

THE NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

Commander Warner's Address—His Views as to Pensions—Growth of the G. A. R.—General Russell A. Alger Elected Commander-in-Chief.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 29.—The twenty-third National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic was called to order by Commander-in-Chief Warner at 10:15 o'clock yesterday morning in the West Side Turner Hall.

General Sherman was in attendance and occupied a seat among the Missouri delegation. The hall was filled, the delegates aggregating about 750 persons, or about 250 short of the number entitled to seats in the encampment.

After prayer by Chaplain Wharton of the Wisconsin department and a brief intermission to allow delegates to seat themselves, Commander Warner read his address as follows:

Comrades and Shipmates: I am here to give account of my stewardship. The greatest honor ever conferred upon me was my election as Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. In taking the obligation of the office I fully realized the importance of the trust you had confided to me, and then I resolved neither by word or act to do anything that would draw a derogating comment from our ranks, and to do all that in me lay to strengthen the silver cords of comradeship that I trust shall ever bind the surviving soldiers and sailors of the Union army and navy one to another as brothers tried.

After eulogizing the G. A. R. at length, the Commander-in-Chief continued: "The growth of our organization has been steady and healthy. Strong as it is, it has never been, and I trust never will be, used for partisan purposes or to gratify the personal ambitions of any man or set of men."

The greater part of the year has been in the Department of Missouri. Eight departments show a gain in membership in good standing of 15,224 distributed as follows: Illinois, 1,281; Iowa, 1,413; Nebraska, 1,709; Pennsylvania, 1,740; New York, 1,965; Ohio, 2,008; Wisconsin, 2,022; Missouri, 2,082. The net gain in the membership during the year (in good standing) was 27,431.

Commander Warner referred briefly to various unimportant matters and then said: "I commend to each department the patriotic practice of the posts in the department of New York on presenting on the 23d of February, the birthday of the Republic, the American flag to such public schools as are not yet in possession of one. Let the children receive the stars and stripes from the men who placed their bodies as a living wall between it and those who would tear it down. The future citizens of the Republic are being educated in public schools—the flag of their country should ever be before them as an object lesson. Let the 8,000,000 of boys and girls in the elementary schools be thus imbued with a reverence for the flag and all it represents."

The matter of pensions was reserved by the Commander for the conclusion of his address, when he said: "The committee on pensions has been unable to make any progress in securing favorable consideration by Congress of the pension bills recommended by the Columbus encampment. The committee is in no way to blame, and the question of pension legislation will come before us again for discussion and recommendation."

The number of comrades in this encampment is so large that it is not natural that all will not agree in the discussion, but when the discussion has closed and the encampment has adjourned, action should be taken to secure the support of every comrade. Without mutual cooperation there would be no legislation. The Grand Army of the Republic has never exercised its full influence in pension legislation because of the divisions in its ranks. The measures recommended by the National encampment should not be antagonized by conflicting measures urged by departments or posts.

Our demands should be reasonable and consistent. The last encampment recommended to Congress a bill which is known as the Disability Pension Bill. My experience in Congress leads me to believe that it will greatly strengthen the hands of our friends in that body by demanding at Milwaukee that the pension be paid to the widows and dependent children of the pensioners. We should not rest until justice is done our comrades.

The service pension will come. The day is not far distant when an honorable discharge from the Union army or navy shall be all the evidence required to secure a pension to its holder. Let the bondholders of the country remember that the men who made their securities valuable—so that they were paid, to the utmost farthing, when the interest of the money advanced by them to the State—let them remember that these men have claims upon the State at least equal to those of the bondholders. Let those who invest against pensions remember that it was the boys in blue who were the true soldiers and death, beguiled to them the legacy of liberty and union, insuring to them and their children the blessings of free institutions under which they enjoy a greater property, a larger liberty, a higher civilization and a part of the greatness that we are enjoying by a people. Let the people remember that to preserve to them these blessings "Four hundred thousand of the brave, Made this, our ransomed soil, their grave."

We, the survivors of these men, who gave the best years of our lives to our country, will present our claims to the Government, but will not approach those in authority, "with bated breath and whispering humbleness," but as free men we will demand, asking only that which is just. We would rather have the Nation help our comrades living than erect monuments to them dead.

COMPLETING ITS WORK.

The National Encampment Completed the Election of Officers—Resolution Indorsing Commissioner Tanner.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 30.—At yesterday morning's session of the National Encampment the election of officers for the ensuing year was completed. Dr. Horace P. Porter, of Kansas, was chosen surgeon-general; W. H. Childers, of Kentucky, chaplain and Commander Lovett, of New Jersey, vice-commander. The encampment refused to recognize the Sons of Veterans as an auxiliary of the G. A. R. because of a disturbing faction in the former. Instead of giving the two women's organizations—the Loyal Ladies of the G. A. R. and the Woman's Relief Corps—formal indorsement, which would be contrary to the rules, it was recommended that the encampment bid them God speed in the work.

General Alger, president of the Logan monument fund, reported that the collections to date aggregated \$11,119.60. A committee of five was authorized to place before Congress a proposition to set apart a portion of the \$40,000 appropriated for the site to be added to the fund for the monument.

General Warner left the chair and made a strong appeal for the monument scheme. He suggested that the committee be enlarged to include one representative from each department, with instructions to push the work until the monument was finally erected at Washington.

The chief event at the meeting of the Grand Army delegates was a red-hot protest over resolutions indorsing Pension Commissioner Tanner. Mr. Perkins, of Kansas, introduced a resolution heartily thanking the administration of President Harrison for the honor it has conferred on the G. A. R. in appointing Corporal Tanner as Pension Commissioner, and heartily indorsing his conduct of the bureau, because it was erected for the benefit of the soldiers and sailors of the late war, and denouncing the bitter and malignant criticism of the press upon his official conduct.

General Barnum, of New York, offered a substitute to the effect that notwithstanding the assaults of an unfriendly press, the encampment declared its belief in the integrity of Tanner and its approval of his efforts to do all for the soldiers and sailors that the laws will allow.

At the afternoon session Barnum's substitute was read to read as follows: "That we thank President Harrison for the appointment of our comrade, James Tanner, as Commissioner of Pensions, and that, notwithstanding the assault made on him, we declare our complete confidence in his integrity and our approval of his endeavors to do all that can be done under the laws for the veterans of the war, and in connection with him we ask a full investigation of his administration of the affairs of the Pension Bureau."

It was adopted under suspension of the rules unanimously amid great cheering.

OHIO DEMOCRATS.

The Ticket Nominated at Dayton Headed by James E. Campbell.

DAYTON, O., Aug. 29.—The State Democratic convention was called to order in the rink by Dr. Norton at 10:15 yesterday morning. After prayer by Rev. Dr. McFarlin, Dr. Norton made a brief address outlining the purposes of the convention. He made his speech the vehicle for a caustic criticism of the Republican party and Governor Foraker. This was followed by a eulogy of the Democratic party and its principles. His mission to Grover Cleveland as the noblest and greatest of living Democrats was marked by long continued applause. Hon. M. D. Harter, of Richland County, was elected permanent president, Lewis G. Bernard, of Hamilton County, secretary, and Peter Weidner, of Montgomery County, sergeant-at-arms. Mr. Harter then took the chair and made a lengthy speech. Hon. John A. McElhannon read the report of the committee on resolutions. The report was unanimously adopted. Nominations for Campbell of Cuyahoga County, Virgil P. Kline, of Cuyahoga, and Lawrence T. Neal, of Ross County, were placed in nomination. Campbell was nominated on the second ballot, the vote being as follows (386 being necessary to a choice): Campbell, 377; Neal, 299; Kline, 55. Other officers were nominated as follows: Lieutenant-Governor, J. V. Marquis, Supreme Judge, M. D. Follett; Treasurer, William E. Boden; Commissioner of Common Schools, Charles C. Miller; member of Board of Public Works, Frank Reynolds; Attorney-General, J. N. Lewis; clerk of the Supreme Court, T. J. Shoemaker.

A. O. U. W.

Important Session—Settlement of a Vexed Question—New Appointments.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 29.—The Supreme Legion of Select Knights of the Ancient Order of United Workmen held important business sessions yesterday morning and evening. The important feature of the day's work was the consideration and final disposal of the troublesome question of the advisability of making the Select Knights an independent organization from the Ancient Order of United Workmen. The committee on the good of the order, to whom the question had been referred, submitted majority and minority reports, and after a lengthy debate, the legion adopted the majority report, which provides that the order shall be divided into three degrees: Junior, Senior and Select Knights, and that persons not members of the A. O. U. W. shall be eligible to membership in the two former degrees. The movement, while not so radical as that contemplated by the St. Louis meeting, is nevertheless, in a measure, a severance of the Select Knights from the A. O. U. W.

Hon. George W. Reed, supreme commander, announced the following appointments: Supreme vice-commander, E. M. Forde, Emporia, Kan.; supreme standard bearer, Fred W. Averill, Kansas City, Mo.; supreme senior workman, George W. Linn, Chicago, Ill.; supreme junior workman, James A. Lindsey, Bradford, Pa.; supreme guard, C. J. Byrns, Ishpeming Mich.; trustees, R. D. Cowdry, Topeka, Kan., and James W. Carr, Omaha, Neb.

A Steamer Wreck Victim Dying.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 30.—Hugh Riley, a Grand Army veteran, who left this city some weeks ago, was a passenger on the Santa Fe train wrecked at Strator, Ill. His wife's first intimation of the fact was a telegram last night asking her to go at once to Beloit, Wis., where her husband was dying from injuries received in the wreck.

Fire at Weeping Water.

WEeping WATER, Neb., Aug. 30.—A disastrous fire, originating from a gasoline stove, occurred here yesterday. A strong wind was blowing, and before the fire was under control damage amounting to \$12,000, with little insurance, resulted.

ITS WORK DONE.

Sketch of the New Commander—Close of the Grand Army Encampment—The Council of Administration—The Ladies' Auxiliary.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 31.—Following is a brief biography of General Russell A. Alger, the new Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic. Russell A. Alger is nearly six feet in height, but his weight will probably not exceed 135 pounds. He has an olive skin, with large, expressive eyes, and his general appearance impresses one that he is an abstainer. The Governor came from New England stock, his father having been a Connecticut man and his mother a native of Vermont. Further back he traces his family to Massachusetts origin. The new Commander-in-Chief's early days were spent in Northern Ohio, fifty miles south of Cleveland, whither his parents had moved. Both his mother and father died when Governor Alger was thirteen years of age, and henceforth until the war the young man experienced many hard knocks while endeavoring to earn a living.

The only education General Alger ever received was given him at Richfield academy in Ohio. In 1871 he entered a law office at Akron and from there he drifted to Cleveland, where he went into the office of a relative of Secretary Stanton. About this time young Alger fell in love and in a short time married. When the war broke out Governor Alger undertook to recruit a company and succeeded. He went to the war and distinguished himself on many occasions, and was rapidly promoted. He got into the lumber business shortly after the war and Detroit became his home.

Governor Alger is a lover of the art, the large painting by Munkacsy, the "Death of Mozart" being in "The Den" at his home. It cost him \$20,000. He offered \$20,000 for the famous picture, "Christ Before Pilate," but a Philadelphia merchant went \$20,000 better and secured it for the city of B-oherty, Iowa. "The Death of Mozart" is also another picture in the Governor's superb home, while numerous other works by Rosa Bonheur, Franz Dier and Vibert form a part of his collection of paintings.

FINANCING ITS WORK. The closing session of the National Encampment was held yesterday. The call to order was made at nine o'clock so that the business might all be disposed of before noon and enable the delegates to leave the city after dinner.

The encampment was in session four hours. There was a prolonged discussion over the resolution favoring the allowance of a pension of \$12 per month to a soldier who might prefer to live at a home and will relinquish his right to enter the National military asylums. It met with so much opposition that by a vote of the encampment it was ordered to lie on the table.

The encampment then took up the subject of general pension legislation and adopted the following without discussion: Resolved, That the action of the Twenty-second National Encampment upon the subject of necessary pension legislation by Congress is hereby reaffirmed, and the pension committee is hereby instructed to pursue all proper means to secure legislation in accordance with such policy.

The above resolution embraces the Disability Bill and also calls for the passage of a per diem service bill. The resolution providing the rules so that five members might constitute a quorum in posts having less than fifty members was adopted.

After a spirited debate the resolution depriving Post Department Commissioners of the right to vote at the National Encampment was defeated.

The proposition to admit to qualified membership the eldest sons of veterans without, however, the right to vote or to wear the badge was rejected.

The business of the encampment having been concluded, Commander Warner delivered his closing address from the platform. The Adjutant-General then called the officers-elect to the platform and the ceremony of installation was performed. When this was accomplished the encampment adjourned sine die.

The new Grand Army council of administration is announced to be as follows: Alabama, E. G. L. Ward, Selma; Arkansas, Michael Kirsch, Little Rock; Colorado, R. V. Treat, Los Angeles; California and Wyoming, M. J. Haggerty, Greeley; Connecticut, August J. Fenn, Windsor; Dakota, F. C. Beck, Sioux Falls; Delaware, James Boon, Wilmington; Florida, W. James, Jacksonville; Georgia, L. T. Watson, Atlanta; Idaho, George L. Shout, Boise City; Illinois, A. D. Rhodes, Evanston; Indiana, Benjamin Schaller, Richmond; Iowa, P. H. Raymond, Hamlin; Kansas, O. H. Colter, Topeka; Kentucky, W. L. Collins, Louisville; Louisiana and Mississippi, James H. Lawler, New Orleans; Maine, John Anderson, Lunenburg; Massachusetts, H. D. O. Merrymouth, Lowell; Michigan, Louis E. Kayntz, Detroit; New York, Joseph B. Hill, Rochester; Minnesota, Albert Scheffer, St. Paul; Missouri, Milton Cole, St. Louis; Nebraska, P. S. Plaikson, Omaha; New Hampshire, William Stillbury, Jerry Dewart; New Jersey, J. B. Milligan, Newark; New Mexico, J. H. Purdy, Santa Fe; New York, A. M. Underhill, New York City; Ohio, L. H. Williams, Ripley; Pennsylvania, William McClellan, Pittsburgh; on the Potomac, John T. Schurch, Washington; Rhode Island, Henry C. Luther, Providence; Tennessee, W. E. Willmore, Greenville; Texas, H. W. Boyce, Fort Worth; Vermont, E. L. Ormsby, Brahm, Vergennes; Frank L. Gladys, Norfolk; Washington Territory and Alaska, J. R. C. McCoy, Tacoma; West Virginia, Charles E. Anderson, Wisconsin, J. A. Walrona.

THE LADIES' AUXILIARY.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 31.—The Loyal Ladies of the G. A. R. have elected National officers as follows: President, Mrs. Frances Wood, of Topeka, Kan.; senior vice, Mrs. Catharine East, of Louisville, Ky.; junior vice, Mrs. C. G. Bruner, of Altoona, Pa.; treasurer, Mrs. Ann E. Grubb, of Camden, N. J.; chaplain, Mrs. N. C. Ryndola, of Chicago; counselor, Mrs. F. Roby, of Chicago; council of administration, Mrs. Julia M. Johnson, of Altoona, Pa.; Mrs. Nellie P. Anderson, St. Louis, Mo.; and Mrs. Charles W. Gerwig, of Allegheny City, Pa. The annual report showed that the present membership is about 15,000.

Defendant's Accor.

MONTREAL, Que., Aug. 31.—Colonel Thompson, secretary of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, is in the city trying to trace the movements of Manager Moore, who absconded with \$500,000 of the company's funds. In February last Moore was declared to have been in this city, but the detectives discredited the report and the absconder was not arrested. Mr. Thompson examined the registers of the Windsor and St. Lawrence Hotels, and found a signature which he is sure is that of Moore. By referring to the books it appears he stayed at both hotels in February for nearly a week. The signatures were photographed for future use.

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