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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 at 1:00 pm on Sunday, August 23 at the VFW Post 9211 Hall at 255 Veterans Historic Drive near its intersection with Baker Lane next to Moana Park.

DEATH OF THE LAST CIVIL WAR PENSIONER

May 31, 2020

Irene Triplett died at the Accordius Health nursing home in Wilkesboro, North Carolina on May 31, 2020. She was the last recipient of a Civil War pension. She was born January 9, 1930 to Moses (a.k.a. Mose) Triplett and Elida Hall. Her father had fought first on the Confederate side in Co. K, 53rd North Carolina Infantry and Co. C 26th North Carolina Infantry. He deserted and joined the Union side prior to the Battle of Gettysburg. The 1890 Census has him in Co. F, 3rd North Carolina, and a pension index card has him in Co. B, 3rd North Carolina Mounted Infantry, a.k.a Kirk's Raiders. The 3rd North Carolina was a Union regiment. Moses' first wife passed away in 1923, and at age 78, he married Elida in 1924. She was about 50 years younger and suffered from mental disability. Irene grew up on her father's farm in Wilkes County, North Carolina. She suffered a difficult childhood and was regularly beaten by both her parents and schoolteachers. Also classmates teased her about her father whom they denounced as a "traitor". She left school in 1943 after the sixth grade and lived with her mother and brother Everette to the Wilkes County poorhouse until 1960. Everette ran away prior to that and eventually became a bulldozer operator. He died in 1996. After 1960, Irene and her mother lived in private nursing homes until their deaths. Elida died of cancer in 1967. Irene was a regular user of chewing tobacco since getting hooked in the first grade and was a fan of gospel music. However, she did not drink moonshine. Moses passed away July 18, 1938 at age 92. He had just returned from the 1938 Gettysburg Reunion, where he "fooled them" and camped out with the Confederate veterans. Since Irene suffered from cognitive impairments and was under 18, she qualified as a helpless child of a veteran. She inherited her father's pension and received \$73.13 a month from the Department of Veterans Affairs. General Order No. 26 of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War reports on her death (see last page), and the Department of North Carolina has an article on their website with a picture of her Other pictures of her can be viewed at <https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2624738/Meet-disabled-84-year-old-woman-lived-institution-13-American-receiving-benefits-Civil-War.html> and <https://www.aarp.org/home-family/voices/veterans/info-2020/last-civil-war-pensioner-dies.html> (Wikipedia, "Charlotte Observer", 7/8/1938; "U.S. News and World Report" 8/8/2016, the "Daily Mail", and 5/9/2014, AARP, 6/5/2020).

NATIONAL WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, LOGAN'S BRIGADE, AND GRANT'S GUARDS

The National Woman's Relief Corps (WRC) served as the official ladies auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, and still exists as one of the five allied orders. The WRC is starting an adult Men's Associate to the National Woman's Relief Corps called the Logan's Brigade and a Cadet Corps to the Logan's Brigade called

the Grant's Guard for young men between 8 and 16 years old. One can apply as a charter member between April 1, 2020, and February 28, 2021. The application fee is \$15, and the annual dues are \$35. For background information and the on-line application, see <https://logansbrigade.org>.

DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT

June 6, 2020

The 134th Annual Department Encampment Business Meeting held virtually via Zoom Video Conferencing on June 6th, 2020. See Department Order No. 1 near the end of the newsletter. Commander Kurt Dietrich and Senior Vice Commander/Historian David A. Davis, PCC, attended through Zoom. Kurt set up his laptop at David's home to participate.

NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT CANCELLED

As per General Order 31, the 139th National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War which was to be held August 13-16, 2020, at the Atlanta Marriot Buckhead Hotel and Convention Center, 3405 Lenox Road North East, Atlanta, Georgia, 30326, is cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. A committee is looking into possible alternatives.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and Federal, state, and local recommendations and restrictions on gatherings, events are being rescheduled or cancelled outright. Please check the latest schedule of a particular event.

SACRAMENTO CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

The Sacramento Civil War Round Table has cancelled all meetings until further notice. The Sacramento Civil War Round Table normally holds its meetings on the second Wednesday of each month. The meetings are open to the public. Dinner and informal discussions start at 6:00 pm, a short business meeting is held starting at 7 pm and a featured talk begins about 7:20 pm and lasts between 45 minutes and an hour. See the website at <http://www.sacramentocwrt.com> for more information.

SONS OF SPANISH AMERICAN WAR VETERANS NATIONAL CONVENTION

August 1, 2020

The Sons of Spanish American War Veterans will hold its National Convention on Saturday August 1, 2020, in Fort Thomas, Kentucky. Normally the Convention is two days long with socializing and tours. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Convention was shortened to one day, and the opening ceremonies and business portion of the Convention will be accessible through videoconferencing. For more information, see <https://ssawvhq.org>.

JOHANA SHINE TENT 96 MEETINGS

August 16 and November 15, 2020

The Johana Shine Tent 96 of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War will meet on Sunday, August 16 and Sunday November 15, 2020. For more information contact johanashineduvcw@gmail.com. Their recent newsletter had an interesting article about Hawaiians in the Civil War. It should be noted that between at least 1882 and possibly to as late as 1932, the George W. DeLong Post 45 of the G.A.R was active in Honolulu. Also, our late Past Commander John Riggs was studying Hawaiians in the Civil War and had visited the Oahu Cemetery, which included four remaining of five canons there that had donated by the King of Hawaii.

ELK GROVE CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

August 19 and September 16, 2020

The Elk Grove Civil War Round Table holds its meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at Denny's Restaurant at 8707 Elk Grove Road in Elk Grove south of Sacramento. The meeting is open to the public. A no host dinner starts at 5:30 pm, and Grand Review-Guest Speakers-Program starts at 6:45 pm. The next two meetings will be held August 19 and September 16, 2020, with the talks to be announced. See the website at <http://www.elkgrovecwrt.org> for more information.

LAS VEGAS CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE

August 25, 2020

The Las Vegas Civil War Round Table holds its meetings on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Charlie's Lakeside at the corner of Durano and Sahara in Las Vegas at 7 pm. The meeting is open to the public. A presentation or other type of activity on some aspect of the Civil War is conducted, and a raffle for history-related books are held with the money going to the Civil War Trust to help preserve sites associated with the Civil War. The next meetings will be held on August 25, 2020. For more information, call Kay Moore 702-645-5209 or email at lavenderlady@hotmail.com. Meetings times are also posted at <https://www.meetup.com/LVCWRT>.

NEVADA DAY

October 25, 2020

The Nevada Day parade will be held Saturday, October 25, 2020, in Carson City. The theme is "Historic Moments in History".

WEST COAST CIVIL WAR ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE

November 6-8, 2020

The annual West Coast Civil War Round Table Conference will be held November 6-8, 2020, at the Wyndon Garden Hotel in Fresno California. The event is hosted by the South Bay Civil War Round Table, and the theme will be Combat Strategy and Tactics In 1864 Virginia (Looking with 2020 Vision at Grant vs. Lee). The cost is \$200 including meals, and for details, see: <http://www.sbcwrt.org/2020-west-coast-civil-war-conference-november-6-8> details.

VETERANS' DAY

November 11, 2018

The Reno Veterans' Day parade will be held Sunday, November 11, 2020, at 11 am.

MEETING – June 28, 2020

Minutes of the camp meeting
Sunday, June 28, 2020, at 1300 Hours,
VFW Hall, 255 Veterans Historic Way, Reno, NV
And Via teleconference from homes
General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25
Department of California and Pacific

I). Opening

- A). The meeting was called to order by Commander Dietrich at 1302 hours.
- B). The Pledge of Allegiance was led by SVC David Davis.
- C). Invocation was led by Chaplain Frank Whitman.
- D). **Members** present in person: David Davis, Jay Dickey, Kurt Dietrich, David Hess, Roger Linscott, Robert Stoecklin, and Frank Wood. **Members** present remotely: Richard Dalton, Wayne Eder, Frank Whitman

II). Camp Commanders Report-- Camp Commander Kurt Dietrich

- A). Camp Commander Dietrich noted the following Camp 25 member presence at several locations in observance of Memorial Day. They included: Kurt Dietrich, David Davis, Brian Worcester, David Hess, Roger Linscott, Rob Stoecklin, Jay Dickey and Frank Whitman.
- B). Commander Dietrich reported that, according to Department Order No. 5, the 134th Encampment has been cancelled.

III). Secretary's Report—Secretary David Hess.

The Minutes of the April meeting were previously emailed to all members of Camp 25. Brother Hess asked if there were any additions or corrections. **Being none, it was MOVED (Linscott) and SECONDED (Dickey) to approve the Minutes of the April meeting as submitted. The motion PASSED unanimously.**

IV). Treasurer's Report—Treasurer David Hess.

Brother Hess presented the Financial Statement for Camp 25 for the period ended May 31. Hess asked if there were any questions/additions/corrections. **It was MOVED (Linscott) and SECONDED (Stoecklin) to accept the Financial Statement for the period ending May 31, 2020 as submitted. The motion PASSED unanimously. [See EXHIBIT 1]**

V). Senior Vice Commander Report

Nothing to report.

VI). Historians Report. The Historians Report was emailed to members and is attached to these Minutes. [See EXHIBIT 2].

VII). Junior Vice Commander's Report.

Nothing to report.

VIII). Patriotic Instructor's Report

In the absence of Brother Tyrone Davis, there was no Patriotic Instructor's report.

IX). Grave Registration Officer Report—Brother Donald Huffman

Nothing to report.

X). Other Officers Reports—Nothing to report.

XI). New Business--All.

1). Brother Dickey called to the members attention the successful Flag Day event by members of the Battle Born Patriots Chapter, SAR for patients at the VA Hospital. Several members present were also present at the Flag Day event. The question was raised to determine any interest in members of Camp 25 making a similar show of appreciation to either veterans or others whose Covid-19 services and/or sacrifices have been exemplary. Brother Hess volunteered to contact Glenna Smith who was the contact for the SAR to see if there are upcoming opportunities in connection with the VA.

2). Brother Dickey also proposed that Camp 25 look into installing a bronze plaque at the GAR Cemetery that would celebrate Camp 25's service and support for the cemetery over the years. That led into a lengthy discussion regarding the history of ownership of the land that the GAR Cemetery occupies. Brother David Davis gave an informative recap of what he previously learned about the property's ownership. The current ownership status is unknown. The question was raised about what would be the legal status and responsibilities if the property was deeded to the SUVCW. We are under the impression that any real estate acquired by the Camp would need to be held by the national organization.

It was MOVED (Stoecklin) and SECONDED (Linscott) to authorize the following:

A). Brother Dickey will looking into the design and cost of a suitable bronze plaque.

B). Commander Dietrich will research who currently holds title to the GAR Cemetery land and confirm our understanding, that if we acquired title, how it would be held.

XII. Old Business--All.

Nothing to report.

XIII). The closing prayer was offered by Chaplain Frank Whitman.

XIV). The meeting was adjourned at 1406 hours. The date of the next meeting was set for Sunday, AUGUST 23rd at 1300 at our usual location.

Respectfully submitted,
David Fredric Hess, Secretary/Treasurer
General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25
Department of California and Pacific
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Note: The Treasurer's report (Exhibit 1) was not included here because of account numbers.

HISTORY AND MEMORIALS REPORT

June 28, 2020

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

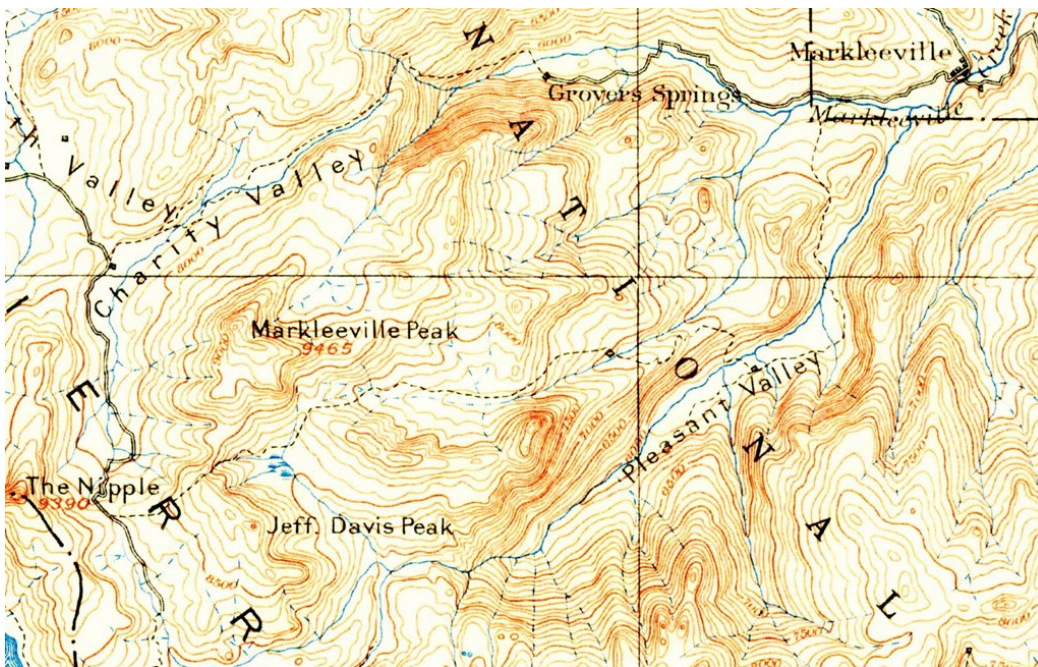
JEFF DAVIS PEAK, ALPINE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Another Jeff Davis Peak is about to be renamed. Some time back, Jeff Davis Peak in White Pine County was renamed Doso Doyabi. Now, Jeff Davis Peak in Alpine County, California, is up for renaming. Ironically, both Jeff Davis Peaks are in Camp 25's sphere of influence. This Jeff Davis Peak is located about 7.5 miles west-southwest of Markleeville in the northwest quarter of Section 16 in Township 9 North, Range 19 East. The top of the peak contains a volcanic plug also known as Sentinel Rock.

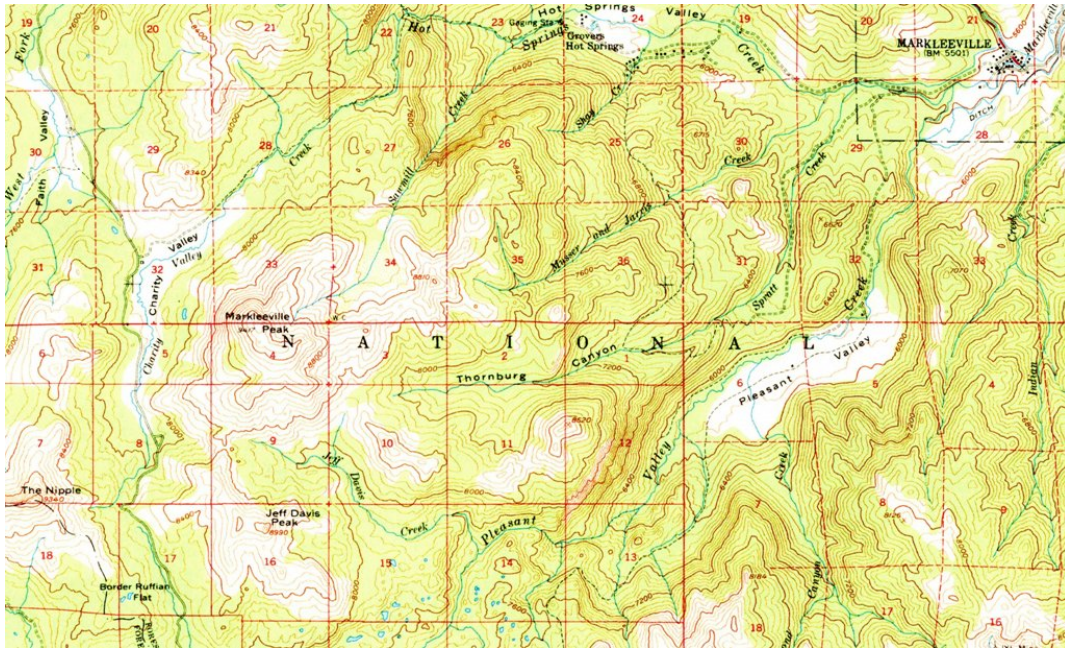
Jeff Davis Peak is thought to have been named by southern sympathizers who came to the now defunct mining camp of Summit City. Summit City began in 1863 and appears on the 1879 public land survey in the south half of Section 2 in Township 9 North, Range 18 East, about 4 miles west-northwest of Jeff Davis Peak, and just inside of Eldorado County. A Lower Summit City is shown in the southwest quarter of section 3 a half of a mile farther west. A gold strike was reported at Summit City as late as 1880. An 1883 survey referred to the site of Jeff Davis Peak as Sentinel Rock, but the 1889 topographic map shows it as Jeff Davis Peak. The 1956 topographic map also shows Jeff Davis Creek flowing for about 3 miles just northeast of Jeff Davis Peak with its headwaters in the saddle between Jeff Davis Peak and Markleeville Peak about 1 1/2 miles to the north.

In 2017, Anthony Oertel of San Rafael, California, proposed renaming it after Frederick Bee, who had fought for the rights of Chinese immigrants in the 19th Century. However, Alpine County officials and the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California preferred the more aboriginal name. Mr. Oertel agreed, and the proposed name was "De-Ek Dow Go-Et". This translated into "saddle between points". In 2018, the California Advisory Committee on Geographic Names voted the name change down due in part to the early survey containing Sentinel Rock. A compromise was reached whereby Sentinel Rock would remain as the name for Jeff Davis Peak, and whole mountain would be named De-Ek Dow Go-Et. Also, Irvin Jim, Jr., chairman of the Washoe tribe's Hung Lel Ti Community Council in Woodfords noted that this restores a name connected to the Washoe tribes who have been in the region for over 10,000 years.

The Alpine County Board of Supervisors is expected to vote on a second letter of support for the name in early July. The U.S. Board of Geographic Names could vote on the name change at its meeting on July 11.



Jeff Davis Peak, Markleeville 30' topographic map, 1889



Jeff Davis Peak, Markleeville 15' topographic map, 1956

References:

Change Ahead for Tahoe-Area Peak, Benjamin Spillman, Reno Gazette Journal, Sunday, June 21, 2020, p. 2A

Markleeville, 1889, topographic map, scale: 1:125,000

Markleeville, 1956, topographic map, scale: 1:62,500

Near Summit City, Alpine County, The Daily Appeal, Carson City, Sunday July 18, 1880, vol. 16, no. 113, p. 3, col. 2

Two Summit Cities, The Daily Bee, Sacramento, Friday, October 27, 1865, vol. XVIII, no. 2711, p. 2, col. 4

RECENT CAMP ORDERS

No new Camp Orders have been issued since the last issue of the Carlin Camp Dispatch. For a complete list, see the Camp website: <http://www.suvpac.org/camp25/rules/ordersindex.html>.

RECENT DEPARTMENT ORDERS

One Department Order has been issued since the last issue of the Carlin Camp Dispatch was posted. For a complete list, see the Department website: <http://www.suvpac.org/rules/ordersindex.html>.

Department Order No. 1

Series 2020-2021

Department of California and Pacific

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Department Headquarters, Elected and Appointed Officers

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:

Section 1; Having been duly elected Department Commander by the Delegates of the 134th Annual Department Encampment Business Meeting held virtually via Zoom Video Conferencing on June 6th, 2020, it is with sincere appreciation of the trust given to me by the Brothers of this Department that I respectfully assume command of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

I hereby establish my residence in Cathedral City, County of Riverside, State of California as the Department Headquarters. Correspondence is welcome and should be sent to my home address: 69586 Borrego Rd, Cathedral City, CA. 92234 or email at commander@suvpac.org Camp reports (Forms 22 & 27,

IRS Form 990-N etc.) and dues shall be forwarded to the Department Secretary-Treasurer at: 284 Hazel St, Gridley, CA. 95948. Phone (530)846-3251.

Section 2: The following Brothers were duly elected and installed as Department Officers at the 134th Annual Department Encampment Meeting by Commander-in-Chief Edward J. Norris on 6 June 2020;

Commander – Rudy E. Velasco III, PDC
Sr. Vice Commander – Frank C. Avila, PCC
Jr. Vice Commander – Stephen E. Doyle, PCC
Secretary – Owen R. Stiles, PCC
Treasurer – Owen R. Stiles, PCC
Council 1 – Daniel R. Earl, PCC
Council 2 – Kurtis F. Dunphy,
CC Council 3 – Wayne L. Eder

Section 3: Department Brothers are appointed as follows:

Patriotic Instructor – Will Tisch, PCC
Chaplain – Allen R. Davis, PCC
Historian – David A. Davis, PCC
Counselor – Daniel R. Earl, PCC
Guide – Brian R. Stephens
Color Bearer – Kurtis F. Dunphy, CC
Guard – Kenneth R. Walker
Graves Registration Officer – Kenneth G. Felton, PCC
GAR Records Officer – David A. Davis, PCC
Civil War Memorials Officer – Dean A. Enderlin, PDC
GAR Highway Officer – Charles L. Beal, PCC
Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator – Randall W. Hawkinson, PCC
Camp Organizer – Owen R. Stiles, PCC
Newsletter Editor – Owen R. Stiles, PCC
PCC Signals Officer/Webmaster – Tad D. Campbell, PCinC

The forgoing Department Order is proclaimed this 10th day of July in the year of our Lord two thousand twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty fourth, in Cathedral City, County of Riverside, State of California by Rudy E. Velasco III, Commander of the Department of California & Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: /s/ Rudy E. Velasco, PCC
Commander Department of California and Pacific
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

ATTEST:

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

RECENT GENERAL ORDERS

Seven new General Orders by Commander-in-Chief Edward J. Norris have been announced since the last issue of the [Carlin Camp Dispatch](#) was posted. The General Orders are summarized below. For a complete list of General Orders back to 1994, please see the National website: http://www.suvcw.org/?page_id=513.

General Order No. 27 is a reminder of SUVCW policies involving an increase for requests for comments on historical monuments.

General Order No. 28 creates the Department of Alabama from the Department of Tennessee with Alabama and Mississippi. It takes three camps to be eligible to create a Department of which Alabama has three.

General Order No. 29 is an approved form letter brothers, Camps, or Departments can use to express concerns to the appropriate authorities over the destruction or removal of monuments.

General Order No. 30 suspends the Department of Connecticut for failure to file annual reports.

General Order No. 31 cancels the National Encampment until further notice.

General Order No. 32 extends the deadline for nominations for awards and recognition.

General Order No. 33 lifts the suspension the Department of Connecticut.

General Order No. 26
Series 2019-2020
2 June 2020

1). It is my sad duty to report the death of Real Daughter Irene Triplett, on May 31, 2020 in Wilkesboro, North Carolina at the age of 90.

2). Sister Triplett was the last federally pensioned dependent of a Civil War veteran. Her father, Pvt. Mose Triplett, served in both the Union and Confederate armies during the Civil War. After the Battle of Gettysburg, Triplett left the Confederate forces and joined the 3rd North Carolina Mounted Infantry, a Union regiment. Sister Triplett's father died a few days after returning from the 75th anniversary celebration at Gettysburg.

3). The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War's National Web Site, Social Media platforms, and the Charters of all Departments and Camps will be draped in black. And, all Brothers will attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badges in remembrance of Sister Triplett.

4). This order shall remain in effect for 30 days from this date.

Ordered this 2th Day of June, 2020.

Edward J. Norris
Commander-in-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attested:

Jonathan C. Davis, PDC
National Secretary
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War