

# CARLIN CAMP DISPATCH

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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

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## THE NEXT MEETING

**The next meeting will be held June 7 in Dayton after the Pvt. Scott Carnal event (see below).**

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CAMP ORDER No. 3

Series 2015

May 15, 2015

## MEMORIAL DAY, 2015

By the authority vested in me as Commander of General William Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25, Department of California and Pacific, by the Camp Bylaws, the Department Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Memorial Day 2015: All Camp members shall demonstrate Honor and Respect for all Veterans that dedicated themselves to the preservation of principles set forth by the United States of America on Memorial Day by flying the Flag of the United States of America and taking a few moments to pray for the Veterans that sacrificed their lives and their loved ones who grieve that loss.

The foregoing Camp Order is proclaimed this 15th day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen, in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada by John A. Riggs, Camp Commander of General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(CAMP SEAL)

By Order of: /s/ John A. Riggs, Camp Commander, Gen. William Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25

ATTEST: By: /s/ Brian Worcester, Camp Secretary

## MEMORIAL CEREMONY HONORING PVT. SCOTT CARNAL

June 7, 2015



A memorial ceremony will be held honoring Private Scott Carnal at his grave in the Dayton Cemetery at 2 pm, Sunday, June 7, 2015. Private Carnal was a former slave who served in Company K, 79th U.S. Colored Infantry during the Civil War. He was disabled from a severe leg wound received during the Battle of Honey Spring, Indian Territory (later Oklahoma) in July 1863. His leg was amputated some years later. He died June 7, 1917. Participants include representatives of: Carlin Camp 25, the Historical Society of Dayton Valley, the Ghost Soldiers Motorcycle Club, Chapters 1 and 2, the Nevada Civil War Volunteers, and the War Veterans Memorial Association of Northern Nevada. The event will be sponsored by the Historical Society of Dayton Valley.

# BOWERS MANSION

May 17, 2015

On Saturday, May 17, 2015, Bowers Mansion Regional Park in Washoe Valley hosted a living history event, which included tours of the mansion and a Civil War encampment manned up the Nevada Civil War Volunteers reenactors. Carlin Camp 25 members in attendance included Camp Commander John A. Riggs; Senior Vice Commander/Historian David A. Davis, PCC; Junior Vice Commander Edward G. Carson; Secretary-Treasurer Brian I. Worcester; Patriotic Instructor Tyrone W. Davis; Bugler Ray Arhenholz; and members Robert Burr and David Cooper. The last three also manned the encampment. At least 50 people visited and toured the mansion.

## MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

May 23-25, 2015

Members of Carlin Camp 25 attended a number of Memorial weekend activities. On Saturday May 23 at noon, Virginia City held their Celebration of Heroes parade between rain showers. Camp Commander John A. Riggs; Senior Vice Commander/Historian David A. Davis, PCC; Junior Vice Commander Edward G. Carson; Secretary-Treasurer Brian I. Worcester; and Patriotic Instructor Tyrone W. Davis participated. David drove Ed's van with the signs on the sides with John riding shotgun. Brian and Ed marched along with Ed displaying the camp colors. It rained but stopped before the parade and rained again after the parade.

On Saturday and Sunday, the Nevada Civil War Volunteers reenactors camped out in front of the Fort Churchill museum and held a series of skirmishes. Camp Commander John A. Riggs; Senior Vice Commander/Historian David A. Davis, PCC; and Junior Vice Commander Edward G. Carson visited the NCWV that Sunday afternoon. Camp 25 members present who are also members of the NCWV included Camp Bugler Ray Ahrenholz and David Cooper. After the reenactment, a visit was paid to the Wadsworth Fraternal Cemetery.



Junior Vice Commander Edward G. Carson (l) and Commander John A. Riggs (r)



Cannon fire.



Union skirmish line.



Confederates in the ruins.



Battlefield nurse.



On Monday, May 25, Carlin Camp 25 participated in the Memorial Day morning service sponsored by the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars and their auxiliaries at the Grand Army of the Republic General Ormsby McKnight Mitchel Post 69 plot at the Hillside Cemetery in Reno. Carlin Camp 25 members present were: Camp Commander John A. Riggs; Senior Vice Commander/Historian David A. Davis, PCC; Junior Vice Commander Edward G. Carson; Secretary-Treasurer Brian I. Worcester; Bugler Ray Ahrenholz; Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator David Hess; and Guard Frank Wood.



(Left to right) Senior Vice Commander/Historian David A. Davis, PCC; Camp Commander John A. Riggs; Mike Creager; Nevada Congressman Mark Amodei; Secretary-Treasurer Brian I. Worcester; Bugler Ray Ahrenholz; and Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator David Hess.

## **2015 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT**

**August 19-23, 2015**

The 134th National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 129th National Encampment of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and the 128th National Encampment of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held on August 19-23, 2015, at the Omni Richmond Hotel in Richmond, Virginia. For registration and other information as it becomes available, please go to the National website <http://www.suvcw.org>.

# MEETING MINUTES

FEBRUARY 22, 2015

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. This is an abridged version of the minutes, and a full version complete with pictures and write-ups following through on announced event participation by Junior Vice Commander, Edward G. Carson, Col. U.S. Army (R) are posted under Meeting Minutes on the Camp website at <http://www.suvcw.org/camp25/minutes.html>.

- 1). Call to Order was given by Camp Commander John Riggs.
- 2). All Brothers and guests in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America led by JVC Edward Carson.
- 3). Opening Prayer was given by JVC Edward Carson.
- 4). Roll Call: John Riggs, David Davis, Tyrone Davis, Frank Wood, Edward Carson, Roger Linscott, Ray Ahrenholz, Robert Burr, and Brian Worcester.
- 5). Guests to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) were Chaun O. Mortier, Dennis Cook, and Greg Zirbel.
- 6). Minutes of previous Camp Meeting dated December 7, 2014 were approved.
- 7). Commander's Report: Commander John reported on the following topics:
  - A). Commander Riggs addressed the upcoming scheduled 129th Department of California and Pacific's Encampment scheduled March 6th through March 8th, 2015, at Sacramento, California. See pictures of the event below.
  - B). Commander Riggs reported that Carlin Camp 25 will participate in the weapons certification to be held at Dayton on March 28th. Camp 25 brothers Riggs, Carson, Worcester, and Burr attended. See pictures below. Michael Allgeier, President, Northern Nevada & Northern California Confederate Brigade Commander, was the Officer-In-Charge of the event.
  - C). Commander Riggs reported that Carlin Camp 25 will participate in the Dayton Civil War Soldier Memorial Ceremony honoring PVT Scott Carnal, Company K, 79th U.S. Colored Infantry, U.S. Civil War on June 7, 2015 at the Dayton Cemetery starting at 2 P.M.
  - D). Commander Riggs reported that Carlin Camp 25 will participate in the Nevada Historical Society's Sesquicentennial of the Civil War scheduled for April 4, 2015 from 1100 – 1600 hours. Our Camp 25 was the main organizer participating in the event that included our SVR – U.S. 3rd Artillery, 81st Pennsylvania Infantry, Ruth Lum McCunn the author of CHINESE YANKEE, Nevada Cadet Band, Jan Loverin, of the NHS provided a lecture on Victorian Fashion and Dress Reform, and Commander John Riggs along with SVC Davis provided a history of the Civil war Forts of Nevada.
  - E). Commander Riggs stated that he was going to locate the Civil War Marker located behind the California State Capital Building.
  - F). Commander Riggs again reported on the following action items that Brother Edward Carson and he are working together for resolution in 2015: (1) Riggs and Carson to follow up with Kat Miller regarding the state of Nevada to place a plaque at Fernley Veterans Cemetery for Medal of Honor recipient Private James C. Reid AKA Reed; (2) the burial of the remains of an unknown Union soldier in the GAR cemetery at Reno; and (3) Riggs and Carson to follow up with the Commander of Hawthorne Army Depot regarding the issuance of the "Patriotic Civilian Service Award" for Camp 25. G. Commander Riggs reported that Camp 25's BYLAWS were submitted to the Department prior to the Encampment.
- 8). Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Brother Brian stated our U.S. Bank Balance as of February 22nd was \$1,188.24. Commander John A. Riggs and JVC Edward G. Carson has been added as authorized signatures to Camp 25's checking account with US Bank in addition to Secretary-Treasurer Brian Worcester.
- 9). Senior Vice-Commander's Report: Brother David Davis provided his History and Memorials Report and later provided the Department's History Report.
- 10). GRO report was made in abstention by Brother Don Huffman.
- 11). Junior Vice-Commander's Report: Brother Edward Carson went into further details regarding paragraph 7.F. above. He also brought up that our camp should purchase in the future a SUVCW Camp 25 Banner that includes the citation that the Camp is a recipient of the Abraham Lincoln Award 2014, which Banner to be used in future meetings and parades. In addition, Brother Carson proposed that Camp 25 continue to explore

alternative ways to raise funds for the Camp to allow it the address future financial needs such as banners, flags, Color Corps Uniforms and Rifles. It was agreed to have Brother Carson continue to report on the motions for the next meeting.

12). Brother Tyrone Winthrop Davis, Eagle Scout, had no report at this time.

13). Wayne L. Eder, Chaplain of Camp 25 was absent.

14). New Business:

A). Commander Riggs was awarded by the Northern Nevada Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) its Law Enforcement Commendation Medal. Brother Roger Linscott presented the award to Commander Riggs. Brother Linscott was representing the Nevada Society Sons of the American Revolution, Past State President. Brother Roger Linscott, Retired Reno Police Officer, was also awarded the Law Enforcement Commendation Medal during the SAR's Washington Birthday Luncheon held in February 2015.

B). Commander Riggs gave the SUVCW Oath of Membership to Camp 25's new member Robert Burr. His ancestor was 2nd Great Grandfather Steuben Louis Cantwell, born 1833 - died 1911, who served in Company H, Indiana Infantry as a Substitute.

15). Old Business:

A). Again, it was noted that Camp 25's Website includes a schedule of events (including directions and maps) officers' comments, newsletter, and related up-dates, which is part of the Department of California & Pacific and the SUVCW National website. In addition, please be advised that we also have a Facebook Camp 25 page with numerous pictures and commentary.

B). Camp 25 Name Badges have been provided to most of the members who have attended the meetings to date. However, new ones can be ordered through Commander Riggs in the future at a price of \$20.00 per individual. See below example. All members are encouraged to obtain Camp 25 Name Badges.

16). Adjournment: At 1500 Hours with a closing Prayer offered by JVC Edward Carson. The next Camp Meeting was scheduled for April 26, 2015 (at the VFW, Post 9211; but it has been subsequently **rescheduled for April 19, 2015** due to a schedule conflict. Twenty of twenty one members have paid their dues to date. Membership cards were issued in February 2015. Our current Camp 25 Roster is provided below for your records as well as Camp Officers.

February 22, 2015 meeting minutes have been provided by JVC Edward G. Carson.

In Fraternity, Charity and loyalty,

Edward G. Carson, Colonel, U.S. Army Retired

Junior Vice-Commander - 2015

General William Passmore Carlin, Camp 25

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## **HISTORY AND MEMORIALS REPORT**

February 22, 2015

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

### **NEVADA FORTS PRESENTATION**

As part of the upcoming April 4th Civil War event at the Nevada Historical Society (NHS), Commander John A. Riggs and Senior Vice Commander/Historian David A. Davis, PCC, will give a Power Point presentation on Nevada forts mostly of the Civil War era. The NHS staff, especially curator Sherilyn Haynes-Zorn, has been helping with the presentation and reproducing photographs and other materials. David recently acquired the following books which cover old forts including those in Nevada:

Old Forts of the Far West, Herbert M. Hart, 1965, Bonanza Books, NY, 192 p.

Old Forts of the Northwest, Herbert M. Hart, 1963, Superior Publishing Co. Seattle, WA, 192 p.

Old Forts of the Northwest, Herbert M. Hart, 1963, Superior Publishing Co. Seattle, WA, 192 p.

Pioneer Forts of the West, Herbert M. Hart, 1967, Superior Publishing Co. Seattle, WA, 192 p.

Tour Guide to Old Forts of New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Utah, and Colorado, Herbert M. Hart, 1981, Pruett Publishing Co., Boulder, CO and The Old Army Press, Fort Collins, CO, 50 p.

Tour Guide to Old Western Forts, Herbert M. Hart, 1980, Pruett Publishing Co., Boulder, CO and The Old Army Press, Fort Collins, CO, 212 p.

Herbert M. Hart is a graduate of Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism. He attained the rank of colonel in Marine Corps and circumnavigated the earth at least five times with the U.S. fleet during his career. He served in Korea, Vietnam, and the Middle East. He is an expert photographer and former assistant editor of the Marines' magazine The Leatherneck. From the 1950s onward, he travelled in excess of 60,000 miles with his wife and children in tow visiting about 600 sites across the West as well as spending countless hours researching the forts at the National Archives. He helped found the Council on America's Military Past (<http://www.campjamp.org>) and was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for his research and books.

Other books recently acquired in part for this project include:

Historic Monuments of Nevada, Dave Bassdo (editor), 1979, Falcon Hill Press, Sparks, NV, 81 p.

Tour Guide to the Old West, Alice Cromie, 1977, Quadrangle/The New York Times Book Co., New York, NY, 464 p.

## **CALIFORNIA AND THE CIVIL WAR**

January 27 - June 1, 2015

The Placer County Museum in the Old Courthouse in Auburn is displaying graphic panels from their exhibit entitled California and the Civil War. Part One of the exhibit runs to March 31 and describes California from European contact to the outbreak of the Civil War in April, 1861. Part Two portrays California's experience during the Civil War. For more details, see: <http://www.visitplacer.com/placer-county-calendar-of-events.aspx?eventID=6729>.

## **RECENT CAMP ORDERS**

For a complete list, see the Camp website: <http://www.suypac.org/camp25/rules/orders15.html>

### **CAMP ORDER No. 3**

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### **MEMORIAL DAY, 2015**

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(CAMP SEAL)

By Order of: /s/ John A. Riggs, Camp Commander, Gen. William Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25

ATTEST: By: /s/ Brian Worcester, Camp Secretary

## **RECENT DEPARTMENT ORDERS**

One Department Order was issued since March. For a complete list, see the Department website: <http://www.suypac.org/rules/ordersindex.html>.

### **DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 3**

**SERIES 2015-2016 April 30, 2015**

**DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC**

**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**

### **INSTALLATION OF HENRY C. VEATCH CAMP NO. 30**

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 with great pleasure that I announce;

Section 1: That the installation of HENRY C. VEATCH Camp No. 30 as an active camp within the Department of California and Pacific. Installation of the camp is effective April 21, 2015, as this is the date of ranking for the camp established by Commander in Chief Tad D. Campbell. We welcome Henry C Veatch Camp 30 and its fourteen brothers to the Department of California and Pacific.

Section 2: As such, I commend the efforts of all involved in the process, including: Owen R Stiles, PCC, Camp Organizer for his efforts in this process. The new brothers of the camp who put forth their time and effort over the past several months to ensure the camp would come into being. Commander Owen R Stiles and the other newly elected officers of the camp who stepped up and took leadership roles in the camp to ensure its future success.

Section 3. It is through the efforts of all the brothers of the Department of California and Pacific that we have realized much success within the Department as exemplified by the installation of the Henry C Veatch Camp No. 30.

Section 4: The forgoing Department Order is proclaimed this 30th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-ninth, in the City of San José, County of Santa Clara, State of California by Thomas T. Graham, Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: /s/ Thomas T. Graham, PCC, Department Commander, Department of California and Pacific

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

### **RECENT GENERAL ORDERS**

Since March General Orders Nos. 18 through 21 and Special Orders Nos. 5 and 6 were issued. In summary, the General Orders have to do with the reinstatement of the Departments of Colorado and Wyoming, Florida, and Maine; replacement of the charter for the Department of New Hampshire; and the revocation of three camp charters in the Department of West Virginia. The Special Orders have to do with the passing of Past Commander-in-Chief Richard Lee "Dick" Greenwalt (1978), age 87, and the establishment of the Department of Columbia consisting of the states of Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. For a complete list of General Orders back to 1994, please see the National website: [http://www.suvcw.org/?page\\_id=513](http://www.suvcw.org/?page_id=513).