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THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at 1 pm, Sunday, October 21, 2012, at the VFW Post 9211 Hall at 255 Veterans Historic Drive near its intersection with Baker Lane next to Moana Park.

Commander Riggs wishes everyone a Happy Halloween and a Happy Nevada Day. President Lincoln must have had quite a sense of humor admitting Nevada to the Union that day.

SORRY FOR THE DELAY IN GETTING THIS NEWSLETTER OUT, BUT I'VE HAD FAMILY IN TOWN AND HAD TO SPEND MOST OF SEPTEMBER GETTING THINGS TOGETHER FOR CLASSES I WAS TEACHING ON TOMBSTONE SYMBOLOGY FOR TMCC WHICH INCLUDED FIELD TRIPS TO THE CARSON CITY AND VIRGINIA CITY CEMETERIES – The Editor.

MEMORIAL SERVICE HONORING HARRY REYNOLDS RECIPIENT OF THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR, ELKO, NEVADA

October 13, 2012

General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, with help from the Department of the Pacific, Federal Battalion Reenactors, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2350, the Elko High School band, and others as our guests, will be holding a memorial service honoring Harry Reynolds, who received the Congressional Medal of Honor during the Indian Wars. The service will be held at the Elko Cemetery at 9 am on Saturday, October 13, 2012. Please see the attached flyer for details.



Flag folding for Harry Reynolds MOH and Scout Bill Johnson, Indian Wars Battle of Slim Butts, 9 Sept 1876. (Commander Riggs, left, and Chaplain Eder, center)

NEWTON EARP IN NORTHERN NEVADA IN THE 1880'S

By John A. Riggs, Camp Commander

There are some interesting historical note's on Nevada Lawmen that few people know about in Nevada. Nevada had two Earp family members who graced the Northern part of our state in the 1880's as lawmen. A half brother of the other Earp's, by the name of Newton Earp, moved to Paradise Valley, Humboldt Co., NV with his wife and children in 1887. With his wife Nancy and two boys Virgil Edwin and Wyatt Clyde Earp, they settled there and Newton was elected Constable of Paradise Valley. Previously, Newton had been marshal of Garden City, KS. Once elected, he appointed his son Wyatt Clyde Earp as deputy. Sometime prior to 1900 Newton's wife Nancy passed away, possibly in 1898 and she was buried in an unmarked or lost grave in Paradise Valley. No death certificate seems to have been filed so actual proof positive is unknown on dates or location. Nancy and Newton's son, Wyatt Clyde Earp on May 5, 1899, married a young Nevada lady by the name of Jennie Irene Lambert. Their other son, Virgil Edwin Earp, moved to Reno, NV and became an automobile salesman. More later on the Earp family in Nevada.

150TH ANNIVERSARY OF NEVADA VOLUNTEERS

2013 will be the 150th anniversary of the Nevada Volunteers. On April 2, 1863, General George Wright, Commander of the Department of the Pacific told Nevada's acting governor Orion Clemens that the War Department had authorized him to raise volunteer companies in Nevada to help protect the Overland Mail route. Eventually 1088 men would serve in six cavalry companies and three infantry companies. When the war ended, some Nevada troops were fighting Indians with California and Michigan troops as far away as Wyoming. Some of us have been discussing the possibility of doing a little research and having a commemoration next year.

NEVADA DAY

October 27, 2011

The 2011 Nevada Day Parade will be held October 27, 2012, in Carson City, NV, The paperwork for Carlin Camp 25's participation has been sent in, and the details will be sent out when they become available. The parade starts at 10 am. The theme is "Honoring Our Military and Families – Past, Present, Future. The annual chili feed will also be held the same day at the Nugget in Carson City between noon and 2 pm.

BATTLE BORN DAYS

October 25-28, 2012

Battle Born Days will be held October 25-28, 2012 at Mills Park in Carson City. This event is billed as a salute to America's military from the Revolution to the present and into the future. It is being planned to honor all the services through both war and peace time. The event planners are looking for volunteers and donations. Please visit http://www.battleborndays.com/ for details.

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL WEST COAST CIVIL WAR CONFERENCE

November 3-4, 2012

The 27th Annual West Coast Civil War Conference will be held November 3-4, 2012 at the Hotel Hanford in Costa Mesa, California. The theme is "1862 – The War Defined". Speakers will include William C. Davis and Craig L. Simonds. The Conference is sponsored by the Orange County Civil War Round Table. Please visit http://http://www.sparkykurtz.com/West-Coast-Civil-War-Conference.html for upcoming details.

DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC ENCAMPMENT March 8-9, 2013

The 127th Annual Department Encampment will take place on March 8-9, 2013, at the NCO Club at Camp San Luis Obispo in San Luis Obispo, California. As registration and other information become available, it will be posted on the Department website: http://www.suvpac.org. Please note that Camp San Luis Obispo is a military base, and a pass, which will eventually be provided on-line, will be required to enter for the Encampment.

AUGUST 12, 2012, MEETING MINUTES

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Department of California and the Pacific, General William Passmore Carlin, Camp-25. Camp mailing address: 5200 Cedarwood Dr. Reno, NV. 89511-9025.

- 1). Call to Order and opening Prayer by Brother Tyrone. All Brothers then recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.
- 2). Roll Call: John Riggs, David A. Davis, Frank Wood, Tyrone Davis and Brian Worcester.
- 3). Commanders Report: Commander Riggs spoke about the Camps support with Brother Frady and the Comstock Cemetery Foundation at the re-dedication of a tombstone, long absent from its gravesite at Gold Hill. He also related the activities at the St. Mary's Art Center and a related archeological dig. The Commander also took numerous photos at the Gold Hill Cemetery. The Commander also accompanied Brother David on his exploration of the Sattley and Sierra Ville Cemeteries.
- 4). History and Memorials Report: Sent as an attachment to Camp Brothers by Brother David. It should be noted that this report is very extensive and represents a great deal of travel and effort by Brother David.
- 5). Secretary/Treasurers Report: Brother Brian related that the Department has cashed our annual check and our U.S. Bank balance is now \$662.54. Minutes of last Camp meeting were accepted.
- 6). Old Business: Battle Born Days and the Camps involvement was discussed as well as our participation in the Nevada Day activities. The Camp Commander will email responsible Brothers to determine an appropriate course.
- 7). New Business: Upcoming events- The 150th anniversary of the Nevada Volunteers next year. A discussion was held that would necessitate the involvement of Brother Frady. In addition, a discussion centered around the dedication of the gravesite of Harry Reynolds in Elko as his Congressional Medal of Honor Plaque has been installed. However, there seems to be some difficulties in obtaining the actual Medal for display in the Elko Museum. Finally the next meeting will be announced by the Commander which will include, at that meeting, the intentions of Brothers to run for Camp positions in December and subsequent elections.
- 8). Closing Prayer offered by Brother Tyrone and the meeting concluded at 1445 Hrs..

Submitted in F, C and L, Brian I. Worcester

HISTORY AND MEMORIALS REPORT

August 12, 2012

David A. Davis, SUVCW Gen. William Passmore Carlin Camp 25 Camp Historian/Civil War Memorials Officer.

SATTLEY AND SIERRAVILLE CEMETERIES

July 1, 2012

Commander John Riggs, Senior Vice Commander (SVC)/Historian David A. Davis, PCC, and Jenny Davis met Truckee Historian Chaun Mortier and her friend Lynne at Sattley on the southwest edge of Sierra Valley, California. They knew the obscure way up into the woods to the Sattley cemetery. We noted some definite and potential Civil War veterans buried there. One marker was of a member of the G.A.R. The nearby town of Loyalton had the G.A.R. South Mountain Post No. 117.



GAR member tombstone at Sattley Cemetery

After visiting the Sattley Cemetery, we revisited the Sierraville Cemetery and found some more Civil War veterans that we had overlooked in a previous visit including an obvious Confederate veteran.

FLAG AT INDIAN VALLEY MUSEUM, TAYLORSVILLE, CALIFORNIA

July 14, 2012

SVC/Historian David A. Davis and Patriotic Instructor Tyrone Davis visited the Indian Valley Museum in Taylorsville, California, on during a recent camping trip. A newspaper article in the display case describes a little of the history of the flag and it was apparently locally produced and presented to the local drum and bugle corps. It contains 36 stars and is dated to 1864, hence the 36 star represents Nevada. Nevada became a state on October 31, 1864, and the new state stars were not officially put on the national flag until the following Independence Day – July 4, 1865 in the case of Nevada. However, it appears stars were unofficially added to flags as states came into existence, and this is likely one of the early birds if the 1864 date is correct.

According to various Internet sites, this referred as a "Great Star Flag". It was not an official flag, but the design was popular from almost the beginning of the country.

We also visited the Taylorsville Cemetery. It has some burials of people old enough to have been in the Civil War, and a map at the museum notes a number of now unmarked graves.



Flag in display frame



Apparent 1895 article in display explaining flag.

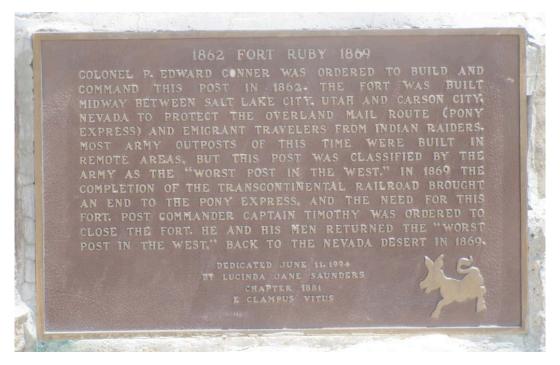
FORT RUBY

July 21, 2012

SVC/Historian David A. Davis and Patriotic Instructor Tyrone Davis visited the site of Fort Ruby during a recent camping trip. The site is blocked off, but the remains of one of the buildings can be seen in the distance. The site is marked an E. Clampus Vitus plaque. The fort was in operation from 1862 to 1869, and an earlier report was given on a flag at State Archives that was once at the fort.



Looking east from the E. Clampus Vitus marker. The remaining Fort Ruby building is near the trees center left.



E. Clampus Vitus plaque



Remaining building looking east from road using telephoto lens.



Looking south from a road leading to a wildlife viewing site. The remaining Fort Ruby building is below center left.



Building from same location as previous picture and using a telephoto lens.



Picture of Fort Ruby from U. S. Forest Service article at: http://www.fs.usda.gov/detailfull/htnf/learning/history-culture/?cid=fsm9_026944&width=full

CHERRY CREEK, NEVADA

July 22, 2012

During the trip in which Fort Ruby was visited, Cherry Creek was also visited. Cherry Creek apparently had about 1500 people in its early mining days, but today may have about a hundred people living is a cluster of trailers and decaying buildings. The cemetery was visited and a few Civil War veterans were noted and the graves photographed. The information was sent to our Graves Registration Officer, Don Huffman. Cherry Creek had the G.A.R. Colonel Baker Post No. 13 in the early 1880s.

PIOCHE, NEVADA

July 23, 2012

During the trip in which Fort Ruby was visited, Pioche was also visited. The local Lincoln County Museum had a 36-star Great Star flag similar to the one at Taylorsville. It was also locally made, but the museum had no history on it. The cemeteries were also briefly visited. A number of graves are for people old enough to have been in the Civil War, but none were marked as such. They will need to be researched further. Pioche had the G.A.R. Baker Post No. 11 in the early 1870s. The post name suggests a possible connection with the later Colonel Baker Post No. 13 noted for Cherry Creek.



Flag at the Lincoln County Museum, Pioche, Nevada

GOLD HILL CEMETERY

August 4, 2012

Commander John Riggs and (SVC)/Historian David A. Davis, attended the rededication of a tombstone for the grave of two brothers who died in a snowstorm on Christmas eve in 1871. Their tombstone was stolen in 1978 and recently returned. After the service and reception, we revisited the Gold Hill Cemeteries and took some pictures of the tombstones of people of the right age to have been in the Civil War and retook pictures of Civil War veterans' markers that had not come out when we photographed them on a visit months ago.

RECENT DEPARTMENT ORDERS

No new Department orders were issued since the November issue of the <u>Carlin Dispatch</u>. For a complete list, see Department website: http://http://www.suvpac.org/rules/ordersindex.html.

RECENT GENERAL ORDERS

For a complete list, see National website: http://suvcw.org/go/go.htm.

General Order No. 1 (Item No. 4 revised) SERIES 2012-2013 22 August 2012

- 1) I am truly humbled, honored and appreciative to all the Brothers that attended the 131st National Encampment in Los Angeles, California for electing me to the office of Commander-in-Chief. The faith you have placed in my abilities is remarkable and I will do my level best to discharge the duties of this high office during my 2012-2013 term.
- 2) I wish to thank the Department of California & Pacific for hosting an excellent 131st National Encampment in Los Angeles. The Brothers that attended this Encampment were treated to some special events that will generate memories that will hopefully last a lifetime.
- 3) Congratulations go out to the newly elected Presidents of the Allied Orders. Our primary objective is to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic and those that fought to preserve this great Union. To the Presidents of the Women's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic (WRC), Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865 (DUVCW), Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic (LGAR) and the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (ASUVCW): we are all in this together. You have my complete support; please feel free to call on me any time.
- 4) The Vision and Planning Committee and the Committee on Promotion & Marketing were not made a Standing Committee at the National Encampment. I am reappointing both of these committees for another year with the chairmen and membership to be defined in the National Committee listing to be posted soon.
- 5) To support the Vision 2020 Plan I am forming a new special committee. The National Committee on Fund Raising will examine the fund raising proposal submitted by Brother Glenn Knight and other possible fund raising actions and report back to the encampment next year with a plan for implementation.
- 6) Also, the Civil War Sesquicentennial is upon us. We must take full advantage of the Sesquicentennial as we work towards our vision; we will not have an opportunity like this again for the foreseeable future. We need to use this period of time to recruit as many new Brothers as possible and to reach out to the Brothers that have let their dues lapse. We should be able to increase our membership by 400 by August 2013.
- 7) The Headquarters for the Commander-in-Chief will be located at 16 Norma Dr., Nashua, NH, 03062-1340 and all correspondence to me may be mailed to this address. Correspondence may also be made by e-mail at cinc@suvcw.org. To speak with me please phone (603) 880-4699.
- 8) Correspondence concerning new members, membership reporting, finances dealing with annual reports or historical information with the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War National Headquarters should be directed to David W. Demmy, Sr., Executive Director, at 1 Lincoln Circle at Reservoir Park, Suite 240 (Nat. Civil War Museum), Harrisburg, PA 17103-2411, (717) 232-7000; execdir@suvcw.org.
- 9) All correspondence regarding the finances of the Order should be sent to National Treasurer Richard D. Orr, PCinC, 153 Connie Drive, Pittsburg, PA 15214-1251, (412) 931-1173; treasurer@suvcw.org.
- 10) All communications, resolutions, requests for merchandise licenses and general correspondence should be directed to National Secretary Eugene G. Mortorff, 70 Curtis Drive, East Berlin, PA 17316, (717) 476-9573; secretary@suvcw.org.
- 11) The National Chief of Staff will coordinate the Commander-in-Chief's travel schedule. Departments should contact the Chief of Staff with Department Encampments dates before the November Council of Administration meeting, if possible. Planning for Department Encampments attendance must be done as soon as possible in order to make sure every Department Encampment is attended by either the Commander-in-Chief or his representative. Department Encampment dates and locations should be sent to National Chief of Staff Ed Norris, 91 Kelly Drive, Lancaster, MA 01523-1959, (978) 365-7628; norris.ed@comcast.net.
- 12) Application for Civil War Memorial Grants and requests for Eagle Scout Certificates should be directed to Robert M. Petrovic, PDC, 9519 Cherokee Lane, Cedar Hill, MO 63016-2527; (636) 274-4567, rpetro7776@aol.com.

- 13) All requests for the SUVCW ROTC awards should be sent to National Quartermaster, Danny L. Wheeler, PCinC, 5 Benny Lane, Ithaca, New York 14850; (607) 272-7314, QM@suvcw.org.
- 14) All Departments are encouraged to submit articles for the BANNER. Articles should be submitted to Banner Editor Stephen Michaels, PCinC, 6623 S. North Cape Road, Franklin, WI 53132, (414) 425-4648 (phone and fax), banner@suvcw.org.
- 15) The death of a Brother should be reported to National Chaplain, Jerome W. Kowalski, 206 E. Grantley, Elmhurst, IL 60126,paptom@msn.com. Please include the deceased Brothers full name, date of passing, name of Camp and Department and the rank and unit of his Union ancestor.
- 16) All Camps are instructed to forward annual reports, per capita and officer installation forms to their Department Headquarters **on time**. All Departments are instructed to forward annual reports, per capita and officer installation forms to National Headquarters **on time**. It may be necessary to drop members and suspend Camps to complete this obligation. Our Camps and Departments must be firm in their obligations.
- 17) Please make every effort to keep Camp and Department websites up to date. These websites serve as a vital means of communication, and for some Camps and Departments, the only means of communication. It is imperative that schedules of meetings, Events and other activities are maintained. These websites are also resources for the general public, especially those that are contemplating membership in our Order. We must show that we are an active organization.
- 18) All National Officers and Committees shall file reports of their activities for the coming year, with one to support the November Council of Administration meeting, a second to support the Spring Council of Administration meeting and a final report for the 132nd National Encampment. All Department Commanders shall file a report of activities occurring within their respective Departments upon the same schedule.
- 19) It is the intention of the Commander-in-Chief to continue the program of recognizing Brother's for their recruiting efforts. A Brother who recruits at least three new Members or Associates during the 2012-2013 administrative year will be declared a National Aide in General Orders and be issued a ribbon with the National Organization's colors to be pinned behind his membership badge. A Brother who recruits five or more new Brothers or Associates in that time will, in addition, receive a Certificate of Merit. All recruiting accomplishments are to be reported to the National Secretary through Department Secretaries by July 1, 2013.
- 20) I am looking forward to meeting as many Brothers as possible and addressing the challenges that we will face over the next year. Hope to see everyone in August 2013 at the 132nd National Encampment in Brookfield, Wisconsin.

Ordered this 21st Day of August, 2012.

Perlev E. Mellor.

Commander-In-Chief, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:

Eugene Mortorff

Secretary, National Order, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA & THE PACIFIC GENERAL WILLIAM PASSMORE CARLIN, CAMP 25

- 1. The VFW Post 2350 presents our National Colors
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. The Elko H.S. Band under the Direction of Mr. Walt Lovel will play the **National Anthem** of the United States of America.
- 4. **Opening Prayer** by Camp William Passmore Carlin, Chaplain Wayne L. Eder, Camp-25, Reno, NV
- 5. Remarks by Camp-25 Commander John Riggs
- 6. Elko H.S. Band
- 7. Remarks by VFW Post Commander
- 8. Remarks by Jerry D. Reynolds
- 9. Elko H.S. Band
- 10. Wreath Laying Ceremony with participants, Jerry Reynolds, Camp Commander John Riggs and Department Historian David A. Davis-Presentation of Flag
- 11. The *Poem* "TAPS" read by Camp- 25 member Brian I. Worcester
- 12. Recognition of Bill Johnson, Scout $3^{\rm rd}$ US Cavalry-Presentation of Flag
- 13. Closing **Prayer** by Camp Chaplain Wayne L. Eder
- 14. Bugle Call "TAPS" by Bugler Ray Ahrenholz, *Bugles Across America*





Indian Wars Congressional Medal of Honor



United States of America Indian Campaign

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

In 1866, Union Veterans of the Civil War organized into the *Grand Army of the Republic* (GAR) and became a social and political force that would control the destiny of the nation for more than six decades. Membership in the veterans' organization was restricted to individuals who had served in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Revenue Cutter Service during the Civil War, thereby limiting the life span of the GAR. The GAR existed until 1956.

In 1881 the GAR formed the *Sons of Veterans of the United States of America* (SV) to carry on its traditions and memory long after the GAR had ceased to exist. Membership was open to any man who could prove ancestry to a member of the GAR or to a veteran eligible for membership in the GAR. In later years, men who did not have the ancestry to qualify for hereditary membership, but who demonstrated a genuine interest in the Civil War and could subscribe to the purpose and objectives of the SUVCW, were admitted as Associates. This practice continues today.

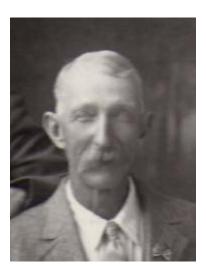
Many GAR Posts sponsored Camps of the SV. In 1925 the SV name was changed to *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* (SUVCW), under which its federal charter was issued in 1954. The SUVCW is legally recognized as the heir to, and representative of, the GAR.

Today, the National Organization of the SUVCW, headed by an annually elected Commander-in-Chief, oversees the operation of 26 Departments, each consisting of one or more states, a Department-at-Large, a National Membership-at-Large, and over 200 community based Camps. More than 6,360 men enjoy the benefits of membership in the only male organization dedicated to the principles of the GAR -- *Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty*. The SUVCW National Headquarters is located in the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

http://www.suvcw.org/ http://www.suvpac.org/camp25.html

MEMORIAL SERVICE HONORING HARRY REYNOLDS

RECIPIENT OF THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR



OCTOBER 13, 2012 ELKO, NEVADA

Co. M, 3rd United States Cavalry 9 September 1876 *Battle of Slim Buttes* Dakota Territory