Women's Relief Corps a flag to our Garden Street School, Miss Baskin, Principal, 17 teachers, 540 pupils.

Sunshine and clouds alternate. We have had the brightness, now we must have a little gloom. A peculiar condition exists attributable to our rules that has caused me to receive no Post Patriotic Instructors' reports since our last Encampment. Assistant Adjutant General Dunlap wrote me, in answer to my letter, that he had mailed blanks to Post Patriotic Instructors in June, and he states that these

reports are due not later than June 15th. The reports for the present year will be due after our State Encampment, and the only reports that are due from which you make your report are the ones for June 15th, 1914."

According to this, our rule ought to be changed or our Encampment be held after June 15. I included in my report last year all the Post reports to that date received. Now, if the Post reports for the year June 15, 1914, to June 1915, come in between now and June 15th they cannot be reported to you until our 1916 Encampment, which will be rather stale news and on a par with some of the United States Census reports. I deeply regret for you and for myself that I am in ignorance of the patriotic work in the Department generally since our last Encampment. I have no copy of the rules and by-laws of the Department, nor of the method of altering or amending them, but we can all see the lamentable defect and how the work of the Department Instructor is curtailed, and that this condition calls for an immediate remedy. Doubtless there has been effective work done and the workers ought to be given credit for it in our Encampment reports before they die. Each Post wants to know what the other Posts have done, what they intend to do, and how they will go about it. Our annual Encampment is the clearing house for ideas, methods, advice and suggestions as well as of reports on what has already been done.

The time is ripe for work. All times are ripe for good work. "A time like this demands men and women, great hearts, strong minds, true faith and willing hands." Quoting Ruskin, "I care not where the work is, the man or woman who does work worth while is the man or woman who lives, breathes and sleeps that work; with whom it is ever present in his or her soul, whose ambition is to do it well and feel rewarded by the thought of having done it well."

The same thoughts gave energy to the efforts of good men and women before the birth of Mohamet, before the dawn of Christianity, and howsoever dark the future may

sometimes be, and how at times reason seems to be dethroned, the press of unjust wars and dire cruelty push peace and kindness behind time's curtain, yet do we feel and know that ultimately right and justice, love and benevolence will be enthroned and will rule mankind to the uttermost ends of the earth. Modern teaching dwells too strongly on the vices of past ages and not enough on their virtues. No stronger code of morals obtains today than was advocated hundreds, even thousands, of years ago. Hear the word of Alfred the Great of England: "God has made all men equally noble in their original nature. True nobility is in the mind, not in the flesh. I wished to live honorably whilst I lived, and after my life, to leave to the men who were after me my memory in good works." Like sentiments are these by a present day moralist at the dedication of a monument at the grave of our own Sam Houston: "It is of little moment whether one dies today or tomorrow, it is all important that while living he shall, for things worth living for, leave the world better for his having lived in it, and dying live again in the lives of those who have been inspired by his words and example."

Thanking the officers and members of the Department for their loyalty, helpfulness and co-operation, I am,

Yours in fraternity, charity and loyalty,

C. S. BRODBENT,

Department Patriotic Instructor.

San Antonio, Texas, May 7th, 1915.

Report Received and adopted.

Resolved, that the Department of Texas G. A. R. hereby extends hearty thanks to U. S. Senator Sheppard for introducing in, and having passed by, the U. S. Senate a bill to prevent the desecration of our National flag; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Senator Sheppard.

C. S. BRODBENT.

Report received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT TO THE G. A. R.

Robert McCormick, Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of Texas.

I have the honor to submit to you the standing of the Department Woman's Relief Corps: No. of Corps, 6; members, 31; money corps relief, \$33.70; amount other than money, \$29.00. Total \$62.70. Soldiers assisted, 4, families assisted 7, amount turned over to Post \$30.00. Expended for flowers \$32.70.

I extend to you my grateful thanks for many courtesies received and kindness shown me during my term of office, and the assurance of the continued zeal and interest of the Woman's Relief Corps in all that tends to the welfare of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Fraternally yours in F. C. and L.,

HATTIE S. JACK,

Department President of Texas.

Report received and adopted.

Dallas, Texas, May 7th, 1915.

Comrade Robert McCormick, Commander, Department of Texas, Grand Army of the Republic.

I herewith submit my report as Assistant Adjutant General: Reported in good standing December 31st, 1913:

	Posts	M'b'rs
	20	399
Gained by muster -----	14	
Gained by transfer -----	6	
Gained by reinstatement -----	4	
Gained delinquent -----	5	
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	29	29
Total -----		<hr/>
		428

	Loss		
By death -----	14		
By transfer -----	4		
By suspension -----	27		
By delinquent reports -----	24	4	
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	81		81
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Remaining in good standing Dec. 31, 1914		16	347

Sheridan Post No. 25, Georgetown, was lost to this Department before the 31st of December 1913 for the reason for that term, only two members were reported. The three remaining delinquent Posts represent a loss of 23 members.

In F. C. and L.,

J. S. DUNLAP,

Assistant Adjutant.

Report referred to Council of Administration.

Dallas, Texas, May 7th, 1915.

Comrade Robert McCormick, Department Commander,
Grand Army of the Republic.

Comrade:

I herewith submit my report as Assistant Q. M. General,
Department of Texas, Grand Army of the Republic:

Receipts.

From Calvin R. Hubbard, former Assistant Q. M.	
General -----	\$192.93
Supplies sold -----	11.60
Per Capita Tax -----	215.80
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	\$420.33

Disbursements

For stamps -----	\$ 12.85	
For stationery -----	6.75	
For printing Gen. Ord. -----	11.25	
For printing Journal 29th Encampment ---	45.00	
For supplies National Headquarters -----	9.70	
For Per Capita Tax, National -----	12.50	
Expenses, Detroit -----	2.50	
Fo Drayage -----	2.97	
For Telegrams -----	1.91	
Encampment Badges -----	9.50	
For Salary -----	100.00	
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	\$214.93	\$214.93
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Balance -----		\$205.40

In F. C. & L.,
J. S. DUNLAP,
Assistant Q. M.

Approved by Council of Administration.

**REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION ON
THE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS OF THE
A. A. G. AND Q. M. G.**

Dallas, Texas, May 8, 1915.

To the Department Commander, Officers and Members Department of Texas, G. A. R.

We most respectfully report that we have examined the accounts of the Asst. A. A. G. and Asst. Q. M. G., and find them correct.

W. F. CONNER,
MAX HART,
A. I. LOCKWOOD,
D. WAGNER,
H. W. NYE.

Dallas, Texas, May 1th, 1915.

Resolved, That so much of the resolution introduced by Comrade W. H. Christian, at the State Encampment held at Fort Worth, in April last, as refers to non-publishing of the Journal of succeeding Encampments, and adopted at that time, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Second. That the Assistant Adjutant General, be and is hereby instructed to have printed in pamphlet form, not less than three hundred copies of the proceedings of this Encampment and that he be further instructed to distribute the copies of said Journal to the different Posts throughout the State, prorata, in accordance with the membership of the various Posts.

Third. That the sum of forty dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of the general fund of the Department, to defray the expense of printing and distributing said Journals.

A. I. LOCKWOOD,
Of Ord. Post No. 3.
W. F. CONNER,
Oglesby Post No. 6.

Report received and adopted.

Comrades:

Your committee appointed to frame resolutions on the death of our three Post Department Commanders, since our last meeting, beg to offer the following:

Comrade T. M. Wright died Aug. 25th, 1914, at his home in Denison where he was a highly respected citizen. He was a soldier of high record in the 2nd Illinois Cavalry, and served his country with great credit to himself and the flag. His record as a Grand Army Comrade is second to none and he was held in such great esteem by the Comrades of this Department that he was made our Commander in 1908, which position he filled to the uplifting of our Department.

Comrade P. B. Hunt died April 5th, 1915, at his home at Dallas, Texas, where he was one of the most prominent and respected citizens, where just prior to his death and for some years he held a position of great trust and responsibility under the Government of the United States. He was a galant soldier during the war and was Lieutenant Colonel of the 4th Kentucky Infantry. He was an exemplary Comrade of the Grand Army and in 1901 he was elected as Commander of our Department, and won the love and esteem of his Comrades by his many acts of F., C. & L.

Comrade C. R. Hubbard died at his home in Lampasas, April 30, 1915, where he was a prominent and highly respected citizen. He was a galant soldier of the 6th Wisconsin and rendered splendid service to his country under Old Glory; and in 1909 he was elected Commander of this Department because of his able, devoted and splendid service rendered at all times and because of the F., C. & L. esteem in which he was held by all his Comrades.

In the death of these Comrades every Comrade of our Department has lost three of our best supports—and each city where they lived they have lost their most highly respected citizens and worthy patriots. These gallant defenders of the Union in the days of its peril have taken up

their line of march to "Fame's eternal camping ground," and if their spirits hover about us today they must be filled with gladness, and could they but speak they would say God bless your work of F., C. & S., and bid us join them when our work is done.

We are consoled by the fact that these three most honored Comrades lived to a good age and lived to enjoy the fruits of their labors and to see this people reunited and our country made glorious by a heroism and a patriotism—in which they each had a part—that will live in the hearts of the American people down to the remotest generation.

We'll hide their loving memory in our hearts;
We'll follow in the pathway that they trod;
We'll make each day another step upon
The stairway leading up to them and God.

Resolved that the sympathy and condolence of this Encampment be extended to the families of each of these, our Comrades, and we mourn with them the loss of three of our grandest Comrades, and let us so conduct our lives that we may join them when we are called upon to cross the river and join them on the other side.

JNO. W. PARKS,
B. F. CAVINS,
C. S. BRODBENT,
W. O. KRETSINGER,
W. F. CONNER.

Report received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Dallas, Texas, May 7th, 1915.

The Council of Administration have had so little business during the term of our office, that it is only as a matter of form that any report is made.

The only matter brought to our attention was the voting

for time and place to hold this Encampment; this we did by mail. The result was to hold the Encampment in the city of Dallas on May 7-8.

W. F. CONNER,
A. I. LOCKWOOD,
D. L. WAGNER,
MAX HART,
H. W. NYE.

May 8, 1915.

ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT OF G. A. R. CLOSED.

Resolution Adopted Opposing Permanent Meeting Place.

Officers Are Elected by This Body and Woman's

Relief Corps Also—Delegates Selected.

The Thirtieth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic and Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Texas, which began in Dallas Friday, adjourned finally at 5 p. m. The G. A. R. passed a resolution opposing the movement which has been started by the posts of the East and North to establish a permanent place for holding the annual national encampment.

While nothing has been said as to where Eastern and Northern posts wish the national encampments held, the members of the Department of Texas take it for granted that they have Washington, D. C., in mind. The resolution sets forth that the Department of Texas is opposed to the establishment of a permanent place of meeting at this time, and that if a place should be selected in the future it should be in the Middle West.

The Grand Army department elected officers as follows: C. S. Broadbent, San Antonio, Department Commander; M. B. Young, Weatherword, Senior Vice Commander; A. McWhirk, Dallas, Junior Vice Commander; Dr. H. Helbing, Dallas, Medical Director; the Rev. B. F. Cavins, Dallas, Department Chaplain; Martin Ballwig, Cedar Hill, Delegate at Large to the National Encampment; C. A. Cahoon, Temple, Delegate to the National Encampment; alternates, T. U. Johnson, Paris, and F. Van Devert, Carizzo Springs; W. F. Conner, Dallas; Max Hart, Houston; Edwin Loomis, San

Antonio, D. Wagner, Denison and A. I. Lockwood, San Antonio, Council of Administration.

The Woman's Relief Corps elected officers as follows: Mrs. Verna S. Irwin, Denison, President; Mrs. Maud Nolan, Dallas, Senior Vice President; Mrs. Nora Buelow, Fort Worth, Junior Vice President; Mrs. Anna Fitzgerald, Denison, Treasurer; Mrs. Linda Lyman, Houston, Department Chaplain; Maud Green, Houston; Helen Peabody, Corpus Christi; Anna Loomis, San Antonio; Heimil McCullough, Dallas, and Jennie O'Dowd, Fort Worth, Executive Board.

The two bodies held joint installation ceremonies in Carpenters' Hall in the afternoon. W. F. Conner officiated as installing officer for the Grand Army, and Mrs. Lizzie Durham of Dallas, Past Department President, for the Relief Corps.

Invitation by A. I. Lockwood to hold next State Encampment in San Antonio, accepted in joint session.

The Committee on Courtesies offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this Encampment is most cordially extended to the Dallas Chamber of Commerce for the use of their auditorium, in which our meetings are held, and the many other courtesies shown the Grand Army.

We desire to express our appreciation of the Dallas press, especially the Dallas Morning News, Daily Times-Herald and the Evening Journal, for their courteous notices of our meetings. The Southland Hotel, through its genial manager, J. B. Lucas, merits our sincere thanks for courtesies shown our comrades and the Woman's Relief Corps.

To the Hon. Mr. Winfrey, City Commissioner, who so ably represented the Mayor in welcoming the Grand Army to the city of Dallas, we thank him sincerely, and wish to say that he will always be a welcome visitor to our Encampments.

W. F. CONNER,
JNO. W. PARKS,
B. F. CAVINS.

ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT OF G. A. R., DEPARTMENT
OF TEXAS AND WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

Joint Sessions Held—Welcomed by R. L. Winfrey and
W. F. Conner.

UNOFFICIAL

The Thirtieth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic and Women's Relief Corps of the Department of Texas began in Dallas yesterday. The two bodies held a joint opening session in the auditorium of the Chamber of Commerce at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Of about five hundred veterans of the Union Army in the department, seventy-five of them attended the opening meeting. The Relief Corps was represented by about fifty. The visitors were welcomed to the city by Police and Fire Commissioner R. L. Winfrey. W. F. Conner welcomed them on the part of the local G. A. R. Post. R. McCormick, Department Commander, responded for the G. A. R. and Mrs. Hattie S. Jack, Department President for the Relief Corps, for the women.

In the afternoon the G. A. R. held a business session at the Chamber of Commerce, and the Relief Corps in Carpenters' Hall. Both sessions were behind closed doors. At these meetings the reports of the officers and committees were received. At 4 o'clock both meetings adjourned and the veterans and ladies proceeded in a street car to St. Patrick's Catholic Church on South Harwood, where the Relief Corps presented a department flag, 4x8 feet in dimensions, to St. Patrick's Parish School. The presentation speech was made by Mrs. Malinda Rainey of Denison, patriotic instructor, and the response by the Rev. Father P. H. Donohoe, pastor of St. Patrick's Church. The flag was hoisted by the pupils on a staff that had been raised in the school yard in advance of the arrival of the Grand Army people.

Visitors Entertained.

The visitors were entertained by the ladies of the local Relief Corps at a reception in the parlors of the Southland Hotel last night. The program follows:

Piano solo—Miss Margaret Lang.

Vocal solo—Mrs. Mamie Folsom Wynne.

Reading—Miss Margaret Steere.

Violin solo—Miss Lucile Dinkelspeil, with Mrs. W. J. Fried as accompanist.

Reading—Miss Lida Jean Houghton.

Vocal solo—Miss Bessie Newland, with Miss Genevieve Moore as accompanist.

On the 8th, 1 p. m., the ladies of the local W. R. C. gave a luncheon at the Southland Hotel to all members of the Grand Army and W. R. C. attending the Convention, about two hundred being served, all of whom expressed much joy and appreciation at being so royally entertained.

Inspected New Jail.

At 8 o'clock Saturday morning the visitors inspected the new criminal court house and the new jail. In the forenoon both bodies elected officers and in the afternoon held joint installation ceremonies in Carpenters' Hall. The retiring Department officers are R. McCormick, Dallas, Department Commander; C. S. Broadbent, San Antonio, Senior Vice Commander; Captain Robins, Fort Worth, Junior Vice Commander; J. S. Dunlap, Dallas, Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster general. The retiring officers of the Women's Relief Corps are Mrs. Hattie S. Jack, President; Mrs. Sarah Davis, Junior Vice President; Mrs. Verna Irvin, Senior Vice President; Mrs. Francis Manchester, Secretary; Mrs. Malinda Rainey, Patriotic Instructor; Lizzie E. Deerham, Inspector; Emma Dunlap, I. and I. Officer; Maude Nolan, Press Correspondent.

DECEASED

Past Department Commanders of Texas

1885. W. D. Wylie, Encampment at Dallas.....Deceased
1886. O. T. Lyon, Encampment at DallasDeceased
1887. W. H. Sinclair, Encampment at Galveston.....Deceased
1888. J. C. DeGress, Encampment at Austin.....Deceased
1889. A. G. Malloy, Encampment at Fort Worth.....Deceased
1890. A. K. Taylor, Encampment at San Antonio.....Deceased
1897. M. W. Mann, Encampment at Dallas.....Deceased
1892. O. G. Peterson, Encampment at El Paso.....Deceased
1894. R. M. Moore, Encampment at Dublin.....Deceased
1896. Geo. W. McCormick, Encampment at Dallas.....Deceased
1899. Jno. Roach, Encampment at Denison.....Deceased
1900. Chas. B. Peck, Encampment at San Antonio.....Deceased
1901. P. B. Hunt, Encampment at Galveston.....Dallas, Texas
1902. C. C. Haskell, Encampment at Beaumont.....Deceased
1903. John H. Bolton, Encampment at Dallas.....Deceased
1905. E. A. Russell, Encampment at Dallas.....Deceased
1908. T. M. Wright, Encampment at San Antonio.....Denison, Texas
1909. Calvin R. Hubbard, Encampment at Denison.....Lampasas, Texas

Roll of the Dead

W. S. Hancock Post No. 2, Galveston.

Houc Marco, Landsman U. S. N..... Feb. 28, 1914
James S. Cramer, Co. D..... Aug. 8, 1914
James Rogers, Q. M. U. S. N..... Sept. 13, 1914

E. O. C. Ord. Post No. 3, San Antonio.

Charles Hogg, Private, Co. H, 2 U. S. Cav..... Jan. 14, 1914
Charles Mellvill, Private, Co. F, 1 Ill. Cav..... Jan. 13, 1914
E. D. Roberts, Private Co. H, 16 Wis. Inf..... Jan. 8, 1914
Bentley Isaac, Musician, Co. G, 16 Kan. Cav..... Nov. — 1914
O. W. Brown, Private, Co. F, 25 Mass. Inf..... July 11, 1914
G. W. Hoeffert, Private, Co. A, 192 N. Y. Inf..... Sept. 1, 1914

Parmley Post No. 4, Fort Worth.

William Vincent Jan. —, 1914

Lyon Post No. 5, Denison.

T. M. Wright, Capt. Co. H, 2 Ill. Cav..... Aug. 25, 1914

Richard Oglesby Post No. 6, Dallas.

W. H. McDill, Lieut. Co. I, 22 Ill. Inf..... Jan. 3, 1914
John Galvin, Private, Co. C, 4 U S. Cav..... March 3, 1914
Theo. Hitchcox, 2 Lieut., Co. B, 10 N. Y. Cav..... Jan. 2, 1914
W. C. Bovender, Corp. Co. D, 3 N. C. Inf..... Jan. 23, 1914
R. N. Shaw, Private, Co. G, 21 Mass. Inf..... May 13, 1914
H. G. Niblo, Corp., Co A, 1 Ga Inf..... June 30, 1914
W. D. Mackey, Co. B, 136 Ill. Inf..... Aug. 25, 1914
J. M. Stotler, Private, Co. F, 138 Pa. Inf..... Nov. 5, 1914

Geo. B. McClellan Post No. 9, Houston.

Samuel Moyer, Private, Co. E, 76 Ill. Inf..... May —, 1914
Wm. Stodart, Private, Co. H, 42 Ill. Inf..... Dec. 18, 1914

Emmitt Crawford Post No. 19, El Paso.

Patrick Durrack, Private, Co. C, 66 Ohio Inf..... Dec. 24, 1913
C. H. Cole, Private, Co. H 28 Penn. Inf..... Sept. 7, 1914
W. T. Bairo, Lieut., Co. G, 40 Iowa Inf..... Oct. 26, 1914

U. S. Grant Post No. 45, Weatherford.

F. J. Penalnd, 65 Ohio Inf..... April 3, 1914
