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DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS

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—AND—

Thirty-fourth Convention
of their Auxiliary

The Woman's Relief Corps

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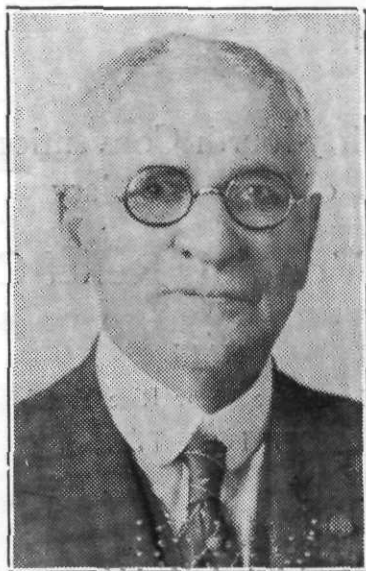
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**ROLL OF 38TH ANNUAL STATE ENCAMPMENT, DEPARTMENT
OF TEXAS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.**

Houston, Texas, May 16th, 17th and 18th, 1923.

OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT.

R. P. Cooper, Department Commander, Post 6, Dallas, Texas; W. H. Blake, Senior Vice-Commander, Post 9, Houston, Texas; Frank Small, Junior Vice-Commander, Post 3, San Antonio, Texas; Anson Miller, Department Chaplain, Post 2, Galveston, Texas (P. O. Address, Anahuac, Texas); Dr. A. W. Acheson, Medical Director, Post 5, Denison, Texas.

OFFICIAL STAFF.

J. S. Dunlap, Assistant Adjutant General and Quartermaster General, Dallas; C. S. Brodbent, Patriotic Instructor, San Antonio; Anson Miller, Department Chaplain, Galveston.

COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION.

Robert McCormick, Post 6, Dallas; Ed N. Ketchum, Post 2, Galveston; Byron P. Browne, Post 17, El Paso; John R. Gold, Post 4, Fort Worth; Dexter L. Wagner, Post 5, Denison.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Past Department Commanders.

Ed N. Ketchum, Galveston; John L. Boyd, Dallas; J. S. Dunlap, Dallas; Robert McCormick, Dallas; C. S. Brodbent, San Antonio; M. B. Young, Plainview; Anson Miller, Anahuac; Edward Loomis, San Antonio; Max Hart, Houston; G. E. Allgaier, Fort Worth.

OFFICERS, PAST POST COMMANDERS AND REPRESENTATIVES.

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

George H. Clawson, Commander; John Eave, Senior Vice-Commander; Anson Miller, Chaplain; Ed Gruis; Q. M. Past Post Commanders: Ed N. Ketchum, Geo. H. Clawson, Edward Gruis, Wm. H. Boyd, Eli J. Verbeck.

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

Charles Sickles, Commander; A. W. Robins, Senior Vice-Commander; P. J. Bowker, Junior Vice-Commander; George Elam, Surgeon; R. B. Cowles, Chaplain; J. S. Ewing, Q. M.; Edward Loomis, O. D.; Robert Brannon, O. G. Past Post Commanders: M. H. Redwood, L. Garza, J. C. Schutle. Nathan Underwood, Edward Mayers, C. S. Brodbent, Alvin Mosher, A. W. Robins, Edward Loomis, Charles Sickles. Representatives: Edward Loomis, M. H. Redwood, A. W. Robins; Alternates: N. Underwood, Robert Brannon, John N. Buckhannon.

Parmley Post No. 4, Fort Worth.

John M. Kenderdine, Commander; Manly Cox, Senior Vice-Commander; J. E. McWhirter, Junior Vice-Commander; A. D. Palmer, Surgeon; John R. Gold, Chaplain; G. E. Allgaier, Q. M.; C. C. Cox, O. D.; N. F. Clerander, O. G. Past Post Commanders: H. W. Nye, M. B. Young, John R. Gold, G. E. Allgaier, J. C. McWhirter. Representatives: H. W. Nye, G. E. Allgaier.

Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 5, Denison.

D. L. Wagner, Commander; S. E. Wertz, Senior Vice-Commander; Charles Kline, Junior Vice-Commander. Past Post Commanders: J. H. Dunn, S. E. Wertz, Charles Kline, D. L. Wagner, E. Farley. Representatives: W. A. McKenson; Alternate, Dick Terrill.

Richard J. Oglesby Post No. 6, Dallas.

J. M. Naylor, Commander; A. W. Adleta, Senior Vice-Commander; F. J. Yingling, Junior Vice-Commander; Charles W. Brown, Chaplain; R. McCormick, O. D.; T. W. Woodcock, O. G.; J. S. Dunlap, Q. M. Past Commanders: John L. Boyd, J. W. Ayers, J. P. Clark, J. S. Dunlap, Robert McCormick, T. W. Woodcock, F. J. Yingling, R. P. Cooper, J. M. Naylor, A. W. Adleta. Representatives: Charles W. Brown, J. L. King; Alternates, George Loomis and W. O. Brown.

George B. McClellan Post No. 9, Houston.

Max Hart, Commander; O. Aldridge, Senior Vice-Commander; H. Hume, Junior Vice-Commander; R. A. Balcom, Surgeon; Wm. Hunt, Chaplain; John Shearer, Q. M.; Wm. H. Blake, O. D.; W. H. Lucas, O. G. Past Post Commanders: R. A. Balcom, Geo. Smith, H. Hume. Representatives: J. W. Barnes, Geo. Smith; Alternates. Wm. H. Snow and T. Reaves.

Emmitt Crawford Post No. 19, El Paso.

Byron P. Brown, Commander; C. S. Woodworth, Senior Vice-Commander; W. K. Smith, Junior Vice-Commander; E. E. Clayton, Surgeon; S. T. Farrier, Chaplain; F. E. Tusten, Q. M.; Z. S. Johnson, O. D.; J. A. Winram, O. G. Past Post Commanders: C. S. Woodworth, J. H. Ware, S. T. Farrier, T. E. Tuste. Representatives:

Phil Kearney Post No. 20, Lampasas.

John A. Rose, Commander; E. E. Ramsdell, Chaplain; W. H. Webber, Q. M.; Dr. Ed McClintock, Surgeon. Past Post Commanders: J. H. Rose, W. H. Webber. Representatives: E. E. Ramsdell, Dr. Ed McClintock.

George W. Wright Post No. 26, Paris.

T. S. Whitlock, Commander; M. Davidson, Chaplain; T. U. Johnson, Q. M.; T. J. Webb, O. G. Past Post Commanders: T. S. Whitlock, M. Davidson, T. U. Johnson. Representative, T. J. Webb.

E. J. Davis Post No. 54, Co:pus Christi.

J. H. C. White, Commander; George W. Darby, Chaplain. Past Post Commander, Green B. Holden.

**MINUTES OF THE 38TH ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT, DEPARTMENT
OF TEXAS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.**

Houston, Texas, May 16, 1923.

2 P. M.

Encampment called to order and opened by R. P. Cooper, Department Commander.

Invocation by Anson Miller, Chaplain.

Reading of Roll by J. S. Dunlap, Assistant Adjutant General. Adopted.

Rules suspended and Wm. H. Floore obligated as a member of George B. McClellan Post No. 9, by Post Commander Max Hart.

Wm. H. Blake, Senior Vice-Commander, read his report, which was unanimously adopted by the Encampment, with thanks.

C. S. Brodbent, Patriotic Instructor, read his annual report, which was adopted and ordered printed in the Journal.

Headquarters Department of Texas, Grand Army of the Republic,
Houston, Texas, May 16, 1923.

Comrades of this Department, one year ago you conferred a great honor upon me, by your unanimous vote in making me your Commander. When I assumed command of the Department, I resolved to devote much time to the discharge of the duties thereof. However, serious sickness in my family prevented the performance of many contemplated duties. This I regret very much. However the dignity of our Department was held intact by officers and comrades. I kept in touch with them by correspondence and aided in that manner to the best of my ability.

I feel that the Department was very fortunate in having Department Vice-Commanders competent to perform the duties incumbent. Senior Vice-Commander Wm. H. Blake was in command at the Fifty-Sixth National Encampment at Des Moines, Iowa, and his report will show the duties were well performed.

Women's Relief Corps.

Mary J. Casey, President of W. R. C. and her official staff have been loyal and willing workers; have kept a watchful eye on deserving Comrades and their dependent ones. I heartily thank them for their many deeds of kindness.

Memorial Day.

Memorial Day was observed throughout this Department by the Grand Army of the Republic and Women's Relief Corps, with many other organizations participating.

With gratitude for the cordial support given by all Comrades of this Department, I wish to express my sincere thanks and wish to assure each and every one that I again thank them for the high honor conferred one year ago.

In F. C. and L.

R. P. COOPER, Department Commander.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE-COMMANDER.

Houston, Texas, May 16, 1923.

To the Officers and Comrades of the Department of Texas, G. A. R. in Convention assembled, I have the honor to make the following report:

Department Commander Cooper being unable to attend the National Convention owing to the illness of his esteemed wife, upon me devolved the duty of representing this honorable body at Des Moines, Iowa, September 26-30, 1922.

Enroute we had a pleasant trip 'till we reached Waureka, Okla., where a wreck ahead caused us to be side-tracked in a desolate region without rations, and no information as to how long we might be delayed.

I managed to guide my charges to a commissary some distance away where we foraged supplies for our immediate needs.

Later we again started towards our destination, and arrived safely in the hospitable city of Des Moines about 8 p. m. September 27th. There was some criticism because we were not permitted to remain in the Pullman until morning, but the contract between the railroad and the Pullman company called for an immediate release of the sleeper on arrival in Des Moines, and this could not be arranged.

Owing to the assistance and co-operation of our very capable Adjutant General J. S. Dunlap, we were comfortably located in Headquarters at the Randolph Hotel.

The Texas delegation, though small in number, made a most creditable representation in the Parade.

We received many compliments from the Officials of various Patriotic Organizations. One in particular came from a Captain of the American Legion, who congratulated us on the cadence and military bearing of our detachment. We dipped our banner fifteen paces before reaching the reviewing station of our Commander-in-Chief and held it thus until fifteen paces past the station. This caused much favorable comment. To Comrade Woodcock belongs the honor of so gracefully executing the order from the Department Commander Pro Tem, your humble servant.

Texas captured the office of National Senior Vice-Commander for the first time in our history.

We were really only anticipating the honor of National Junior Vice-Commander for our worthy Comrade Brodbent and I secured the support of the Indiana delegation, through my Comrade Lieut. Col. Isgreg, to this end, but Corp. Tanner decided to nominate him for Senior Vice-Commander in appreciation of the beautiful article on Patriotism written by Comrade Brodbent.

I had the honor of seconding Col. Brodbent's nomination, and personally thanked Corp. Tanner. Comrade Brodbent was unanimously elected to the office of National Senior Vice-Commander.

We were royally entertained and shown every courtesy. Cars bearing the words, "G. A. R. hop in," carried us to and from our destinations. Cap-teens were provided, where coffee, milk, **cider** and sandwiches were served without cost to the boys who wore the Blue.

The memory of this joyful reunion and the hospitality of the citizens of Des Moines will go with us down the years.

In closing, I again thank Col. Dunlap and acclaim Captain Shearer and Comrade Woodcock the champion dance artists of this organization.

Yours in F. C. and L.

WILLIAM H. BLAKE,
Dept. Senior Vice-Commander.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

Headquarters Department of Texas, G. A. R.
Office of Department Chaplain, May 16, 1923.

I have the honor to submit the following report as the Department Chaplain:

Number of Posts in Departments, 8; Number of Posts reporting Memorial Services, 6.

Memorial Sabbath Services.

Number of Posts attending Services, 6; Number of sermons preached to Posts, 6; Number of sermons preached by Sons of Veterans, 1; Number of Comrades present at such services, 66.

Memorial Day Services.

Number of Posts observing Memorial Day Services, 8; Number of Comrades participating in Memorial Day Services, 86; Number of Women's Relief Corps participating in Memorial Day Services, 6; Number of cemeteries in which graves were decorated, 23; Number of graves decorated, 793; Number of graves unmarked by headstones, San Antonio and Hank, 198; Number of public schools engaging in Memorial Day Services, 9; Number of other organizations participating, 15; Number of addresses delivered to Posts on Memorial Day, 3; Number of addresses delivered by Sons of Veterans, 1; Number of Posts having Burial Plots, 7.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

ANSON MILLER, Department Chaplain.
P. O. Address, Anahuac, Texas.

Adopted by Encampment.

REPORT OF PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR, DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Houston, Texas, May 16, 1923.

To R. P. Cooper, Commander Department of Texas, G. A. R.

At the close of the Civil War, patriotism had reached high tide; then as the Union had been saved, the Nation gradually relapsed into tranquility, then into carelessness, believing all was secure and all but a few, (among them the writer) scarce noting the hordes of undesirable immigrants being dumped on our shores and the apathy of our own people regarding our National welfare; then the Spanish American War broke and a wave of enthusiasm swept the land; more men offered than were needed and Spanish domination in America and the Phillipines came to a quick end. The Spanish American War, though bringing great relief to the

world, and especially to our own Nation, still did not show the masses the menace of immigration and the sinister work of bands of despicable people in our midst and we slept the sleep of those apprehending no danger, and we made no preparation against foes within and without. It took the earthquake—the lightning and thunder of the World War to arouse us from apathy and reveal to us our National dangers.

We paid dearly in life and treasure for our heedlessness. From 1865 to 1898 the G. A. R. and its adherents felt concern as to who would carry on when we were gone. Then the Spanish War veterans came to our aid, North and South, and Memorial Day proved a common meeting ground and bond of patriotic devotion, but they are too few to fully fill the place of the Grand Army, and so disloyalty grew apace, till 1918 when the whole nation was aroused and drastic laws passed to protect our integrity and to defend our flag. And the American Legion, the Spanish Veterans, and the remnant of the G. A. R. firmly united, stand an immovable bulwark against all enemies and the welfare of our nation is well assured for the next half century. The principles and objects of these new organizations coincide with ours.

The corner stone of the United Spanish War Veterans is this solemn oath:

"I, in the presence of the Almighty God, and these comrades of the United Spanish War Veterans, do hereby earnestly renew the oath of allegiance which I took upon entering the service of the United States, and, moreover, solemnly and sincerely promise and swear that I will at all times faithfully serve my country, by obeying the laws of the land, encouraging honor and purity in public affairs, and, in a spirit of true patriotism, reverence and protect our glorious flag as the emblem of liberty; that I will be a loyal comrade, faithful and obedient to all authority by which we may be governed; that I will keep sacred the secrets of the United Spanish War Veterans and earnestly strive for the upbuilding of the organization; that I will aid, so far as I can, without injury to myself and family, worthy comrades, their dependents, and the dependents of those deceased who need my assistance, and, in the spirit of true comradeship, seek to promote their welfare.

This obligation I voluntarily assume and promise to fulfill on my honor as a man."

In regard to the American Legion we find these glorious words—

"For God and Country we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;

To maintain law and order;

To foster and perpetuate a hundred per cent Americanism;

To preserve the memories and incidents of our association in the Great War;

To inculcate a sense of obligation to the community, State and Nation;

To combat the autocracy of both classes and the masses;

To make right the master of might;

To promote peace and good will on earth to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy;

To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness."

The Veterans of Foreign Wars, (destined to become the largest of all soldier organizations) have no less patriotic foundation—

"The objects of this Association are are fraternal, patriotic, historical and educational;

To preserve and strengthen comradeship among members;

To assist worthy comrades;

To perpetuate the memory and history of our dead, and to assist their widows and orphans;

To maintain true allegiance to the Government of the United States of America, and the fidelity of its Constitution and laws;

To foster true patriotism;

To maintain and extend institutions of American freedom; and,

To preserve and defend the United States from all enemies, whomsoever."

The Boy Scouts too, is a powerful semi-military influence for the betterment of the race—

"On my honor I will do my best, to do my duty to God and my Country, and to obey the Scout Laws;

To help other people at all times;

To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight."

A million of such boys in years to come will prove to be a stronger national defense than a million armed soldiers who have no vision.

There are a great number of other purely soldier organizations made up of men of some special branch of the service, but the basic principle of all is the same as that of the Grand Army—fellowship and patriotism, love of country and of God. Then too, there are many civic bodies built on like lines. The Travelers Protective Association pledges itself—

"To play fair in the strenuous game of life;

To be clean of body, mind and soul;

To be courteous to friend and foe;

To be too chivalrous to wound the feelings of others;

To found my hopes and dreams on the rock of determination;

To look others straight in the eye;

To meet victory without boasting;

To meet defeat without bitterness;

To meet all life with a smile;

To love my friends, country and God."

There are over one hundred thousand members in the United States and eight thousand in Texas.

There are the Elks, the Red Men, etc., including both men and women,

and the auxiliaries, like the W. R. C. Ladies Circle, Daughters of Rebecca, Eastern Star, Maccabees, Knights of Pythias, Woodmen of the World, in most or all of those lodge rooms the Stars and Stripes hold a conspicuous place. The Grand Army is growing weaker, but the W. R. C. and Circle grow stronger, so "let not your hearts be troubled."

There are now on the pension roll about 190,000 Civil War soldiers, and 272,000 Civil War widows. In the 80's the G. A. R. membership was between 400,000 and 500,000 men; today we number about 80,000, so that less than one-half of Civil War soldiers now living belong to the G. A. R. We need not worry now as to our successors; ninety per cent of the nation upholds our principles, and the Bolsheviks, the I. W. W. and such trash is but froth on the great broad river of American patriotism, and the G. A. R. can exultingly proclaim to the Nation, "We will not leave you comfortless."

Numerous civilian societies are aiding our auxiliaries in training non-English people, both children and adults, in Americanization, and getting wonderful results. The churches are doing vast good in this line; in my own city the Christian (Campbellite) people support the Christian Institute for work chiefly among Mexicans, having over 200 children in day schools, a nursery for babies whose mothers go out to work, night schools for adults and free clinics by devoted physicians. English language is taught, *duty to God and Country, and the meaning of our flag.* Other denominations have mission stations here on similar lines, and the living conditions of thousands of people thereby improved. Other towns and cities in the state are doing like voluntary work, and the average type of citizenship is being constantly elevated.

To tell of this work in detail, would require pages and I can particularize only a few instances of our Relief Corps' work.

Lyon Post, Denison, reports all schools have flags, pupils take interest and salute flag daily. All patriotic days observed; Gettysburg address in all schools. *Nineteen Twenty Two* was the most successful year in their history. Relief Corps have done wonderful work and members, teachers and children are loyal, true and untiring.

Hancock Post, Galveston, celebrated Memorial Day in the Episcopal Cemetery with children and American Legion.

Parmelee Post, Fort Worth, substantially the same as Lyon Post.

E. O. C. Ord Post, San Antonio, states schools dismissed on Memorial Day and took part in general observance at National Cemetery, also Grant Centennial, at request of Post Instructor, was well observed by Military at Fort Sam Houston. Generals Smith and Hines made addresses, and in the afternoon General Buck and Judge Davies made addresses, and historical reading on life of General Grant was given in all the city schools.

On Memorial Day in San Antonio we have a large street parade, ending at the National Cemetery; several thousand people participate, with military salutes, oratory, singing and decorating 4,000 graves with flags and flowers.

The Department of Texas is in a healthy, patriotic condition and though more than one-half of the Posts have surrendered their charters, and others are expiring, the remnant keeps up the good work, now aided by newer organizations and the influence of the noble spirits that have passed, still lives in the hearts of the younger generation. Nor should we forget that while the G. A. R. decreases in number, the W. R. C. and Ladies Circle increases, and women's influence on expanding childhood

is stronger than man's and it is the children who are the Nation's hope. If grave dangers confront us, let us with a patriot's devotion and a Christian's hope, cling the more firmly to the principles of our forefathers, and though we may at times be perplexed, let us prove to the world that we cannot be confounded.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

C. S. BRODBENT,
Patriotic Instructor, Dept. of Texas, G. A. R.
San Antonio, Texas.

Houston, Texas, May 16, 1923.

Comrade R. P. Cooper, Department Commander.

Dear Sir and Comrade: I herewith submit my report as Assistant Adjutant General, as to the membership of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Texas, for the term ending December 31, 1922.

Number remaining in good standing December 31st, 1921:

Posts 10; Membership.....	213	
Gain: By muster.....	4	
By transfer.....	2	
By Re-instatement.....	1	
		220
Loss: By Death.....	13	
By Honorable Discharge.....	1	
By Transfer.....	3	
By Suspension.....	35	
		52
		52
Number in good standing.....		168

My heartfelt thanks is hereby tendered you for the honor conferred in the appointment as your Assistant Adjutant General.

In F. C. and L.

J. S. DUNLAP, Asst. Adj. Gen.

Houston, Texas, May 16, 1923.

Comrade R. P. Cooper, Department Commander.

Dear Sir and Comrade: I herewith submit my report as Assistant Quartermaster General, Department of Texas, Grand Army of the Republic, giving receipts and disbursements, ending May 16, 1923.

Check from Comrade Ed N. Ketchum.....	\$ 37.70	
M. O. " " " " " ".....	1.19	
		\$ 38.89
To June Semi-Annual per capita tax from 10 Posts.....	63.90	
To December per capita tax, 10 Posts.....	84.00	
To supplies sold.....	9.80	
To interest on \$200 Liberty Bonds.....	8.50	
By Supplies received from Ed N. Ketchum.....	23.41	
Total.....	\$228.50	\$228.50

DISBURSEMENTS.

Printing General Orders No. 1 and 2	\$ 6.25	
Badges for National Encampment.....	1.25	
By printing Letter Heads and Envelopes.....	10.00	
By Telegram to National Headquarters, June 1922.....	1.54	
By General Orders No. 3 and 4.....	6.50	
By Postage for the year.....	14.00	
By printing Journal of 37th Annual Encampment.....	56.10	
By Cash to Q. M. G. for Supplies.....	7.75	
By Semi-Annual per capita tax to National, June, 1922.....	10.65	
By Annual per capita tax to National, December, 1922.....	8.40	
By Telegram of condolence on death of Comrade Wm. A. Ketchum, Past Commander-in-Chief.....	1.00	
Salary	50.00	
		\$173.44
Have on hand two \$100 U. S. Liberty Bonds, \$200.00		
Supplies on hand, \$22.36	22.36	
Total	\$195.80	\$195.80
		Balance..... \$ 32.70

J. S. DUNLAP, Q. M.

Approved by Encampment.

Adjourned to meet 10 a. m. tomorrow morning, May 27th, 1923.

MAY 17—10 A. M.

After reading other reports, Commander R. P. Cooper announced that the time had arrived for election of officers and representatives for the ensuing year. In accordance with the rules and regulations of the Grand Army of the Republic, the following hereinafter named officers were duly nominated and elected for the ensuing year: Wm. H. Blake, of George B. McClellan Post No. 9, Commander; D. L. Wagner, of Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 5, Senior Vice-Commander; J. M. Naylor, of Richard J. Oglesby Post No. 6, Junior Vice-Commander; Anson Miller, of W. S. Hancock Post No. 2, Chaplain; A. W. Acheson, of Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 5, Medical Director. Delegate at Large: J. H. Dunn, of Denison, Texas; Alternate, A. W. Robins, of San Antonio, Texas. Delegate: John Shearer, of Houston, Texas; Alternate, W. A. McKenson, of Denison, Texas. Council of Administration: John Gold, of Parmley Post No. 4; Ed Loomis, of E. O. C. Ord Post No. 3; Byron P. Drowne, of Post No. 17; Anson Miller, of W. S. Hancock Post No. 2; T. U. Johnson, of Post No. 26.

Motion by Comrade Mosher to increase salary of Assistant Adjutant and O M. General to \$75 per annum, carried.

San Antonio extends invitation to hold next Encampment in that city. Motion made by R. McCormick to accept the invitation with the understanding that the local post there and the Department Council of Administration name the date.

ROLL OF HONOR OF DEPARTMENT OF TEXAS, GRAND ARMY OF
THE REPUBLIC, TO DECEMBER 31, 1922.

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

Owen Mulher, Private U. S. Marine Corps, died Nov. 20, 1922.

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

J. T. Dennis, Private Co. K, 21 Iowa Inf., died Feb. 20, 1919; Fell Christopher, Private Co. F, 53 Ill., died Aug. 28, 1922.

Parmley Post No. 4, Fort Worth, Texas.

J. W. Hensley, died January 1, 1922.

Richard J. Oglesby Post No. 6, Dallas, Texas.

Robert McCulloch, Private Co. A, 2nd Md. Bat.; George W. Briggs, Private Co. G, 140 Ill. Inf., died April 6, 1922; Joseph N. DuBois, Private, First and Second Lieutenant, and Captain Co. K, 17th Ohio Inf., Major 17th Ohio Inf., died Dec. 8, 1922.

George B. McClellan Post No. 9, Houston, Texas.

J. D. Wood, Ind. Battery, died November 4th, 1922.

Emmitt Crawford Post No. 19, El Paso, Texas.

James N. Johnson, Capt. Co. F, 1st. Texas Vol., died March 17, 1919; Paul Derr, Private Co. H, 28th Penn. Vol., died November 10th, 1922.

Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 5, Denison, Texas.

Barney Daniels, 14th Mo. Cavalry, died Dec. 12, 1922; Fora Hunst, 18th Ind. Cavalry, died Oct. 27, 1922.

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

Joseph McKew, Private Co. G, 213th Pa. Inf., died August 2nd, 1922.

**COL. A. G. WEISSERT CALLED BY DEATH; FORMER HEAD OF
G. A. R. AND LEADER IN CIVIC MATTERS, DIES.**

Col. A. G. Weissert, Civil War veteran and Past Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R., died at his home, 101 Eighteenth street, on Tuesday. He was 79 years old.

Enlisting in the Eighth Wisconsin regiment as a private, he took part in many of the campaigns of the Civil War, being promoted for bravery on the battlefield on Sept. 8, 1864.

Takes Up Law Study.

Following the demobilization of the Union troops on Sept. 17, 1865, Col. Weissert returned to Wisconsin, where he took up the study of law under the guidance of W. P. Lyon of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin, being admitted to practice in the Circuit courts of the state in 1869. He has practised law in Milwaukee since 1876, abandoning his practice two years ago on account of ill health.

Col. Weissert took active part in the affairs of the G. A. R. He has been a member since 1866, being named Commander of the Department of Wisconsin, G. A. R., 1888-'89. In 1890 he was named Senior Vice-Commander and was elected Commander-in-Chief in 1892-'93.

Active in Civic Affairs.

Col. Weissert had always actively interested himself in civic affairs. In 1900 he was presidential elector at large and chosen president of the electoral college of Wisconsin. He was school commissioner of Milwaukee for a term of four years. President Roosevelt designated him as an appointee on the board of visitors to West Point Military Academy in 1904.

Col. Weissert is survived by his widow, Mary, and one daughter, Mrs. Lewis Sleeper of Appleton. Announcement of funeral arrangements will be made later.

Commander Cooper:

We, your committee to whom was referred the words of Mrs. Florence Weissert Sleeper, telling us of the death of her illustrious father, Past Commander-in-Chief A. G. Weissert, causes the bowing of heads and aching on hearts in every member present at the passing of our beloved Comrade; and without Whereases or Resolves, we from our hearts extend to his bereaved ones the heartfelt sympathy of all members of this Department of Texas in its 38th Encampment assembled; raising our joint prayers to our Heavenly Father, "Who doeth all things well," to comfort the bereaved and heal the broken hearts of his loved ones.

And the Assistant Adjutant General is hereby instructed to set aside a page in the Journal of this Encampment to his memory, and to transmit a copy of this action to his family.

Fraternally submitted,

EDWIN N. KETCHUM
C. S. BRODBENT
ANSON MILLER.

We, your committee assigned the pleasurable duty of returning thanks for our entertainment at this, the Central City of Texas; make the following as our report.

RESOLVED:

That we, the members of the 38th Encampment of the Department of Texas, Grand Army of the Republic,

1st. Thank most heartily Mayor Holcomb and the Commercial Association for their kindly invitation to hold said Encampment in this city, thus opening our eyes to its commercial importance to our great State.

2nd. And to the Press for kindly notices concerning us.

3rd. And last, but not least, to the McClellan Relief Corps, its drill team, the Munn Company, and the citizens of Houston generally, for their bountiful commissary, splendid drilling musical numbers, and smiling welcome, that has made the 38th Encampment a joyous occasion for us in our declining years.

ANSON MILLER,
C. S. BRODBENT,
G. E. ALLGAIER, Committee.

**REPORT OF WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS FOR THE YEAR ENDING
MAY 15, 1923.**

Commander:

I have the honor to present the following report of relief rendered by the Department of Texas for the year ending May 15, 1923.

Cash expended by Dept. for Relief during year.....	\$206.59
Cash turned over to Post during year for Relief.....	37.75
Total disbursements for Relief.....	\$ 244.34
Estimated value of Relief other than money (clothing, fuel, food, etc.).....	1378.10
Total Relief (Cash and Donations.....	\$1642.44
Expended for flowers for sick and deceased comrades and members.....	\$112.80
Total.....	\$112.80
Number of persons assisted during year.....	555
Number of visits made by Relief Committee, including visits to the sick.....	530

Yours in F., C. and L.

MARY J. CASEY, Dept. President.
ALICE McEVERS, Dept. Secretary.
TINA M. DUNCAN, Dept. Treasurer.

Department Headquarters, Women's Relief Corps,
Fort Worth, Texas, May 12, 1923.

J. S. Dunlap, Asst. Adjutant General,
Department of Texas,
Grand Army of the Republic,
P. O. Box 510, Dallas, Texas.

My Dear Comrade: I am writing to thank you for the very many favors you have shown me in my year's work with you in the Department,

and for the General Orders you have sent me both from National and Department, and to say that you will always find the Woman's Relief Corps ready to respond to a call from the Grand Army of the Republic and you will always find us loyal and true.

With my best wishes to you for a splendid convention, I am,
Truly in F. C. and L.

MARY J. CASEY, Dept. Pres. W. R. C.

DISPERSING BEGUN; AUTO RIDES AND MATINEE END SESSION JOINT STATE ENCAMPMENT OF G. A. R. AND W. R. C.

Delegates to the joint State Encampment of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. were scattering to their homes this afternoon, following a morning of restful pleasure.

The closing activities of the Encampment were automobile rides about the city this morning, during which the Women's Relief Corps presented an American flag to Travis school, and a matinee for those of both organizations at the new Majestic theater.

It was a fitting final day for the convention, Thursday having been a strenuous day of routine business for the veteran "boys" and "girls" attending.

The ceremony of presentation of a large American flag to Travis school by the Women's Relief Corps was held at the school at 10 a. m.

Presentation speeches were made by Mrs. Alice McEwen of Fort today.

Worth, Past Department Patriotic Instructor, and Mrs. Elizabeth Dunwoody, Patriotic Instructor for the Houston Post. The reply for the school was delivered by Robert Turner, president of the high seventh grade.

A joint installation of officers elected during the day marked the closing session Thursday afternoon.

The new officers of the Women's Relief Corps are: Mrs. Frances Waltz, Denison, President; Mrs. Mary C. Yingling, Dallas, Senior Vice-President; Mrs. Theodosia Moran, San Antonio, Junior Vice-President; Mrs. Elsie Hull, Corpus Christi, Chaplain; Mrs. Malinda Rainey, Denison, Treasurer.

Members of the advisory board are: Mrs. Lula Villanueva, San Antonio, Chairman; Mrs. Lydia Carey, Fort Worth; Mrs. Bessie Seng, San Antonio; Mrs. Minnie Krugle, Dallas; Mrs. Etter, Houston. Delegate to the National convention in Milwaukee, September 3, is Mrs. Maude Green, and Mrs. Tina Duncan is delegate-at-large.

The new President appointed Mrs. Mary Casey, Fort Worth, Counselor; Mrs. Maggie Davis, Denison, Secretary; Mrs. Georgia Warren, I. and I. officer; Mrs. Tina Duncan, Fort Worth, Inspector, and Mrs. Alice Smith, San Antonio, Patriotic Instructor.

The council of administration appointed by W. H. Blake, newly elected Commander of the G. A. R., is composed of John Gold, Fort Worth; Ed Loomis, San Antonio; Byron P. Drowne, El Paso; Anson Miller, Anahuac, and T. U. Johnson, Paris.

The G. A. R. adopted a resolution of sympathy for the family of Past Commander-in-Chief A. G. Weissert, deceased; and resolutions of thanks to Mayor Holcombe, Houston newspapers, McClellan Relief Corps, and all the agencies which helped to entertain them during the Encampment.

Thursday evening the delegates were guests at a banquet given at the Rice Hotel by Post No. 9, Houston.