CARLIN CAMP DISPATCH

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THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held 1 pm, Sunday, April 28, 2013, at the VFW Post 9211 Hall at 255 Veterans Historic Drive near its intersection with Baker Lane next to Moana Park.

FUNERAL FOR REAL SON WALTER ROODE

A funeral service with full military honors will be held for General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25 member and Real Son Walter Roode, who passed away at age 99 on January 19, 2013. The service will be held at 1 pm, on Saturday, May 4, 2013, at the Memorial Hall located at 449 West Sierra, Portola, California. Camp members have been invited to speak.

DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

A group of ladies belonging to different tents of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War in southern Nevada and parts of California are forming a tent in northern Nevada. If you know of any women who would be interested in joining or transferring their membership closer to home, please contact Phyllis Moats of 171 Pete Hendrichs Road, Yerington, Nevada, 89447, by email at phyllisjomoats@yahoo.com or by phone at 775-781-4065.

150TH ANNIVERSARY OF NEVADA VOLUNTEERS

2013 marks 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. The Nevada Volunteers never saw action in the eastern theater, but they were kept busy chasing and fighting Indians and reining in Copperheads and criminals. They eventually helped man Forts Churchill and Ruby in Nevada, Camp Independence in California, Camp Douglas in Utah, and Fort Bridger in what is now Wyoming as well as a number of small temporary posts in between. When the war ended, some Nevada troops were fighting Indians with California and Michigan troops as far away as Wyoming. For more information, see: Fort Churchill, Nevada Military Outpost of the 1860's, 1981, edited by Stanley W. Paher, researched by Kathryn Totton; Nevada Volunteers in the Civil War, 1959, and The Sagebrush Soldiers, 1962, by Philip Dodd Smith, Jr.; and The War of the Rebellion: a Compilation of the Official records of the Union and Confederate Armies, 1897, Series I, vol. L, parts 1 and 2.

COMMANDER RIGGS' COMMUNIQUE – Camp 25

By Commander John A. Riggs, BS in Ed., M.Ed, General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, Dept. of California and Pacific (CA, NV, and HI) – Jan. 6, 2013

CIVIL WAR SERVICE: The Honorable Orion Clemens was appointed Secretary of Nevada Territory, 1861-1864, by President James Buchanan on March 2, 1861.

He is the older brother of Samuel Clemens who served as his secretary for a time for the State of Nevada, but the government forgot to provide a salary for Samuel.

Orion ran for Secretary of State when Nevada formed the new state, but made the mistake of thinking he didn't have to campaign because everyone already knew him. Backroom politicos cut him out and devastated him personally.

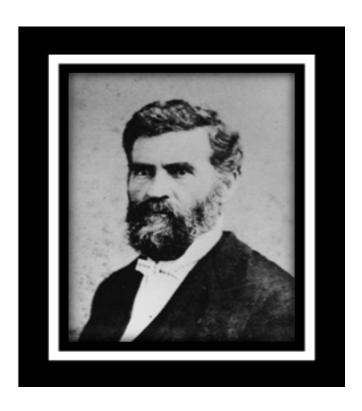
Per the Legislative Council Bureau, he was a member of the Nevada Assembly from Nov 1865 to Nov 1866, for Ormsby County as a representative of the Union Party. In 1866, he resigned and returned to Missouri. He was very disappointed in his treatment by not only the political activists, parties and voters he had served so faithfully while he was here. He expended much of his own fortune, and helped forge Nevada into a state during and after the Civil War. He was Acting Governor on numerous occasions and Commander of the State Militia when he signed the orders creating the Nevada 1st Cavalry for Civil War service.

God Bless him, Mollie and dear little Jennie for being such an important part of US and Nevada history. He does not get enough credit as a NV pioneer and is over shadowed by the antics of his younger brother Mark Twain.

Note: Unless otherwise noted, all photos were by Commander John A. Riggs



Commander John A. Riggs standing in front of Secretary of Nevada Territory Orion Clemens house in Carson City, NV: Orion lived here with his wife Mary E., i.e. Mollie, from 1864 to 1866. (Photo by SVC D. Davis.)



Nevada State Archives photo of Orion Clemens.



Clemens home with SVC Davis to the right.



Nevada Historical Marker by Clemens home.

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Above, photos of sidewalk sign in front of Orion Clemens home showing Samuel Clemens, aka Mark Twain stayed with the family and photo of family home. Photo of *Jennie Clemens* grave in Carson City's Lone Mountain cemetery with additional marker: "YOU ARE NOT ALONE JENNIE. YOUR PRESBYTERIAN SISTERS CHERISH YOUR BIBLE" plot 1E-07-06. Before Jennie died in 1865, she had been raising money to purchase a bible for her parish church, after her death, the program was completed with the help of her uncle and the bible was presented. Her uncle also helped raise the funds that built the Presbyterian Church in Carson City, Nevada. In the next public domain photo, Jennie Clemens all dressed up in her grammar school finery, posing for picture at school in Carson City, NV in about 1865. She was a very serious and good student and a bright little star in the community. She was born in Iowa on June 12, 1855, died December 25, 1865 in Carson City, Nevada.

DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC ENCAMPMENT

March 8-9, 2013

The 127th Annual Department Encampment took place on March 8-9, 2013, at the NCO Club at Camp San Luis Obispo in San Luis Obispo, California. The Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War held their Department meetings simultaneously in another room. Carlin Camp 25 was represented by Commander John Riggs, Senior Vice Commander David A. Davis, and Secretary-Treasurer Brian Worcester. We were comfortably billeted on base in an historic 1950s barracks building complete with period plumbing, though most of the furnishings were from various later periods of the last century. The Commander-in-Chief Perley Mellor attended the Encampment. The new Department officers are listed in Department Order No. 1 below.

FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL LINCOLN TOMB CEREMONY

April 13, 2013

All are invited to the 57th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony which is sponsored by the SUVCW and MOLLUS. It will be held at 10 am on Saturday, April 13, 2013, at President Lincoln's tomb in the Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, Illinois. The headquarters for the event is the Abraham Lincoln Hotel in Springfield. The ceremony will be followed at 3 pm by the Dr. Benjamin Stephenson Memorial Service, hosted by the Department of Illinois, at Dr. Stephenson's grave in the Rose Hill Cemetery in Petersburg, Illinois. For registration and other information, please go to http://www.suvcw.org/lincolnday.htm.

ANNUAL WEST COAST CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE

November 1-4, 2013

The annual West Coast Civil War Round Table Conference will be sponsored by the San Joaquin Valley Round Table. The Conference will be held on the Carnival cruise ship <u>Inspiration</u> as part of a Mexican Baja Cruise out of Long Beach, and the topic will be, "American Civil War 1863". For details, visit http://sjvcwrt.com/2012-September-Bugle%20Call.pdf or see the flyer at http://www.sacramentocwrt.com/events/WCC2013.pdf.

FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE DAY

November 23, 2013

All are invited to the 57th Annual Remembrance Day observance which is sponsored by the Sons of Veterans Reserve, the Military Department of the SUVCW. A parade and other activities will be held on Saturday, November 23, 2013 in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. The headquarters for the event is the Wyndham Hotel in Gettysburg. For registration and other information, please go to http://www.suvcw.org/RembrDay/2013/2013remembranceday.pdf.

FEBRUARY 17, 2013, 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 Chaplain Wayne.
- 2). All Brothers in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

- 3). Roll Call: John Riggs, David A. Davis, Frank Wood, Wayne Eder, Tyrone Davis Ray Ahrenholz, Ken Auld, Vincent Vitale, Chris Crawford and Brian Worcester and Guest, Patricia Worcester.
- 4). Commander's Report: Commander Riggs spoke about his extensive trip to Hawaii and possible Civil War contacts. He also displayed numerous photographs taken during his trip.
- 5). History and Memorials Report: The report will be forthcoming pending Brother Davis's repair of his computer.
- 6). Chaplain's Report: Chaplain Wayne reported on the status of our participation in Memorial Day activities at Virginia City as well as a Governor's Proclamation for the States anniversary. Brother Wayne has been in contact with other groups/organizations to further and coordinate these activities.
- 7). Secretary/ Treasurers Report: Brother Brian stated the US Bank balance is \$592.04. Minutes of last meeting accepted.
- 8). New/Old Business: A general discussion mainly led by Brothers Ray and Wayne with regards to the human remains of two Union soldiers that have not been properly interred. Current status and disposition will need further action. Brothers were reminded of the services to be held in Portola, CA. for Brother Roode in the spring. It should be noted that prior to this Camp meeting the Camp held its annual "Open House" for the public and also served light refreshments. The general public attended to view period items and displays; the print and television media also attended and the Camp was front page in the Reno newspaper.
- 9). Patriotic Instructor's Report: Brother Tyrone reminded us of Lincoln's birthday as well as President's Day.
- 10). A closing Prayer was offered by Chaplain Wayne and the meeting concluded at 1545 Hours.
- 11). The next Camp meeting will be on 28 April 2013 at 1300 Hours at the VFW Post 9211.

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

HISTORY AND MEMORIALS REPORT

February 17, 2013

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

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Commander John Riggs and Senior Vice Commander and Historian David A. Davis, PCC, visited the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) field office in Carson City and spoke with several people about the procedure for putting a marker up in a cemetery on BLM land. This has to do with Medal of Honor recipient Thomas Kane/Bartholomew Keenan, who, as noted in previous reports, is buried in the Public section of the Gold Hill Cemetery. That cemetery is administered to by the BLM, and for historical preservation reasons, the BLM is reluctant to allow new markers unless they are a faithful replica of a known missing one. Mr. Kane presently lacks a marker and may never had anything more than a wooden one. We would like to honor with one from the Veterans Administration noting his MOH. The BLM personnel said to write up a report and a plan, and they would pass it by their superiors.

MILITIAS AND ARMORIES

Commander John Riggs and Senior Vice Commander and Historian David A. Davis, PCC, have been researching the Civil War-era militia units and their armories. The main armory of the period was Fort Churchill, but it appears from the 1865 Adjutant General's report, inventory and

record keeping was quite shoddy. Local militias had armories of sorts – commonly rented space. The <u>Territorial Enterprise</u> noted two sites for the militias in Virginia City, one of which burned in the 1875 fire, but neither site has been positively identified yet. The old armory building in Carson City, which we at first thought dated to the Civil War, only goes back to 1890.

NEVADA VOLUNTEERS SPREADSHEET

Historian David A. Davis, PCC, is compiling a spreadsheet of the members of the First Nevada Cavalry and Infantry. The list from the 1865 Adjutant General's Report was entered and expanded on and supplemented with data from muster cards and other sources. Columns were included for birth and death dates and places, burial places, spouses' names, and if photos of the gravestones are known to exist. The muster cards were created by the Federal Works Progress Administration (WPA) in 1937-1938 and indexes material on the original Civil War muster rolls. The cavalry ones are on the State Archives website. I acquired TIF scans of the old muster lists from State Archives but have not had time to look through them in detail yet. The spreadsheet will continue to be updated and corrected as other information becomes available and when typos are found.

RECENT DEPARTMENT ORDERS

For a complete list, see Department website: http://www.suvpac.org/rules/ordersindex.html.

Department Order No. 1 SERIES 2013-2014 11 March 2013

ELECTION, APPOINTED OFFICERS, AND DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, by the Department Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>: Having been duly elected Department Commander by the 127th Annual Department Encampment in regular session at Camp San Luis Obispo, California, it is with sincere appreciation for the support and confidence shown to me that I assume command of the Department of California and Pacific for the term, 2013-2014. I, along with my officers, will strive to bring honor to the memory of our Union ancestors through the good works of our Order during the coming year.

I hereby establish my residence in the City of Salinas, County of Monterey, and State of California as the Department Headquarters. Correspondence on any matter is most welcomed and may be sent to my Post office box address, P.O. Box 1641, Monterey, CA, 93942, or to my e-mail address, commander@suvpac.org. Camp reports and dues shall be sent to the Department Secretary-Treasurer at:

Owen R. Stiles, 284 Hazel Street, Gridley, CA 95948 E-mail: ostiles@wcisp.com; Phone: 530-846-3251

<u>Section 2</u>: Department Brothers who were duly elected and installed by Commander-in-Chief Perley Mellor at the 127th Annual Department Encampment on March 09, 2013, are as follows:

Commander – Timothy Paul Reese, PCC

Sr. Vice-Commander – Thomas T. Graham, PCC

Jr. Vice-Commander - Dean A. Enderlin PCC

Secretary – Owen R. Stiles, PCC

Treasurer - Owen R Stiles, PCC

Council 1 - Bro. Glen L. Roosevelt, PDC

Council 2 - Bro. Jerry R. Sayre, PDC

Council 3 - Bro. Charles W. Mabie, PDC

Section 3: Department Brothers are appointed as follows:

Chaplain - Bro. Thomas E. Helmantoler, PCC

Patriotic Instructor – Frank C. Avila, PCC

Counselor - D. Brad Schall, PCnC

Historian - David A. Davis, PCC

Guide – Jamin Gjerman

Guard – Kevin R. Coyne

Signals Officer - . Tad D. Campbell, PDC

Color Bearer - Jerry R. Sayre, PDC

Graves Registration Officer – Kenneth Felton

Civil War Memorials Officer - Dean A. Enderlin, PCC

GAR Highway Officer - Thomas P. Chumley, PCC

GAR Highway Special Aid – Andrew Brown

Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator - Charles W. Mabie, PDC

The California Column Newsletter Editor – Joseph Marti, PCC

<u>Section 4</u>: The following appointed positions are hereby created:

Color Guard Coordinator, who shall be responsible for assisting Camps and the Department in the formation and conduct of Color Guards.

ROTC Coordinator, who shall be responsible for the coordination of the ROTC / JROTC Recognition Program within the Department.

<u>Section 5</u>: The following Brothers are appointed as follows:

Color Guard Coordinator - Bro. Paul Lavrischeff

ROTC Coordinators - Bro. Thomas E. Helmantoler, PCC (Southern California and Southern Nevada); Bro. Owen R. Stiles (Northern California and Northern Nevada); and Bro. Jeffrey Malone (Southern and Central California).

The foregoing Department Order is proclaimed this 11th day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand thirteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-eighth, in the City of Salinas, County of Monterey, State of California by Timothy Paul Reese, Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: /s/ Timothy P. Reese, PCC Department Commander Department of California and Pacific

ATTEST:

By: /s/ Owen R. Stiles, PCC Department Secretary-Treasurer

RECENT GENERAL ORDERS

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

General Order No. 16 SERIES 2012-2013 29 January 2013

It is with deep regret that Passmore Carlin Camp 25, Department of California and Pacific has reported the passing of Real Son Walter Edward Roode at age 99. Brother Roode passed away on Saturday January 19, 2013 at 10:00 A.M. He was born in Belchertown, MA on June 8, 1913 the son of Stephen Washington Roode and Mary (Peereboom) Roode. His father served with Co. K, 9th Vermont Infantry and was captured, paroled, and reenlisted with Co. B, 2nd Battalion, 17th U. S. Infantry. He fought for the Union in the Battles of Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Wilderness, and Petersburg, among others. Walter's sister and Real Daughter Montiel Helen (Roode) McAuley, age 97, resides in Massachusetts.

Brother Roode is also survived by a daughter, Bonnie Sechrist of Pennsylvania, step-daughter Kathy Swartz, and his caregiver daughter-in-law Janie McBride. He has many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Walter was a WWII veteran and Past Post Commander of the American Legion.

Messages of condolence may be sent to Mrs. Janie McBride, 935 Sierra Plum Circle, Portola, CA 96122

Ordered this 29th Day of January, 2013.

Perley 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

General Order No. 17

SERIES 2012-2013

1 February 2013

- 1). I am creating a new Special Committee called **Regulation** to completely over haul the SUVCW Regulations. This committee will have a completion date of August 13 17, 2014, at the National Encampment in Marietta, Georgia.
- 2). The committee Chair will be PCinC James B. Pahl and the committee will also consist of PCinC Donald Darby, PCinC Richard D. Orr, PDC Alan Russ, and PDC Robert J. Wolz. The committee will have access to the Brothers in the Order if assistance is needed.

Ordered this 1st Day of February, 2013.

Perley 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

General Order No. 18

SERIES 2012-2013

22 March 2013

It is with deep regret that I report the passing of Real Daughter Emily Jane Dinsmoor Stevens. She passed away on March 12, 2013. It is important that we remember all of our ancestors Sons and Daughters in our prayers. Below is what was reported by Merle Rudebuach, PDC, and Secretary Department of Nebraska.

I am reporting on the death of a Real Daughter who resided in Nebraska. Her name is Emily Jane Dinsmoor Stevens, and death date is March 12th, 2013. She was the daughter of Samuel Perry Dinsmoor, (recorded as Dinsmore, in military records) Co. B, 116th Ohio Infantry. Enlisted 12 Aug 1862, discharged 14 Jun 1865. He was born on 8 Mar 1843 and died 21 July 1932. He lived in Lucas, KS where he built his home of limestone and surrounded by 150 statues and trees made of cement which is known as the "Garden of Eden". He is buried in a 40 ft. tall mausoleum on the property. It is called the most unique home, for living or dead, on earth.

He was at the battle of Gettysburg, and observed Lee surrender. His daughter Emily was one of two children born to his second wife, who was 20, when he was 81 years old.

I am requesting that all membership badges, Camp and Department charters and the National website be draped in black until 21 April 2013 in remembrance of Real Daughter Emily Jane Dinsmoor Stevens.

Ordered this 22nd Day of March, 2013.

Perley 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

CARLIN CAMP 25 REPORT

Camp Activities for March 2012 to March 2013 By John Riggs Camp Commander

STATISTICS

MEMBERSHIP

We presently have 12 full members and 5 associate members and meeting attendance has ranged between 5 and 8. The associate members are working on their lineages.

EAGLE SCOUTS

Because of a lack of manpower and especially funds, we do not have an active Eagle Scout program. However, we will send out certificates if contacted. Also, Al Peterson of Keith Camp 12 in Las Vegas has been sending certificates to Eagle Scouts in all parts of Nevada for most of 2012. Thank you, Al.

VETERANS DOCUMENTED

Carlin Camp 25 officers spent a lot of time locating and visiting cemeteries within and out of our boundaries. They forwarded over 30 names for research to the Camp Graves Registration Officer Don Huffman for entry into the Graves Registration Database. Don entered 9 newly verified veterans to the Database and corrected and updated information on 6 other entries. He also made entries for 5 more veterans from other states while in the course of doing his own genealogy. He sent emails to 4 other camps when he discovered Civil War veterans in their areas that were over looked for some reason. He currently has 4 requests for photos from cemeteries for the verification of markers. Two other requests for photos were honored and have been forwarded to him. Camp 25 still has within its boundaries over 100 Civil War veterans to have their burial locations and military service verified for markers to order and place. Not all hours spent in research yield results that will verify veterans and their service to the degree of certainty that he and the Department would like to see. He personally spent over 180 hours this last year, mostly computer time, verifying and keeping track of several lists, entries, and correspondence.

One of the men being researched is Bartholomew Keenan who served in Robertson's Battery, 2nd Artillery during the Civil War and received the Medal of Honor for actions in Arizona while serving in Co. G, 1st U.S. Cavalry during the Indian Wars. He was mustered out of Fort Bidwell, California in 1873 and moved to the Comstock. Under the name of Thomas Kane, he was arrested in Gold Hill, Nevada, for threatening to shoot his wife. He was declared insane but committed suicide in his jail cell. His Medal of Honor was discovered a short time later in the cell. He is in an unmarked grave in the Gold Hill Cemetery, which is under supervision of the Bureau of Land Management. We want to honor him with a marker denoting his Medal of Honor, that is, if the BLM will let us.

PUBLICITY

MEDIA

Since it is free through the internet, we have been advertising our meetings through several area newspapers. We have also been advertising our functions through the area newspapers and television websites, and on our Facebook page..

LIVING HISTORY FAIRE

Carlin Camp 25 had a table at the Living History Faire held May 19, 2012 at Miguel Ribera Park in Reno. At least 50 people came by and looked at our displays of Civil War and G.A.R. memorabilia and maps.

CARSON CITY RENDEZVOUS

Carlin Camp 25 had a tent at the Carson City Rendezvous held June 8-10, 2012 at Mills Park in Carson City. At least 50 people came by and looked at our displays of Civil War and G.A.R. memorabilia and maps.

NEVADA DAY

Carlin Camp 25 took part in the Nevada Day Parade held October 27, 2012, in Carson City, Nevada. The parade's theme was "Honoring Our Military and Families – Past, Present, Future. Camp 25's entry was a pick-up truck and towing a trailer hauling a canon supported by a column of the Department of the Pacific, Federal Battalion Reenactors marching behind.

MEMORIAL AND VETERANS DAYS ACTIVITIES

MEMORIAL DAY

Carlin Camp 25 participated in the 9:00 am service hosted by the VFW and American Legion at the G.A.R. O.M. Mitchel Post 69 plot at the Hillside Cemetery in Reno. At 2:00 pm, Camp 25 held a short service and laid a wreath at the Civil War statue in the GAR Custer Post 5 plot at Carson City's Lone Mountain Cemetery.

VETERANS DAY

Carlin Camp 25 took part in the Reno Veterans Day parade and fielded an SUV with the flags, signs, and bunting. That afternoon we held a short service and laid a wreath at the Civil War statue in the GAR Custer Post 5 plot at Carson City's Lone Mountain Cemetery.

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

TRUCKEE TOMBSTONE DEDICATION

On June 23, 2012, under the auspices of Carlin Camp 25, new Government issued tombstones for six previously unmarked Civil War Union veterans' graves were dedicated at the Sierra Mountain Cemetery in Truckee, California. The program was adapted from the 1917 G.A.R. Service Union veterans. The participants included the Battleborn Civil War Reenactors, Sons of Veterans Reserve 3rd U. S. Artillery, California Congressman Tom McClintock; Easy Sound, Truckee; Mountain Belles; Patriot Guard Riders; Railroad Regulators 601, Truckee; Truckee Civil Air Patrol; Truckee Donner Historical Society; and others.

HARRY REYNOLDS MEDAL OF HONOR CEREMEONY

On October 13, 2012, in the Elko City Cemetery, 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, held a memorial service honoring Harry Reynolds, who received the Congressional Medal of Honor during the Indian Wars. At least a hundred people attended. Reynolds was a private in Troop M, 3rd U. S. Cavalry during the Indian Wars and died in 1930. He received the Congressional Medal of Honor for his action at Slim Buttes,

Dakota Territory in 1876. He charged into a ravine with Sergeant Kirkwood and captured Chief American Horse and his entire family of the Miniconjou Sioux village. During the battle, Crazy Horse with hundreds of Sioux warriors watched from the ridges, but reinforcements arrived from the 3rd Regiment before he could intervene. Both men received the Congressional Medal of Honor for their service, but no one knew of Reynolds' accomplishment until long after his death.

Two flags were presented to Reynold's grandson Jerry, one for his grandfather and one for Cavalry Scout Bill Johnson, also buried in the Elko City Cemetery. Camp Commander John Riggs acquired the two U.S. flags from the Nevada Department of Veterans Affairs. During the Civil War Sesquicentennial held at Fort Churchill, Nevada, by the Federal Battalion Reenactors and the Nevada Civil War Volunteers on October 6, Commander Riggs and Chaplain Wayne Eder held an official flag dedication and folding ceremony.

SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE AND ARTILLERY

Carlin Camp 25 brother Wayne Eder formed Battery A, 3rd U.S. Artillery, 6th Military District, Sons of Veterans Reserve. The Battery acquired a Model 1841 Mountain Howitzer and a Model 1838 Coehorn Mortar.

REAL SON

Camp 25 member and Real Son Walter Roode of Portola, California, passed away January 19, 2013. He was 99 years old, and served on the Camp Council.

Submitted March 9, 2013:

John Riggs Camp Commander General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War