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THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held 1 pm, Sunday, December 20, 2009, at the VFW Post 9211 Hall at 255 Burris Lane near its intersection with Baker Lane next to Moana Park. ****ELECTION OF OFFICERS WILL BE HELD****

REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO DIED IN THE FORT HOOD TRAGEDY AND THEIR FAMILIES

NEVADA DAY AND VETERANS' DAY ACTIVITIES

October 31, 2009; November 11, 2009

Historian/Memorials Officer David A. Davis, PCC, Tyrone Davis, Senior Vice Commander John Riggs, Camp Commander Frank Wood, Secretary-Treasurer Brian Worcester represented Carlin Camp 25 at the Nevada Day Parade, which was actually be held on October 31, the real Nevada Day this year, in Carson City. For those of you who may not know it, Nevada became a State on October 31, 1864, hence, Nevada Day. We used Frank's pick-up truck and hung the Camp and 36-star U. S. flags from the back of the bed and put the Camp signs on the side. David, Tyrone, and Brian rode in the back using chairs borrowed from VFW Post 9211. The weather was nice, and the parade route was well attended. After we exited the parade, we attended the chili feed put on at the Nugget.

David, Tyrone, and Brian represented Carlin Camp 25 in the Veterans' Day Parade in Reno. We used Brian's Jeep Cherokee. This was the first time we used hitch haul-cum-flag holder, and it worked well. We displayed the Camp flag, 36-star U. S. flag, and the old State flag donated by Paul Washeleski, PCC. Thanks to Craig Roelofs, we had a color guard from the Comstock Civil War Reenactors, which marched in front of us. Craig is a first sergeant Co. C of the 2nd U. S. Regular Infantry. Also participating were his wife Christa, daughter Brinn, and sons Cody, Caden, and Brodrich, and Eric Quinlan, Harvey Mitchell, and Gerry and Janet Dunlap. Christa was the photographer, and she and Brinn rode in the Jeep. Gerry and Janet portrayed civilians. As a Scotsman, Gerry wore his kilt and related attire, and his wife Janet wore an 1860s dress. The crowd was well attended, and we were generally well received as we went by. John Tyson in one of the speakers' booths commented on Brian's genuine Civil War-era Jeep.

In the afternoon on Veterans' Day, Brian, Tyrone, and David with his wife Jenny, attended the rededication of the Veterans Memorial at the Lone Mountain Cemetery, which was held by American Legion Post 56 of Carson City and others. Veterans Memorial had been rebuilt by the

Leadership Carson City Class of 2009. After the ceremony, Brian, David, and Tyrone laid a wreath at the statue in the Custer Post 5 plot. We had a moment of silence, and then Brian fired a salute from his revolver.

The following are several Veterans Day pictures, the first three from Craig Roelofs' blog. Unfortunately, my camera ended up with a serious light leak, and most of my pictures were not good.



The Carlin Camp 25 entry and Comstock Civil War Reenactors color guard.



At attention in front of the old Washoe County Courthouse.



Sergeant Roelofs and the civilians



Brian Worcester, David A. Davis, and Tyrone Davis laying the wreath.

RECENT CIVIL WAR VETERAN FINDS

By David A. Davis, PCC, Camp Historian/Civil War Memorials Officer
and Don Huffman, Camp Graves Registration Officer

I recently attended the monthly meeting of the Nevada State Genealogical Society at the Reno Family History Center. While waiting, I perused the Nona Parkin collection. Nona Parkin spent many years compiling lists from cemeteries, vital records, mortuary records, and obituaries across Nevada and parts of California. The lists are available at the Historical Society on microfilm and in about 100 or so binders at the RFHC. I made a few notes on several promising veterans and sent them to our Graves Registration Officer Don Huffman. My notes are in not italicized below, and Don's research notes are italicized.

From list of graves in Paradise Valley Cemetery, Humboldt Co., NV:

John J. Stewart Corp. Co. D Mich. Cav. 1845-1925 (no regiment number)

Catherine Stewart 1865-1945

Fred B. Stewart 1881-1959

Edith C. Stewart 1886-1965

4th Regiment (He is listed in our database)

Thomas Melody Co. D 45 Illinois Inf.

According to records he was a Pvt. with the 146th Illinois Inf.

(He was not listed in our database, but will be shortly)

Eddy Mortuary Records:

5 February 1929 - John James Stewart - IOOF Cemetery, Paradise Valley (yes 1929)

19 March 1935 - Thomas F. Melody - IOOF Cemetery, Paradise Valley

Reese River Reveille, May 31, 1885:

W. S. WILLIAMS, a former resident of Washoe City, Nev. A GAR veteran. Shot at Lovelock. Very peacable man and never had a quarrel with anyone. Leaves wife and 4 children, the youngest being 6 years old.

From list of graves in Big Meadows Cemetery, Lovelock, NV:

W. S. Williams 1835-1885

Eliza J. Williams 1848-1919 (IOOF)

William S Williams, enlisted as a Sergeant on 5 Nov 1864 at Sacramento, CA. Co. G, 2nd Ca Cavalry. Mustered out at Camp Union, CA 1 Feb 1866. He is buried at the Big meadows Cemetery Lovelock, NV, No military stone or marker. He shares a private marker with his wife. He will be our Camps first CW burial that I have record of in Pershing County. Although he probably died ,at the time, in Humboldt County.

(He was not listed in our database, but will be shortly)

Reese River Reveille, June 18, 1885:

ERNEST REDBURGH aged 91 yrs; veteran of Mexican War and Civil War and said to be the oldest Commander (or comrade) of the GAR, died today at Vancouver, Washington Territory.

Last name is probably in reality Rettberg, was born in Hannover, Prussia in 1794. He and his wife Catherine lived in WI when he joined Co. C 3rd US artillery as a musician (most likely a bugler). He was living with his son Henry A Rettberg, in Vancouver City, Clark County, WA at the time of his death in 1885. Find a Grave has no marker picture but does list him with out birth or death

dates, but as a band member in the Civil War. He is buried in the Old Vancouver City Cemetery Clark County, WA. I sent an email to the contributor to please up date this Civil War Veteran's information at Find A Grave.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

By David A. Davis, PCC

The December meeting will include the election of officers.

I acquired copies of:

Encyclopedia of Frontier Biography, 1988, by Dan L. Thrapp, published by University of Nebraska Press, 3 volumes.

Indians and Bureaucrats – Administering the Reservation Policy During the Civil War, 1974, by Edmund Jefferson Danziger, Jr., published by University of Illinois Press, 252 p.

Lincoln and the Indians - Civil War Policy and Politics, 1978, by David A. Nichols, published by University of Missouri Press, 231 p.

The first and third are also available on line as Google Books.

On a recent trip to State Archives, I had a number of miscellaneous files copied concerning Nevada and the Civil War. These include information on the Nevada Volunteers, militias, and correspondence. While there, they brought out the 36-star flag that flew over Fort Ruby in eastern Nevada. Fort Ruby was active from 1862 to 1869 mainly to keep tabs on the Indians. The flag was less than 2 feet by 3 feet, and consisted of the colors painted on canvas. The archivist was going to look for the documentation. SVC John Riggs said they have other flags stashed away.

Former Carlin Camp 25 member Jeff Vaillant recently visited the National Archives at San Bruno. He made copies of the burial lists of Forts Halleck, McDermit, and Ruby and sent them to us. Unfortunately, they did not have the burial list for Fort Churchill.

2010 DEPT. OF CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC ENCAMPMENT

March 12-13, 2010

The 124th annual Department Encampment is scheduled for March 12-13, 2010 at the NCO Club at Camp San Luis Obispo in San Luis Obispo, California. This will also be the 100th Annual Encampment of the Auxiliary's Department of California and Pacific. Please periodically review the Department website at <http://www.suypac.org/encampment.html> for more details as they become known.

OCTOBER 31, 2009, 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.

This Camp meeting was informal as it was held at the Nevada Day Parade in Carson City at 0830 Hrs. Brothers present were Frank Wood, John Riggs, David A. Davis, Tyrone Davis and Brian Worcester. The minutes of the last Camp meeting was accepted and the Brothers were informed that our U.S. Bank balance stands at \$483.79. The Camp was well received by the crowds lining the parade route and many photos were taken of our Camp. Brother David has also arranged for the Camp to participate in the Veterans Day parade in Reno. We will meet at the VFW Post at 255 Burris Lane at 0745 Hrs. on November 11, 2009. The Post will be serving their famous breakfast of

SOS. After the parade we will participate with the American Legion Post 56 of Carson City and others at 1500 Hrs. at Lone Mountain Cemetery for a wreath laying ceremony at the Civil War Monument and at the Flag area. The next formal Camp meeting will include election of Camp Officers. This meeting is tentatively set for the VFW Post at 1300 Hrs. on December 13, 2009.

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

RECENT GENERAL ORDERS

General Order No. 4 SERIES 2009-2010 30 September 2009

1. It is with deep regret that I announce the passing of Past Commander in Chief Charles “Chuck” Corfman of the Department of Ohio. In addition to being a Commander in Chief, Brother Corfman was Past Department Commander of the Department of Ohio and Past Camp Commander of the Given Camp 51. Brother Corfmans involvement and leadership within the Order has made a difference to the many Brothers that knew him.
2. Condolences and cards may be sent to Brother Corfmans wife Mrs. Janice Corfman, 9057 State Route 83, Holmesville, OH 44633-9727. Janice is the Ohio Department President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.
3. It is ordered that the National Web site, the Charters of all Departments and Camps and membership badges be draped in black for a period of 30 days from the date of this General Order.

Ordered this 30th Day of September, 2009.

Leo F. Kennedy
Commander-In-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:
Donald Palmer
Secretary,
National Order, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

General Order No. 5 SERIES 2009-2010 25 October 2009

1. Upon the recommendation of Ohio Department Commander Robert W Davis, and being fully satisfied that all efforts to preserve the Camp have been taken, IT IS ORDERED the Charter of the Brig. General Samuel A. Gilbert Camp No. 5, Department of Ohio, is revoked for failure to submit Annual Camp Reports and Per Capita Tax.
2. The Charter and all Camp materials, financial and material, shall be surrendered to the Department.

Ordered this 25th Day of October, 2009.

Leo F. Kennedy
Commander-In-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:
Donald Palmer
Secretary,
National Order, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

General Order No. 6
SERIES 2009-2010
11 November 2009

Today is Veterans Day. This day is set aside to remember the men and women that cannot relax – that stand, or had stood, in vigil to protect not only our freedoms, but protect us as well.

The Veteran is the wall that protects us and does not ask for recognition – yet deserves it from all of us. Please remember, with thanks, all of the Veterans serving our Country across the world, and all of those that have already done so. To the brave Brothers of our Order that are Veterans – we collectively thank you for your service.

On this day, please take a moment to remember the recent losses at Ft. Hood, Texas and their families. Long may their ideals wave over us to protect our Country.

Ordered this 11th Day of November, 2009.

Leo F. Kennedy
Commander-In-Chief
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:
Donald Palmer
Secretary,
National Order, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War