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ROLL OF PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS

1885W. D. Wyley, Dallas	Deceased
1886O. T. Lyon, Dallas	Deceased
1887W. H. Sinclair, Galveston	Deceased
1888J. C. DeGrass, Austin	Deceased
1889A. G. Malloy, Fort Worth	Deceased
1890A. K. Taylor, San Antonio	
1891M. W. Mann, Dallas	
1892O. G. Peterson, El Paso	
1893J. W. Parks, Denison	
1894R. M. Moore, Dublin	
1895W. W. Bostwick, WacoTransfer	
1896Geo. W. McCormick, Dallas	
1897Ed N. Ketchum, Houston	
1898W. F. Conner, Austin	
1899John Roach, Denison	
1900Charles B. Peck, San Antonio	
1901P. B. Hunt, Galveston	
1902	
1903 John H. Bolton	Dallas, Deceased
1904John L. Boyd, San Antonio	Dallas, Texas
1905E. A. Russell, Dallas	Deceased
1906H. W. Harvey, Dallas	Deceased
1907L. L. Whitaker, Dallas	Deceased
1908T. M. Wright, San Antonio	Deceased
1909Calvin R. Hubbard, Denison	Deceased
1910J. S. Dunlap, Fort Worth	Dallas, Texas
1911W. O. Kretsinger, Dallas	Deceased
1912E. P. Brown, Corpus Christi	
1913 Sidney Tuttle, San Antonio	
1914Robt. McCormick, Fort Worth	
1915 C. S. Brodbent, Dallas	
1916	Deceased
1917M. B. Young, Dallas	Weatherford, Texas
1918Anson Miller, Fort Worth	Anahuac, Texas
1919Edward Loomis, Houston	San Antonio, Texas

OFFICERS ELECTED AT 35th ENCAMPMENT GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS AT SAN ANTONIO, MARCH 22 and 23, 1920.

Department Commander, Max Hart, No. 309 Travis St., Houston.

S. V., J. S. Ewing, 337 Buckingham St., San Antonio.

J. V., Byron P. Droune, El Paso.

Chaplain, Willis Weaver, Houston.

Surgeon, J. C. Schutte, Eagle Pass.

Delegate at large, A. Rockhold, Dallas

Alternate at large, Nathan Underwood, San Antonio.

Delegate, H. Alexander, Denison.

Alternate, J. C. Bump, Floresville.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

G. E. Algiar, Fort Worth.

William Kelly, Brownsville.

A. Rockhold, Dallas.

W. H. Blake, Houston.

Alvin Mosher, San Antono.

Ed N. Ketchum, Asst. Adjutant General and Asst. Q. M. General, 1605 33rd St., Galveston.

Headquarters

DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

GENERAL ORDERS-No. 4.

1—The Department Commander by the advice of the Council of Administration, hereby names the time and place of holding the THIRTY FIFTH, Department Encampment, to wit., March 22, 1920. At San Antonio.

This early date being named because of its concidence with the arrival of the Commander in Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic in this City on that day, and believing it will be gratifying to all the parties concerned to thus merge those two important events.

- 2—In view of the unsettled status of the Railroads of the country just now it is thought improbable that reduced rates can be obtained at this time, however an earnest effort will be made to that end.
- 3—It is desired to emphasize the importance of economy on this occasion, being a member of E. O. C. Ord Post myself under whose auspices this encampment is to be held and knowing its financial limitations, I realize that many of the expensive features of our entertainments of former years will necessarily have to be sharply eliminated, devoting the time of this Encampment strictly to the business of our order.

4—In an interview with the efficient President of the Woman's Relief Corps, Mrs. Comstock, she assures me that she unreservedly approves of the plan above stated, and pledges her hearty cooperation therewith.

5—A later order will be forthcoming in which will be given more fully the information as to Hall, Headquarters, Programme, Etc.

Official:

EDWARD LOOMIS,

J. S. EWING,

Department Commander.

Asst. Adjt. Genl.

The thirty-fifth annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Texas, has just closed, and it is the unanimous opinion of all those present that it was the most, or one of the most, satisfactory sessions ever held in Texas. There were three things that most certainly contributed to that end. First, the excellent weather, delightfully cool and comfortable. Then the unusual liberal reduction in railroad fare which we hardly hoped to secure, although an earnest effort in that direction had been promised. And the presence of the National Commander in Chief, was a drawing card. Altogether it seemed to put the Comrades and our auxiliary forces, the LADIES, in line with the true spirit of our order, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty. There seemed to be no grouches in the assembly, all seeming to take inspiration from the words in the Commander's address, when he said, there should be no rivalry between Comrades except that noble ambition of who can best work and who best agree. And so, pursuant to the call sent out in General Orders Uo. 4 the Grand Army of the Republic in the State of Texas convened at Turner Hall, March 22nd, 1920, at 10 o'clock A. M., under the auspices of E. O. C. Ord Post which was opened in due form by Post Commander Sickles. A recess was taken to listen to the Mayor deliver his address of welcome, which was responded to by Post Commander Charles Sickles in a most pleasing and delightful manner. The National Anthem, 'AMERICA," was then sung by the audience, after which the Department Chaplain offered up a most eloquent Invocation. The gavel being turned over to the Department Commander, the 35th annual Encampment was in full swing. The following is the Roll:

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

Edward Loomis, Department Commander	San Antonio
A. Rockbold, S. V. Department Commander	Dallas
William Blake, J. V. Department Commander	Houston
Willis Weaver, Department Chaplain	Houston
A. W. Acheson, Department Medical Director	Denison

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

H. W. Nye, Fort Worth; R. McCormick, Dallas; Alvin Mosher, San Antonio; D. Wagner, Denison; E. Gruvis, Galveston; A. Rockhold, Dallas; Wm. Blake, Houston; E. Loomis, San Antonio; J. S. Ewing, San Antonio.

Past Department Commanders.

E. N. Ketchum, Galveston; J. L. Boyd, Dallas; J. S. Dunlap, Dallas; E. P. Biown, Fort Worth; R. McCormick, Dallas; C. S. Brodbent, San Antonio; M. B. Young, Weatherford; A. Miller, Anahuac.

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

E. N. Ketchum, Commander; G. E. Clawson, S. V.; R. Eaton, J. V.; A. Miller, Chaplain; E. Gruis, Q. M.; Past Commanders, E. U. Ketchum, E. Gruis, W. H. Boyd, C. H. Clawson.

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

C. Sickles, Commander; N. Underwood, S. V.; A. H. Moeglin, J. V.; R. B. Cowles, Chaplain; J. S. Ewing, Q. M.; Representatives, M. H. Redwood, T. Wilson, N. Underwood, J. C. Bump; Alternates, G. Lough, J. A. Farmer, J. C. Bump.

Past Post Commanders.

M. H. Redwood, J. C. Schutte, A. Mosher, A. W. Robbins, L. Garza, N. Underwood, Ed Mayers, Ed Loomis, C. Sickles, C. S. Brodbent, J. A. Biggar.

Parmley Post No. 4, Fort Worth.

C. Waterman, Commander; J. E. McWhirter, S. V.; J. M. Hensley, J. V.; T. G. Bound, Q. M.; E. P. Bruen, Surgeon; J. Gold, Chaplain; A. D. Palmer, O. D.; Past Commanders, H. W. Nye, M. B. Young, G. E. Algair, J. T. Casey, T. G. Bound,

Nathaniel Lyon Post No 5, Denison.

D. L. Wagner, Post Commander; S. E. Wartz, S. V.; Chas. Klein, J. V.; A. W. Acheson, Surgeon; F. Michels, Chaplain; H. Alexander, Q. M.; B. Daniels, O. D.; C. Eldridge, O. G.

Representatives, J. H. Lunn, F. Hurst; Alternates, C. F. Henley, B. Perkins; Past Commanders, A. W. Atcheson, D. L. Wagner, L. B. Moore, S. E. Wartz, B. Daniels, J. H. Dunn, F. Michels, C. Klein.

Richard J. Oglesby Post No. 6, Dallas.

- G. W. Adleta, Post Commander; I. M. Taylor, S. V.; M. L. Mullen, J. V.; W. N. Hathaway, Surgeon; S. G. Morrow, Chaplain; J. S. Dunlap, Q. M.
- J. P. Clark, O. G., Representatives; D. B. Atwell, G. W. Loomis, W. O. Brown. Alternates, G. Powel, J. T. Jenkins, J. T. Carter, Past Commanders, G A. Knight.

J. L. Boyd, J. P. Clark, J. S. Dunlap, A. Rockbold, R. McCormick, M. L. Mullen, W. M. Galbreath, R. P. Cooper, T. W. Woodcock, F J Yougling, W. N. Hathaway.

George B. McCellan Post No. 9, Houston.

Max Hart, P. C.; J. H. Short, S. V.; H. Hume, J. V.; R. A. Blosom, Surgeon; W. M. Hunt, Chaplain; J. Sherer, O. D.; John Taylor, O. G.; Representatives, G. H. Philips, R. A. Bolscom.

Past Commanders, Max Hart, G. Smith, J. H. Agen, C. F. Leper.

Emmett Crofford Post No. 19, El Paso.

C. S. Woodworth, P. C.; T. F. Holgate, S. V.; W. K. Smith, J. V.; E. E. Clayton, Surgeon; E. Love, Chaplain; F. E Tusten, Q M.; Z. S. Johnson, O. D.; E. P. Gross, O. G.; Representatives, B. P. Brown, E. Love; Alternates, C. S. Woodworth, E. P. Gross; Past P. C., J. H. Ware, F. E. Tusten.

Phil Kearney Post No. 20, Lampasas.

J. H. Rosa, S. V.; Representatives, E. McClintoc; Past P. C., J. H. Rosa, W. H. Weber.

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

T. S. Whitlock, P. C.; M. Davidson, Chaplain; T. U. Johnson, Q. M.; T. J. Webb, O. G. Past P. C., T. S. Whitlock, M. Davidson, T. U. Johnson.

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

J. H. C. White, Past Commander.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER EDWARD LOOMIS' OPENING ADDRESS.

COMRADES—This 35th Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Texas, brings to a close 35 years of our life's work, and the work of this organization. And as the years roll by the world and especially our own beloved country realize more and more the magnificent accomplishment of the Grand Army of the Republic, who are banded together for the purpose of giving aid and assistance to needy comrades, their widows and orphans, and to keep the fires of patriotism brightly burning on the altar of our country. We have abundant cause to congratulate ourselves for duty well performed. You have shown to the world that YE ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH. Having conquered a rebellion in your own country the magnitude of of which war the world had never seen up to that time, and after accomplishing that titanic job you quietly laid down your arms and went back to the plow, the shop, or the office, and took up the thread of your countrie's affairs, shouldering its weighty responsibilities without a murmur. AND YOU MADE GOOD. Notwithstanding that terrible four years, that gruelling four years of war, in which you fought your country's enemies. Lacking almost all the appliances the modern soldier now has for his comfort health and safety, and all this for the compensation of from eight to sixteen dollars per month. Never a thought, much less a clamor for a BONUS, nor even a pension was dreamed of except that which was obtained under the general laws for almost THIRTY YEARS after the war, and then was only allowed at the monthly rate of \$12 per month.

Yes, my Comrades, you have abundant reason to be proud of your record. You not only fought your country's enemies to a successful finish, but it was the veteran of the Civil War who has administered this Government for FIFTY YEARS after the war with the result you see today—we are the richest and most powerful Nation today on this whirling sphere we call the earth. And well may you say to your grandchildren who just now, with prentice hand they are taking over these responsibilities as we relinquish them. BEWARE, proceed with care for the foundation of this collosal structure is cemented with the blood of your ancestors.

My Comrades of this Department, it has not always been my privilege to have been associated with you in this great work. It was only about fifteen years ago a tide of fortuitous circumstances landed me in your midst where took up in an humble way this work with you as it presented itself and I feel that we have worked profitably together. You sought me out in my humble sphere and conferred this great honor upon me which has brought its unusual responsibilities, which at times has been very trying. With my anxiety to serve the majority with my best ability I have encountered the bitter ashes of a disappointed minority. Notwithstanding these transient but unpleasant episodes, which I have no doubt could have been avoided by a more adroit diplomat. I feel that I have spent a profitable year. If we would practice the noble sentiment adopted by the Grand Army of the Republic at its beginning, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, it would cure most of our grievances, and let our ambition be THIS, WHO CAN BEST WORK AND WHO BEST AGREE. I with a goodly number of the comrades from this Department attended the National Encampment at Columbus, Ohio, last fall, and was much gratified at the comparatively good showing made by them. The allied Woman's organizations were also creditably represented, especially the Woman's Relief Corps, which was led by their President, Mrs. Comstock. Death has not spared this Department in the past year, and among the names of those which appeared on that roll of Honor I was pained to note that of C. A. Cahoon, a Past Department Commander; also that of E. J. Kilmer, that indefatigable worker of Corpus Christi. And even Ince the convening of this encampment a message from Fort Worth flashed over the wire that I. W. Rouse had falled a victim of the grim destroyer. And now my Comrades I have arrived at the point where I surrender the office with all its responsibilities you entrusted to my keeping a year ago, and I beg of you to view with kindness my many shortcomings and imperfections, and I thank you for the many kindly courtesies you have kindly shown me during my term of office, and I assure you that I entertain a hope that in my successor you may realize a more competent and worthy Standard-bearer.

EDWARD LOOMIS.

REPORT OF ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1919.

To EDWARD LOOMIS, Department Commander Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Texas:

Sir and Comrade—I have the honor to present the following consolidated report of the Posts and Membership in this Department for the year ending December 31st, 1919.

	Posts	Mem	bership
Last Report	11	252	
Gain	00	12	264
Loss	1		14
Remaining in good standing	10		250

I also have the honor to report as Assistant Q. M. General of this Department as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Check from Dunlap	\$159.28
Per capital tax, July	
Per capita tax, December	
Cash for supplies	
	\$319.08
Supplies as per itemized account	\$ 15.78
Per capita tax, National	
Postage, drayage and express as per items	
Printing	. 17.50
Telegram	
Salary	
Check to Dept. Commander National Headquarters expense	
Balance on hand	

· Respectfully submitted,

J. S. EWING, { Assistant Adjutant General. Assistant Q. M. General.

\$319.08

THE REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE ADJUTANT AND Q. M. GENERAL.

EDWARD LOOMIS, Commander G. A. R., Department of Texas:

We, the undersigned Committee, from the Council of Administration appointed to audit the books and accounts of the Adjutant and Quartermaster General have the honor to report that we have carefully audited the same and find them correct. And not only correct, but we are compelled to say, that we find them in the finest shape, and the most accurate books we have ever had the pleasure of auditing. And again we compliment him on his beautiful work.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY W. NYE, EDWARDS GRUIS, W. H. BLAKE.
Members of the Council of Administration.

The Assistant Adjutant and Quartermaster General thanked the committee for their flattering compliment on his modest endeavor, and while on his feet felt called upon to say that in as much as there had been some fault found with the early date fixed for holding this Encampment, the responsibility having been placed at the door of the Department Commander, he wished to remind the Comrades that the source and initiative for this early call had been fully set forth in General Order No. 4, which had been promulgated only after the urgent request from prominent Comrades representing a majority of the Posts in the Department, and the request being signed by SIX of the nine members of the Council of Administration.

On motion of Ed N. Ketchum, the following resolutions were unanimously passed:

Whereas, it has pleased the Devine Commander to remove from this sphere of usefulness our Comrade and Past Department Commander C. A. (Del Cahoon, and

Whereas, It has been the time honored custom of this Department to take honorable notice of such sad event, therefore be it

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to draft suitable resolutions to his memory, and that said committee take unto their duties in addition to Comrade C. A. Cahoon; also E. J. Kilmer and I. W. Rouse, whose demise has been recently reported, and further be it

Resolved, That such resolutions contain the Military Civic and social records in so far as comports with the necessary brevity of the space allowed, and the Resolutions together with the pictures of the Comrades (if procurable) be printed in the Journal of the 35th Department Encampment, and a copy sent to the surviving members of their families.

The Commander appointed H. W. Nye, Captain Byron L. Crouch and Ed N. Ketchum, Commander Captain Crouch gave the Comrades the pleasure of listening to an eloquent and touching eulogy to Comrade Kilmer who recently died at Corpus Christi.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

Headquarters Department of Texas, G. A. R., office of Department Chaplain, Houston, Texas, March 22, 1920. Report for 1919. To Comrade Edward Loomis, Department Commander.

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

Number of Posts in Department, 11; I have reports from 9.

Number of Posts reporting Memorial services, 6.

Number of Posts attending services, 6.

Number of sermons preached to Posts, 3.

Number of sermons preached by Veterans, 1.

Number of sermons preached by Sons of Veterans, 1.

Number of Comrades present at such services, 99.

Memorial Day Services

Number of Posts observing Memorial day services, 9. (All that report)

Number of Comrades participating in Memorial day services, 139.

Number of cemeteries in which graves were decorated, 30.

Number of graves decorated, 3197.

Number of other organizations participating, 9.

Number of addresses delivered to Posts on Memorial day, 3.

Number of addresses delivered by Veterans, 2.

Number of addresses delivered by Sons of Veterans, 1.

Number of Posts having burial plots, 5. Two Posts have two each.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

WILLIS WEAVER.

Department Chaplain.

1020 Walker Avenue, Houston, Texas.

THE CAMP FIRE

The camp fire. On the evening of March 22nd was a very successful event. The Great Hall with the three adjoining rooms were filled to capacity. The Banquet Hall in which the Woman's Relief Corps had served their excellent meals to the Officers and members of the Encampment, was for the time abandoned, and a room more convenient to the auditorium was occupied for their use in dispensing their hospitality, which had now taken on the similitude of a hugh Punch-Bowl which seemed altogether fitting in view of the multitude which were to be served, and it was filled to overflowing and kept so to the end, being replenished as often as required by these indefatigable ladies of the

Woman's Relief Corps, may they live long and their tribe increase. The gallons of that delightful beverage which were consumed on that occasion is not known to this writer, denied its appearance on this page by the ladies themselves in the true spirit of hospitality.

The Commander in Chief declared he felt fine, and it was evident that he was enjoying himself which was a delight to his entertainers, he stated the trip had done him good, to the agreeable disappointment of his friends who thought his physical condition was not equal to the somewhat strenuous exertion incident to so long a journey, but he is delighted to be able to state that he has been absolutely benefited by it. And he is enthusiastic about San Antonio, thinks it is delightful, and with his reception here he is quite enthusiastic.

After the oration of the Commander in Chief, the recitations and music by local talent was more than satisfying, it was surprisingly good.

Colonel Millard F. Waltz, U. S. Army retired, placed E. O. C. Ord Post under additional obligations added to an already long score of the same sort by favoring the audience with one of his characteristic eloquent and patriotic addresses.

General D. S Stanley Circle Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the only Circle of this patriotic order in the State of Texas, was well represented at the Camp-Fire, and a most pleasing feature of the program was the presentation of Solid Gold, Grand Army of th Republic Pins. One to the Commander in Chief D. M. Hall, and one to Comrade Edward Loomis the retiring Department Commander. The presentation speech was made by Mrs. Sarah E. Fox, Past President of the Circle, who was escourted to the platform by a guard of honor consisting of Past Presidents of the Circle. And thus toward the 'wee smae' hours the Camp-Fire closed with happy Good Nights and I'll see you tomorrows.

THE NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

March 23, 10 o'clock a.m.—The Encampment was called to order by the Department Commander, and immediately proceeded to the Nomination and Election of Officers.

Comrade Weaver of Houston was recognized and placed in nomination Max Hart of Houston for Department Commander. Motion seconded by Nat Underwood of San Antonio. Comrade Algair of Fort Worth moved the rules be suspended and the A. A. Genl. cast the unanimous vote of the Encampment for Comrade Max Hart for Department Commander, the motion prevailed and the vote was so cast, and Comrade Max Hart was declared duly elected. The Commander elect then went to the platform and very heartily acknowledged the high compliment which had just been paid him, and promised that with the friendly aid

of the membership that he would devote his best energy to the service of the Department in Texas.

Comrade Blake of Houston being recognized placed in nomination for Senior Vice Commander, Comrade J. S. Ewing of San Antonio, which was seconded by Comrade Gruis of Galveston, and that the nominations be closed and the A. A. Genl. cast the unanimous vote of the encampment for Comrade Ewing for Senior Vice Commander of the Department of Texas, Comrade Ketchum who was assisting the Adjutant General put the motion, which was unanimous and cast the vote accordingly and Comrade Ewing was declared elected.

The election of Junior Vice Commander being next in order, Comrade J S. Ewing placed in nomination Byron P. Droune of El Paso for Junior Vice Commander, seconded by Comrade Ketchum, and a motion to close the nominations and the A. A. Genl. to cast the unanimous vote of the Encampment for the Nominee Motion prevailed and the vote was so cast and Comrade Bryon P. Droune was declared elected Junior Vice Commander of the Department of Texas.

The election of Chaplain now being in order, Comrade Algair placed in nomination Rev. Willis Weaver of Houston, the nomination being duly seconded the rules were suspended and the A. A. Genl. instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the Encampment for the Rev. Willis Weaver for Department Chaplain, and the vote was so cast and Commrade Weaver was declared elected.

For Surgeon General, Comrade J. C. Schutte, of Eagle Pass was nominated and duly seconded. The A. A. Genl. instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the Encampment for J. C. Schutte for Surgeon General of the Department of Texas. The vote being so cast Comrade Schutte, was declared duly elected.

The election of Delegates to the National Encampment, and their Alternates, came next. Comrade Charles Sickles put in nomination A. Rockhold of Dallas, for Delegate at large, to the National Encampment, the nomination being duly seconded by Comrade Ketchum and the A. A. Genl. instructed to cast the entire vote of the Encampment for Comrade Rockhold. The vote being so cast Comrade A. Rockhold was declared duly elected.

Alternate at large being next, Comrade Underwood was placed in nomination which nomination was duly seconded and the A. A. Genl. was instructed to cast the entire vote of the Encampment for Comrade Underwood. The vote being so cast Comrade Underwood was declared duly elected, Alternate at large to the next National Encampment.

Delegates to the National Convention being next, H. Alexander of Denison was placed in nomination, ad J. C. Blump of Floresville for alterate. The A. A. General was instructed to cast the entire vote of the Encampment for the comrades as nominated. The vote was so cast and H. Alexander of Denison was declared elected delegate to the Na-

tional Encampment and J. C. Bump of Floresville was declared elected alternate.

A committee was then appointed to select names and place them in nomination for the Council of Administration for the coming year, after due deliberation the committee made the following report:

COMMANDER! Agreeable to instructions, we your committee, have the honor to report that after due deliberation we have unanimously agreed upon the following named Comrades for the position of members of the COUNCIL of ADMINISTRATION for the coming year, to-wit. G. E. Al Algiar, Fort Worth; William Kelly, Brownsville; A. Rockhold, Dallas; W. H. Blake, Houston; Alvin Moshier, San Antonio.

Respectfully submitted,

ED. N. KETCHUM,
A. W. ROBBINS,
J. S. EWING, Committee.

The committee being discharged and there appearing no opposition to the names presented, the A. A. General was instructed to cast the entire vote of the Encampment for the Comrades as presented by the committee. The vote was so cast and the Comrades as named were declared duly elected members of the COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION of the Department of Texas for the coming year.

The Installation of the Officers elected was then in order and Comrade Ed N. Ketchum being the senior Past Department Commander present proceeded to his duties as Installing Officer, which he performed in a most impressive manner.

The Woman's Relief Corps then occupied the floor with their installation service which was very effective and entertaining.

Henry W. Nye of Fort Worth was then recognized and formally solicited the honor of entertaining the Department Encampment at Fort Worth under the auspices of Parmley Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and there being no competing bid the Department unanimously voted in favor of Comrade Nye's proposition. And this ended the 35th Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Texas. To meet at Fort Worth next year on a date to be fixed by a majority of the COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

RESOLUTION ON FULLER BILL.

The following resolution offered by Comrade George H. Clawson was unanimously adopted, to-wit:

Whereas, In view of the High Cost of Living, and the consequent suffering of many of the old veterans and the widows of veterans for lack of a sufficient amount of funds to purchase the commonest necessaries of life, in their old and helpless years, we the Civil War Veterans here assembled wish to dclare ourselves with such emphasis as we may be able to command in favor of the early passage of what is known as the Fuller Bill for the relief of such suffering as it may. Well knowing that it is not enough to make them comfortable, but realizing it is the best we can hope for under present conditions, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Adjutant is hereby instructed to place these, our sentiments, in the Journal of the proceedings of this Encampment, regretting that we cannot leave a more effective protest to the manifest injustice being done to these poor people who have offered their lives for the preservation of this Union.

This Resolution was adopted not only unanimously but by a rising vote.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Department Commander—

Your Committee on Resolutions beg leave to make the following report:

Whereas, E. O. C. Ord Post, Grand Army of the Republic of San Antonio, having not spared themselves in their efforts to make our visit to their city a real pleasure to all in attendance, and

Whereas, The Woman's Relief Corps, not forgetting the house-wifely instinct of their blessed sex, to provide from the larder such abundant supplies of the Commissaries as to keep the male contingent in good humor, as were proved each day by the most tempting and bountiful luncheons, not even forgetting the punch bowl without much punch however, but notwithstanding, it was certainly delicious. May the Lord bless them and may they live long and be happy.

And there were the ladies of the Grand Army present on all occasions like Providential sunbeams to make every one welcome and happy, and

Whereas, The San Antonio Express, the Evening News and the San Antonio Light having lent their valuable space in generous notices of this Encampment as to time and place, and thereby rendering us valuable service; be it

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Army of the Republic are due and are hereby tendered to the donors of all the above kindness and more than we are able to express, do we feel grateful.

(Signed)

COMMITTEE.

ACTION OF THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION on fund for printing the Journal of the 35th Department Encampment.

Headquarters G. A. R., Department of Texas.

We, the Council of Administration, Grand Army of the Republic Department of Texas, do hereby appropriate the sum of (\$75) seventy-five dollars, to be expended by J. S. Ewing, the retiring Adjutant and Quartermaster General, in having the Journal of the 35th Department Encampment printed, and if said amount should not be all expended for such purpose, the remainder shall be turned over to his successor in office. (Signed)

MAX HART, J. S. EWING, ALVIN MOSHER, A. ROCKHOLD, G. E. ALGIER, W. H. BLAKE, ED N. KETCHUM,

Council of Administration.

COMMITTEE REPORTS ON THE DEPARTMENT COMMANDER'S ADDRESS

Senior Vice Commander:

We the Committee on the Department Commander's Address beg to submit the following:

We find the address a worthy paper and we most heartily recommend that it be accepted as such and spread upon the minutes of this Encampment and printed in the Journal of its proceedings,

(Signed)

MAX HART, H. W. NYE, N. UNDERWOOD,

Committee.

A delegation from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic was then escorted to the platform by a committee appointed for that purpose. The delegation was lead by Mrs. Woodruff, of Oskaloosa, Iowa, who made a brief but eloquent address. This distinguished lady is here for the winter, and to visit her son who is a Major in the United States army and stationed at Fort Sam Houston.

CAHOON RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Edward Gruis and seconded by George Clawson.

Whereas, Comrade C. A. Cahoon died at his home in Temple on the 25th day of October, 1919, at the age of 76 years. C. A. (Del) Cahoon, the Past Commander of this Department was born in the State of New York, but at an early date moved to Wisconsin where he at the age of 18 enlisted August 7th, 1862, in Company A 22nd Wisconsin Infantry, serving in the western army until discharged for disability February 22nd, 1864. Came to Texas in the Seventies, took service with the I. & G. N. R. R., being a locomotive engineer, pulled passenger and speed trains on this road, from which he transferred to the

Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe, on which road he pulled passenger trains for over forty years, during which period he never had an accident, never injured a passenger or employe on the road, was never reprimanded nor ever received a demerit mark. He was at the head of the Grievance Committee of his fellow employes for many years during which time the Company and its employes settled their differences most smoothly, and to the interest of all concerned. Del Cahoon and his little wife reared several sons and daughters, each of whom has been a credit to their parents and an ornament to the community in which they lived. He was a member of W. S. Hancock Post No. 2, of Galveston, and at one time its Commander. At the 31st Encampment of this Department held in San Antonio in 1916, he was chosen Department Commander, and here again we are called upon to register his passing. In the muster-out of our Comrade C. A. (Del) Cahoon, the Grand Army of the Republic has lost one of its most loyal members, this Department a Past Commander's wise counsel, Hancock Post a tried and fraternal Comrade, the Railroad Fraternity a true warrior who knew the value of peace; and his loved family a devoted husband and father, the State a loyal citizen, the world one of natures noblemen, all having been bettered by Del Cahoon having lived, with all we mingle our regrets at his passing, asking our Heavenly Father to comfort the bereaved and receive into the Grand Army above the soul of our Comrade and friend.

Moved by Comrade Hart that this tribute be spread upon the minutes of the 35th Encampment, and a page be set aside in the Journal, having the picture, military and Grand Army record of the deceased. Adopted by a rising vote.

TRIBUTE TO E. J. KILMER.

Comrade Byron L. Crouch of E. J. Davis Post, Grand Army of the Republic, Corpus Christi, offered the following tribute to the memory of Comrade E. J. Kilmer, deceased.

Comrade E. J. Kilmer was born in Schoharie County, New York, November 26th, 1843, on a farm. He enlisted a private April 2, 1862, in Co. G, 14th U. S. Infantry, for the term of 3 years, a private, was discharged January 5th, 1865, from Co. G, 14th U. S. Infantry, as a private, on surgeon's certificate of disability. He died December 19th, 1919, at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Comrade Kilmer served in the clerical department in the army where he was considered a valuable man. As a Grand Army man he organized E. J. Davis Post at Corpus Christi, and was its Commander for 20 years. He was an indefatigable worker for the sick or distressed Comrades, and looked after the decent burial of all deceased Comrades who passed away in his jurisdiction and had their graves properly marked

with the Government headstones, performing all this labor at his own expense. And on each recurring Memorial Day Comrade Kilmerr saw that the graves were properly remembered, drawing no lines as to what war he served in only that he was a United States soldier. And those who were left to mourn the loss of such soldier found ready sympathy and material aid through his kindness and generosity. As a citizen he served his home city in various capacities, to the betterment of its government and the comfort of its citizens.

No history of Corpus Christi, the city of his adoption can ever be written completely without telling of his usefulness. The following verses were his favorite sentiments. The last one he composed himself.

There is a calm for those who weep a rest for weary pilgrims found They softly lie and sweetly sleep low in the ground, The storm that sweeps the winter's sky no more disturbs their deep repose

Than summer evening's latest sigh that shuts the rose.

I long to lay this aching head and painful heart beneath the soil.

To slumber in that dreamless bed, from all my toil.

I do not care for robes of white, for harp and music I've no zest

Nor gold-paved streets all shining bright, just give me rest.

On motion of Comrade Gruis, duly seconded, it was unanimously ordered that it be spread upon the minutes of the thirty-fifth Department Encampment, as a just and acceptable tribute to a worthy Comrade.

RESOLUTIONS IN MEMORY OF COMRADE I. W. ROUSE, PARMLEY POST, FORT WORTH.

Again we are called upon to close ranks by the death of our Comrade I. W. Rouse, of Parmley Post No. 4, Fort Worth, which occurred at his home on Sunday, March 21st, just as the Comrades of this Department were gathering for the 35th Encampment at San Antonio. Comrade Rouse was a native of Watertown, New York, where at the age of 18 he enlisted in B Co., 9th New York Infantry, serving three years and 10 months battling for the Union. He cast his lot with the citizens of Fort Worth some 43 years ago helping to organize its City Government by becoming a member of the First Board of Aldermen, in which capacity he assisted materially in the organization of the Public School system of Fort Worth, which will ever stand as a monument to his memory. He also was a charter member of St. Paul's Methodist Church, a member of the United Benevolent Association, and formerly a member of the Knights of Honor. Therefore be it

Resolved, That in the passing of our Comrade I. W. Rouse, the Grand Army of the Republic has lost a loyal and efficient Comrade. The City

of Fort Worth an upright and God-fearing citizen, and his family a loving husband and father. The sympathy of his Comrades assembled here is extended to this family in this their hour of bereavement, and our regrets to the City of Fort Worth over the loss of so stalwart a citizen, knowing that our Order in his passing, has lost from its counsels one of the wisest and staunchest Comrades. And be it further

Resolved, That these lines be spread upon the minutes of the 35th Department Encampment, Texas Grand Army of the Republic, and the Assistant Adjutant General is requested to transmit a copy to the head of the surviving family.

Adopted by a rising vote.

ROLL OF HONOR.

H. L. Brook, Co. H., 197th Pennsylvania Infantry, July 12th, 1919. Benjamin Isrigg, Co. E, 22nd Indiana Infantry, May 10th, 1919.

J. Larson, Co. H., 1st United States Cavalry, April 2nd, 1919.

H. M. Stille, United States Navy, February 3rd, 1919.

John Taylor, Co. C., 2nd Missouri Cavalry, July 30th, 1919.

James Wharton, Co. A, 88th Pennsylvania Infantry, July 14th, 1919.

J. Hardy, 1919.

W. H. Strauthers, 1919.

Charles Baggett, 1919.

John W. Parks, April 17th, 1919.

W. F. Conner, st Iowa Battery, 1919.

James G. Patten, o. G, 4th Tennessee Mountain Infantry, Sept. 1919.

C. A. Cahoon, Co. A, 22d Wiscinsin Infantry, Feb. 22, 1919.

A. J. Burkett, Co. E, 9th Missouri Ifantry, November 10th, 1919.

N. L. Mills, Co. I, 23rd Iowa Infantry, March, 1919.

J. J. Scholl, Co. F., 51st Pennsylvania Infantry, October 5, 1919.

J. L. Thompson, Heavy Artillery, January 31st, 1919.

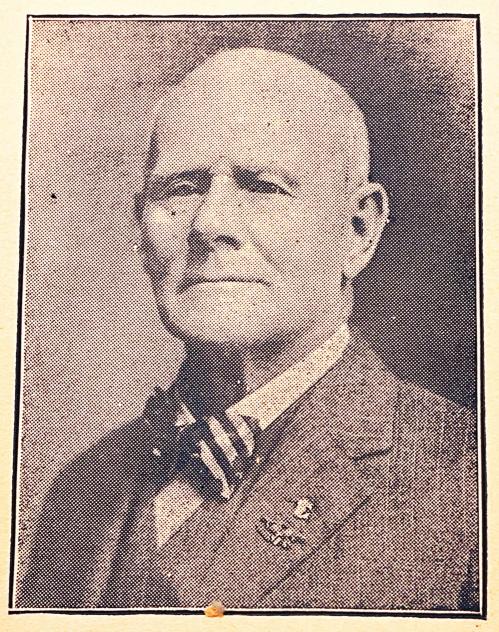
John P. Curran, Co. K, 18th Missouri Infantry, Jan. 11th, 1919.

Evan Waters, Co. G., 77th Pennsylvania Infantry, January 17th, 1919.

John Hall, September 14th, 1919.

E. J. Kilmer, December 19th, 1919.

IN MEMORIAM



Comrade C. A. (Del) Cahoon was a member of W. S. Hancock Post No. 2, Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Texas. He enlisted August 7th, 1862 a private in Company A, 22nd Wisconsin Infantry. Was discharged a private, February 22nd, 1864 on account of physical disability.

He was a locomotive engineer and coming to Texas soon after the war, engaged in that capacity for over 40 years for the I. & G. N. and Sante Fe. Although in the passenger service all that time he never injured a person or had a demerit mark.

He was elected department commander at the Annual Encampment Grand Army of the Republic at San Antonio 1915. Died at his home in Temple August 25, 1919.