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SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

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OPEN HOUSE

Our annual Open House will be held at 1 pm, Sunday, February 13, 2011, immediately after the Camp meeting at the VFW Post 9211 Hall at 255 Veterans Historic Drive (formerly Burriss Lane) near its intersection with Baker Lane next to Moana Park. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held noon, Sunday, February 13, 2011, at the VFW Post 9211 Hall at 255 Veterans Historic Drive (formerly Burriss Lane) near its intersection with Baker Lane next to Moana Park.

NEW CAMP OFFICERS

The following Camp Officers were elected/appointed at the December 12, 2010 meeting:

Camp Commander: John A. Riggs
Senior Vice Commander: David A. Davis
Junior Vice Commander: Francis H. Wood
Council Member 1: Steve Frady
Council Member 2: Donald W. Guidici
Council Member 3: Tyrone W. Davis
Secretary: Brian I. Worcester
Treasurer: Brian I. Worcester
Patriotic Instructor: Tyrone W. Davis
Chaplain: Tyrone W. Davis
Graves Registration Officer: Donald J. Huffman
Historian: David A. Davis
Civil War Memorials Officer: David A. Davis
Signals Officer: David A. Davis

NORTHERN NEVADA MENTAL SERVICES CEMETERY MONUMENT DEDICATION

January 21, 2011

On Friday, January 21, 2011, the Northern Nevada Mental Health Services held the dedication of a monument to the 700+ people buried in the main cemetery on the institution's grounds along 21st Street in Sparks. The cemetery had been in use from 1882 to 1947, and a smaller cemetery on another part of the grounds was used from 1947 to 1949. While the cemetery was maintained through the early years, it fell into neglect and vandalized after the turn of the 20th century. By the 21st century, it had been all but forgotten, and was in danger of being built over. Through the efforts of the Friends of the Northern Nevada Mental Health Services Cemetery, the cemetery has been fenced, remains removed from the small cemetery to the large one, a city park removed from the northern third of the large cemetery, and a monument containing the names of those interred will be dedicated. At least four men buried there were veterans of the Civil War and Spanish-American War.

The speakers included: Dr. Harold Cook, Administrator, Mental Health and Development Services; Reverend Norman King, Pastor, Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Parish, Sparks; Rabbi Teri Appleby, Temple, Reno; Brian Worcester, Secretary-Treasurer, Carlin Camp 25, SUVCW; Rosie Cevasco, Historic Reno Preservation Society; Sue Silver, Historian and Cemeterian; and Carolyn Mirich, Northern Nevada Mental Health Services Cemetery.

At the end of the dedication, members of the Comstock Civil War Reenactors and the First Nevada Volunteers gave a salute and Ray Arenholtz of the FNV played "Taps" on his bugle. Following the dedication, refreshments were served in a meeting room containing cemetery displays at the new Nevada Dept. of Agriculture Building adjacent to the cemetery.

Brian's speech was as follows:

At the conclusion of our Nation's great Civil War Union Veterans formed the first veteran's organization called the Grand Army of the Republic. The GAR fought for veteran's benefits. However, as their numbers became smaller over the years they wished to transfer their responsibilities to their heir organization the Sons of Union of Union Veterans of the Civil War, this was accomplished by Act of Congress.

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, of which I am a member, keeps alive the accomplishments as well as the goals of those Union veterans. We the members of this organization are actual descendants of these veterans.

I commemorate the Civil War, Spanish American War and Indian War soldiers who lay in this historic cemetery and encourage their final resting place be marked with the headstones provided by the Veterans Administration. Their names are Timothy Burk, Robert Hope, John Cooper and John Balback.

In 1862 Civil War Major General Daniel Butterfield was commanding a brigade in the Army of the Potomac. After a particularly hard day of fighting the troops settled down for the night along the James River. On this night General Butterfield felt that the evening bugle call was not as it should be. He felt the day's final call should bring comfort and peace to tired troubled men. With the help of his bugler Oliver Norton, Butterfield composed the music to what we all know today as TAPS.

Later in that campaign a funeral was being held during a lull in the fighting. The bugler played TAPS for the first time in lieu of the usual three volleys of musket fire. This was done because it was feared gunfire would renew the fighting.

The playing of TAPS was eventually written into Army regulations as part of the honors to be paid at military funerals.

I would like to conclude with the original words written for that Bugle Call.

Day is done, Gone the sun, From the lakes, From the hills, From the sky,
All is well, Safely rest, God is near.

Fading light, Dims the sight, And a star, Gems the sky, Gleaming bright,
From afar, Drawing near, Falls the night.

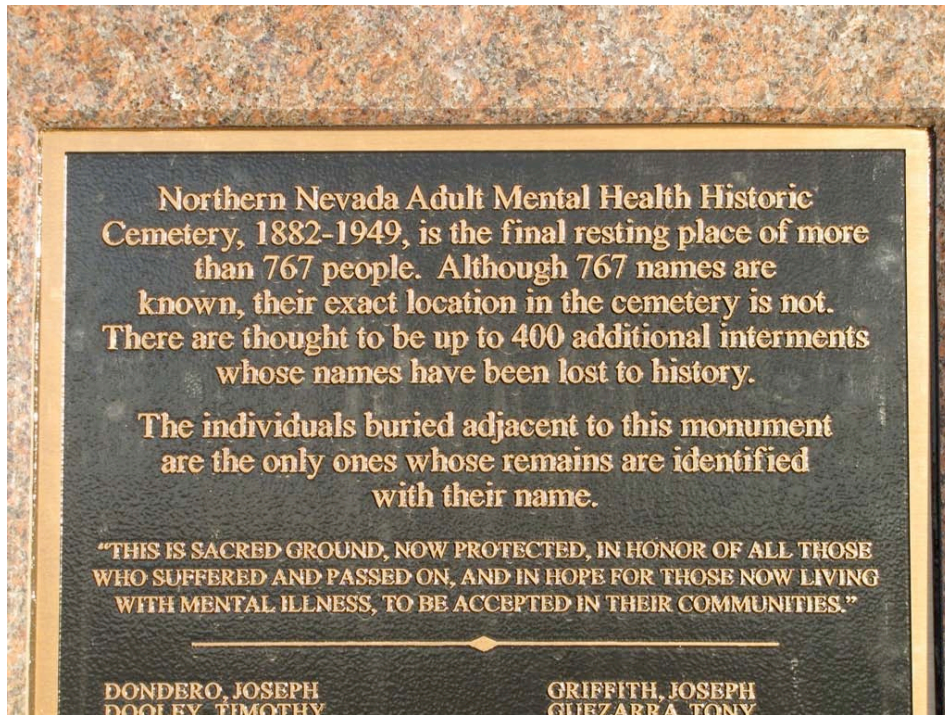
Thanks and praise, For our days, Neath the sun, Neath the stars, Neath the sky,
As we go, This we know, God is near.



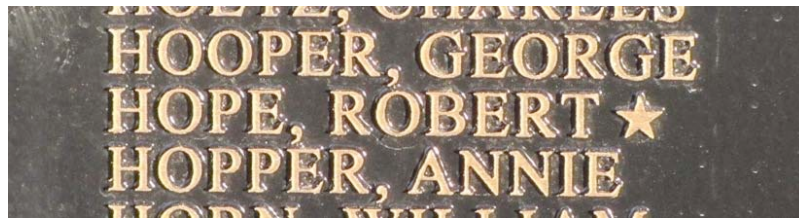
The monument in what had been Pinion Park. Pinion was discovered to have covered the northern third of the cemetery. The areas in stone are where bodies from the small cemetery were moved to.



The monument is a granite obelisk with bronze plates on all four sides listing the known burials.



The verbiage briefly describing the cemetery and monument.



The veterans are marked with a star. Robert Hope is a Civil War veteran buried somewhere in the cemetery.



Brian Worcester speaking with Dr. Harold Cook to the left.



Members of the Comstock Civil War Reenactors and First Nevada Volunteers.

DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC ENCAMPMENT

March 11-12, 2011

The 125th Annual Department Encampment will take place on March 11-12, 2011, 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.suvm.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.

2011 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

August 11-14, 2011

The 130th National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the 125th National Encampment of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and the 125th National Encampment of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held on August 11-14, 2011, at the Sheraton Reston Hotel in Reston, Virginia. The Encampment will be hosted by the Department of Maryland. Activities will include a tour of the Manassas Battle ground with Ed Bearss of the PBS Civil War series as the tour guide; a special day-long tour of Washington, DC; wreath presentations at Manassas, the GAR monument, and Arlington Cemetery; a Civil magic act; and more. Please see the National website <http://www.suvm.org> for more information.

2012 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

August 9-11, 2012

SPECIAL NOTE: The 131st National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the 126th National Encampment of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and the 126th National Encampment of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held on August 9-11, 2012, at the Los Angeles Airport Marriott in Los Angeles, California. **The Encampment will be hosted by our very own Department of California and Pacific.** This will also be a celebration of the centennial of the last National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic in California. Please see the Department website, <http://www.suvpac.org> for more information

FORT RUBY, NEVADA, FLAG



The 36-star flag said to have flown over Fort Ruby, Nevada. The flag is now housed at the Nevada State Archives in Carson City. The following is slightly modified from the National Park Service website http://www.cr.nps.gov/history/online_books/soldier-brave/siteb18.htm:

“Eastern Nevada's Fort Ruby (1862-69) played a major role in the history of transportation and communication, but also participated in the Indian wars. In 1859 William Rogers, an assistant Indian agent and the first white settler in Ruby Valley, built a cabin near the southern end of the valley. It became a station for stagecoaches on the Central Overland Mail route, the Pony Express, and a relay station on the transcontinental telegraph line. During the Civil War, in the fall of 1862, to protect these facilities and to control the Gosiute and Paiute Indians, who were focusing their attacks on Overland Mail stages, Col. Patrick E. Connor's California Volunteers founded Fort Douglas, Utah, near Salt Lake City, and Fort Ruby in Nevada's Ruby Valley about 3 miles west of the stage station. Troops from the fort engaged in several skirmishes during the Gosiute War (1863). The next year Nevada Volunteers replaced the California troops. In 1869, the completion of the Central Pacific Railroad, the first transcontinental line, brought an end to stage service and thus the need for Fort Ruby.”

DECEMBER 12, 2010, 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. Time: 1320 Hrs. Call to Order and opening silent Prayer. All brothers present then recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.
2. Roll Call: Frank Wood, John Riggs, David A. Davis, Tyrone Davis and Brian Worcester.
3. Commander's Report: None.
4. Secretary/ Treasurers Report: US Bank balance at \$326.79. Minutes of previous meeting accepted.
5. History and Memorials Report (attachment) submitted by Brother Davis has the following topics: Broken Tombstone, Trip to St. Mary in the Mountains, Virginia City and an extensive period interview with local reporters and General Sherman.
6. Old Business: None
7. New Business: Brother Riggs submitted letters and a Certificate for Camp files attesting to his donation to the SUVCW Charitable Foundation as an Abraham Lincoln Fellow and the donation to the National Museum of the U.S. Army. Brother Riggs received a Certificate of Commendation from the U.S. Army Museum. In addition, as part of his research, he submitted a photo of Capt Lafferty. Brother Davis, knowing of the VFW Post 9211 desire to display a photo of President Lincoln, donated an antique photo for restoration and display.
8. Certification of Election and Installation of Camp Officers was held with Brother Davis conducting installation. The following Camp Officers were installed:
Camp Commander: John A. Riggs
Senior Vice Commander: David A. Davis
Junior Vice Commander: Francis H. Wood
Council Member 1: Steve Frady
Council Member 2: Donald W. Guidici
Council Member 3: Tyrone W. Davis
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Civil War Memorials Officer: David A. Davis
9. At the conclusion of the installation Past Camp Commander Francis H. Wood was presented his Past Camp Commander's Medal and received a round of applause from all brothers for his service.
10. The next meeting will be held at VFW Post Feb. 13, 2011 at 1300 Hrs. where an open house will be held in honor of President Lincoln.
11. A Prayer was offered by the Camp Chaplain and the meeting concluded at 1445 Hrs.

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

HISTORY AND MEMORIALS REPORT

December 12, 2010

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

The following is a summary of recent activities:

BROKEN TOMBSTONE

As noted at the last meeting, I came across the broken Government-issued tombstone of L. W. Robinson, Co. F, 11 Ind. Inf. I contacted the Veterans Administration, and they said to send in a form with a cover letter and picture to get it replaced. This has been done, so now we wait.



A few weeks ago, SVC John Riggs and I went up to Virginia City. We took my gramophone cylinder of GAR songs to the museum at St. Mary in the Mountains Catholic Church. They have a sometimes working gramophone that plays cylinders, and the docent said to bring my cylinder. Unfortunately, that day was one of the days it was not working very well, so we did not chance scratching it. For those who may be interested, Father Joe Anthony, who had an interest in the Civil War, donated his collection of books and memorabilia on the subject to the St. Mary museum when he was transferred a few years ago.

After leaving the church, John and I visited the old cemeteries in Gold Hill including the old Catholic cemetery. About a half dozen Civil War veterans' graves are scattered among the cemeteries. John took pictures, and it does appear these graves were already documented and put in the Graves Registration Database. The names are also in my spreadsheet of Comstock Civil War veterans whose graves were decorated on Memorial Day, 1868 through 1905.

GENERAL SHERMAN'S VISIT TO VIRGINIA CITY

While doing some other research, I happened upon the following articles involving an 1876 trip to Virginia City by General Sherman. When reading the interview in the second article, note one: the date is only a little less than three months after the Battle of the Little Bighorn, and two: the concern about protecting blacks voting in the South.

THE SHERMAN-CAMERON PARTY

Territorial Enterprise, vol. XXXIII, no. 44, p. 3, col. 4., Wednesday, September 20, 1876

They are Accorded an Enthusiastic Reception by the People – Their Doings Here and Departure.

The city was astir earlier than usual yesterday morning and there were seen in knots on the street corners and in little eddies on the sidewalks talking about the expected visit of General Sherman and party. As the hour approached when the train was expected the crowd began to congregate about the depot until the whole grounds and tracks were

crowded. It was with difficulty that the regular business of the road could be done without running trains over the expectant throng. An extra force of policemen were however detailed by Chief Lackey and no accidents occurred.

The fact that the party waited for breakfast in Carson and the train was over an hour behind time did not help matters at all, and thousands waited the slow, dragging moments out on the line taken up. In fact, with every minute's delay there was an accession to the multitude, and by the time the whistle announced the approach of the train there were some three thousand people in waiting. Flags were flying all over the city, and awnings and house-tops along the line which it was expected the party would be escorted were black with human beings, waiting to catch a look at the live hero and his attendants.

The military had been called hastily to arms to do honor to the occasion, and made a very creditable display. Upon the depot platform the Montgomery, Emmet, and National Guards were drawn up in line, while near at hand was a section of the First Nevada Artillery waiting to bid the echoes of the mountains bellow back their welcome. When the train drew up the crowd cheered lustily, the military presented arms, the artillery fired a salute and the band played "Hail to the Chief." The Reception Committee boarded the car, and, after a general hand-shaking all around, the party alighted, and General Sherman, with bared head, and holding his little son by the hand, walked the length of the military line, the band playing "Marching Through Georgia." The great crowd gave three hearty cheers for the General as, with his party, he proceeded to the Consolidated Virginia Company's office for a rest.

The following are the ladies and gentlemen who make up the General's party: Hon. Don. Cameron, Secretary of War; Mrs. W. T. Sherman, H. A. Cameron, Miss Cameron, T. E. Sherman, Miss Burnside, James W. Duffy, Miss V. R. Cameron, Miss Ellie Sherman, James M. Cameron, Master P. T. Sherman. After a brief rest in Colonel Fair's office the party took carriages and were escorted by the military to the residence of Mr. Fair, where a bounteous lunch was partaken.

After the lunch at Colonel Fair's, the party took carriages and returned to the Consolidated Virginia office, where they donned miners' suits and descended into the mine. They passed through the big bonanza and into the Ophir. After making their exit they took in the city and wine and refreshments at the Washoe Clubrooms. Their stay was finished by a dinner at the residence of Colonel Fair, and at 7 o'clock the party took the lightning train for San Francisco.

GENERAL SHERMAN was called on yesterday afternoon at the rooms of the Washoe Club by a delegation of the Union and Confederate Veterans' Association of this city, each one of whom the General warmly shook by the hand, remembering several incidents of battles wherein they were engaged. Among the old soldiers present were the following: Colonel M. N. Stone, Captain Lord, Captain Mathewson, Major Foote, Colonel Webster, George P. Healy, J. E. Towle, Guy Thorp and several others whose names we did not learn.

GENERAL SHERMAN

Territorial Enterprise, vol. XXXIII, no. 44, p. 3, col. 2., Wednesday, September 20, 1876

The Old Hero Interviewed

We take from the Gold Hill News the following account of an interview with General Sherman and Secretary Cameron on the Indian war question and on the "Bayonet" order. The detailed interview occurred on the train yesterday, before reaching this city.

The reporter approached the General, who was an old friend, in a friendly manner. In the newspaper phrase, he interviewed him. The following is the talk.

Reporter – General, I have come to interview you.

General Sherman – On politics?

Reporter – No. Only on business which you understand.

General Sherman – Then go ahead

Reporter – I want to know something about the Indian war. As General of the Army you should be able to tell me something about the probable end of the contest.

General Sherman – Well, I can tell you, what everybody knows, that we are bound to conquer the hostile Indians. Of course a great Government like the United States is not going to yield to a small band of savages.

Reporter – But our dispatches say that the campaign is to be given up for the Winter. During the Winter the hostile Indians may get to Canada.

General Sherman – Your dispatches are all wrong. Newspaper correspondents know nothing about the operations of the soldiers except what they see. Of course a General cannot tell a reporter what he means to do in the future. The reporter draws his own conclusions and sends them to his paper.

A WINTER CAMPAIGN

Reporter – Do you mean to say that there is to be a Winter campaign?

General Sherman – Of course there is to be a Winter campaign, and that Winter campaign will end the Indian war.

Reporter – Then our troops are not going into Winter quarters?

General Sherman – Not by any means. We have got the hostile Indians completely surrounded. It would be very silly of us, now that we have them at a disadvantage, to go into Winter quarters and give them a chance to escape. We shall fight this battle out until we beat the Indians. The Government is determined on this point at least.

THE RESULT

Reporter – And after beating them, what?

General Sherman – After beating them the Government will say what we are to do with them.

Reporter – What do you think will be done with them?

General Sherman – The probability is that the leaders will be executed and their followers will simply be compelled to submit to the rules of their agencies.

Reporter – You do not believe in extermination as applied to the hostile Indians?

General Sherman – Certainly not.

THE “BAYONET” ORDER

Reporter – General, the Democratic papers have made a great howl over your “Bayonet” order. What does that order mean?

General Sherman – The “Bayonet” order, as it is called, means nothing which can be justly construed against any section of the country. It simply orders the commanders of troops wherever stationed to respond to the call of United States Marshals when intimidation is threatened at the polls. The Act of Congress under which it was issued was offered by a Democrat and it applies equally to the North and the South. The object of it is simply to secure an honest election in November.

Reporter – Have you ordered any troops to the South?

General Sherman – Not a single man. My order simply applies to the troops already there. If they are called upon they will act. There you have the whole gist of the “Bayonet” order.

SECRETARY CAMERON

Don Cameron, Secretary of War, accompanies General Sherman on his Western tour. He is a slightly built man, with a heavy light-colored mustache, which is the only ornament on his face. To him, too, the reporter applied for news from the front. He simply corroborated General Sherman on every point which he made. In reference to the “Bayonet” order, Secretary Cameron said:

“Our idea is only to see a fair election. If a negro wishes to vote the Republican ticket, we propose to have him vote it, if we have to march every United States soldier in the South to the polls to protect him. But we will give the same protection to negroes who wish to vote the Democratic ticket. We want a fair election; that is all.”

RECENT DEPARTMENT ORDERS

For a complete list, see Department website: <http://www.suvpac.org>

DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 6 SERIES 2010-2011

PASSING OF BROTHER CHARLES KENT MABIE

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: Brother Charles Kent Mabie of Newark, California, a member of Gen. Alfred Pleasonton Camp No. 24 and father to California and Pacific Department Commander Charlie Mabie, passed away November 29, 2010.

Section 2: Brother Mabie was born in San Mateo, California on December 21, 1933; he lived his entire life in the San Francisco Bay Area. After graduating college, he served in the U.S. Army in Bavaria, Germany, where he met his wife of almost 53 years, Anneliese. He taught junior high school science for 35 years in San Mateo County, and enjoyed antique firearm restoration, reloading, and target shooting.

Section 3: Charles based his eligibility in the SUVCW on the service of his great-grandfather, Benjamin F. Mabie, a Private in Battery B of the 1st Minnesota Heavy Artillery. His grandfather, Carl Kendall Mabie, was a member of John A. Logan Camp No. 20 of Los Gatos, California, and his father, Carl Frank Mabie, was a member of Gen. Alfred Pleasonton Camp No. 24.

His son, Department Commander Charlie Mabie, and grandsons Ben and Mark Mabie are also members of Camp No. 24. He is also survived by his wife, a daughter Doris, a son-in-law Ed, daughter-in-law Kathy, and three other grandsons.

Section 4: Condolences may be sent to his wife and family, care of Anneliese Mabie, at 36175 Indian Wells Dr., Newark, CA, 94560.

Section 5: The Department and all Camp Charters are to be draped in black for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 6: All Department Brothers are respectfully directed to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge (pursuant to C&R, Article III, Sec. 9) for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 7: The Department of California and Pacific extends its sincere condolences to the family of Brother Mabie and to the Brothers of his Camps and Department.

The foregoing Department Order is proclaimed this 30th day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand ten, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth, in the Town of Newark, County of Alameda, State of California by Charles W. Mabie, Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: Charles W. Mabie, PCC
Department Commander
Department of California and Pacific

ATTEST:

By: Phillip L. Caines, PCC
Department Secretary-Treasurer

**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 7
SERIES 2010-2011**

APPOINTMENT OF AIDE TO DEPARTMENT MEMORIALS OFFICER

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: As Department Memorials Officer Kirby Morgan continues to address his current health issues, it becomes necessary to appoint an aide to assist him in his duties.

Section 2: With the agreement of Bro. Morgan, I have appointed Bro. Dean Enderlin to fill this position. All correspondence regarding memorials shall continue to be sent to Bro. Morgan directly.

Section 3: This appointment shall exist until amended or revoked, through the completion of my term of office.

The foregoing Department Order is proclaimed this 30th day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand ten, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth, in the Town of Newark, County of Alameda, State of California by Charles W. Mabie, Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: Charles W. Mabie, PCC
Department Commander
Department of California and Pacific

ATTEST:

By: Phillip L. Caines, PCC
Department Secretary-Treasurer

**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 8
SERIES 2010-2011**

PASSING OF COL. WILLIS BRUNER SAWYER, PDC

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: Past Department Commander, Col. Willis Bruner "Bill" Sawyer, passed away on April 11, 2010 at Arroyo Grande, San Luis Obispo County, California at the age of 92.

Section 2: Bill was born in Chicago, Illinois on September 20, 1917 to Dr. Willis Frank Sawyer III and Dr. Leanora Sims Bruner Sawyer, and moved to Southern California at the age of three.

Section 3: After graduating from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1941 Bill led a wide-ranging military career until his retirement in 1969 with the rank of Colonel, U.S. Air Force. He was wounded during World War II, for which he was awarded the Purple Heart. Bill was highly decorated, including a Silver Star, Distinguished Service Cross, two Distinguished Flying Crosses, Croix de Guerre avec Palme (Government of France), Military Medal (Government of Greece), Order of the Tiger (Nationalist North China Armies), U1Chi with Silver Star (Republic of Korea Air Force), Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Joint Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Orders Of White Elephant and Royal Crown of Thailand, and Meritorious Service Medal.

Section 4: After his retirement from the military, Bill was the archaeological consultant for U.S. Forest Service, Los Padres National Forest; Field Director for the Cal Poly State University Archaeological Field School; and a professional archaeological consultant on California's Central Coast. He was also active in the Boys Scouts of America and was awarded a Wood Badge, the highest level of adult Scout leader training available.

Section 5: Bill based his eligibility in the SUVCW on the service of his great-grandfather, Capt. William Strange Sims of Company F, 86th Indiana Infantry, as well as three other Union relatives. He served four terms as Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, from 1989-1993, and was the most-senior living Past Department Commander.

In addition to the SUVCW, Bill was a member of Order of Daedalians, Sons of the American Revolution, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, Military Order of the World Wars, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Military Order of Purple Heart and Disabled American Veterans, plus various professional societies.

Section 6: Donations can be made in memory of Col. Willis B. Sawyer to The Wounded Warriors Foundation, American Cancer Society, The American Heart Assoc., or to the San Luis Obispo Archeological Society.

Section 7: The Department and all Camp Charters are to be draped in black for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 8: All Department Brothers are respectfully directed to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge (pursuant to C&R, Article III, Sec. 9) for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 9: The Department of California and Pacific extends its sincere condolences to the family of PDC Sawyer and to the Brothers of his Camp and Department.

The foregoing Department Order is proclaimed this 6th day of December in the year of our Lord two thousand ten, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth, in the Town of Newark, County of Alameda, State of California by Charles W. Mabie, Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: Charles W. Mabie, PCC
Department Commander
Department of California and Pacific

ATTEST:

By: Phillip L. Caines, PCC
Department Secretary-Treasurer

RECENT GENERAL ORDERS

For a complete list, see National website: <http://www.suvcw.org>

**GENERAL ORDER NO. 7
SERIES 2010-2011
06 DECEMBER 2010**

Annual National Per Capita Tax

Article VI, Section 1. The National Encampment shall assess a per capita tax on each Brother reported in good standing at the end of each calendar year. Such tax shall be payable in one annual payment and forwarded by the Department Treasurer to the Executive Director, on or before May 31st.

The National Encampment in Overland Park Kansas passed a resolution increasing the per capita tax by \$5.00 (\$18.00 to \$23.00). The raise in per capita was effective at the conclusion of the National Encampment. It was the first raise in per capita in eight years. A reinstatement fee of \$10 was also established and that no reinstatement of a Brother will be processed without the \$10 fee. The per capita tax increase was necessary due to expenses exceeding our income. We have allowed applications at the Camp and the Department level to be processed at the old per capita if they were in the system at the time of the increase.

Effective 1 January, 2011 all applications received at the National headquarters for membership and all annual report renewals must be at the new per capita. The Executive Director has been instructed to return applications and annual reports to the Department Treasurer if they are received after 1 January, 2011 with the old per capita.

Ordered this 6th Day of December, 2010.
Brad Schall
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. 8
SERIES 2010-2011
29 DECEMBER 2010

Death of Past National President Opal A. Nelson – Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

Brothers, it is with deepest sympathy and a heavy heart that I report the death of Opal A. Nelson, Past President of Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Sister Nelson served the LGAR twice as President, 2000-01 and 2005-06. Sister Nelson was a member of Lookout Circle 24 in Minnesota. She passed away 20 December, 2010 at the age of 81 years. Sister Nelson's passion for the LGAR and the Boys in Blue will be missed. Sister Nelson was preceded in death by her husband Russell and is survived by four children, two brothers and many grandchildren. Two of her daughters are members of the LGAR. Cards can be sent to her family at 4032 Xenwood, Minneapolis, MN 55416. All charters, the National Web site, and membership badges will be draped in black for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this General Order.

Ordered this 29th Day of December, 2010.
Brad Schall
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. 9
SERIES 2010-2011
02 JANUARY 2011

Candidates seeking election to SUVCW national office

A section on the national website will be set aside for candidates seeking national office to place a letter of intention and a resume or bio. These pages will not imply an endorsement by the National Organization or the National elected officers for the candidacy of any Brother seeking national office. Pages should include date, Department and Camp name on the letter of intention page, your eligibility for membership and a photo on the resume or bio page. It is suggested that submission not exceed one page for each. A review of each item will be required before items are placed on the website. Please send to Brother James Pahl, PCinC in an electronic format. jbpahl0824@yahoo.com

Ordered this 2nd Day of January, 2011.
Brad Schall
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. 10
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In accordance with National Constitution and Regulations, annotated, Chapter III, Article V, Section 1, Duties of Officers: The Commander-in-Chief is in concurrence with National Councilor Donald Darby, PCinC, opinion number 3, whether or not a Camp Commander can hold the office of Camp Commander and Secretary/Treasurer at the same time.

The ruling is: A Camp commander can not hold the positions of Camp Commander and Secretary/Treasurer at the same time.

Opinion: The Constitution and Regulations of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, annotated with the Decisions and Opinions of the Commanders-in-Chief and the Judge Advocate General/National Counselor's and Policy Decisions of National encampments is in fact mute on this question. It is the opinion of this National Counselor that a Camp/Department Commander can NOT hold the office of Commander and Treasurer (Secretary-Treasurer) simultaneously. The C&R permits the position of Secretary and Treasurer to be held by one Brother (Secretary-Treasurer) it does not extend that ability to any other elected office/officer. Given that the Camp/Department Commander must approve all expenditures by the Treasurer (Chapter 1, Article VI Section 1 and Chapter 2, Article 5, Section 4) it would create a conflict of interest for him to hold both (Commander, Treasurer) or all three offices (Commander, Secretary-Treasurer).

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty
Donald E. Darby
National Counselor

Ordered this 6th Day of January, 2011.
Brad Schall
Commander-In-Chief
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OPEN HOUSE



THE GENERAL WILLIAM PASSMORE CARLIN CAMP 25 SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

WILL HAVE AN OPEN HOUSE FOR THE GENERAL PUBLIC
ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2011, AT 1300 HOURS (1 PM)

AT THE VFW POST 9211 HALL, AT 255 VETERANS HISTORIC DR.,
FORMERLY BURRIS LANE, NEAR ITS INTERSECTION WITH BAKER LANE
NEXT TO THE MOANA POOL IN RENO.

2011 MARKS THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE START OF THE CIVIL WAR

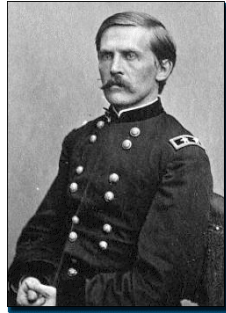
THE OPEN HOUSE WILL CONSIST OF A DISPLAY OF CIVIL WAR, GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, AND RELATED ITEMS, A PRESENTATION ABOUT THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC AND THE SONS OF UNION OF THE CIVIL WAR IN NEVADA, AND COFFEE AND SNACKS.

Nevada became a territory on March 2, 1861 (just before the opening shots of the **Civil War**) and a state on October 31, 1864 (during the Civil War); hence the nickname: **The Battleborn State**. Starting in 1863, Nevada raised a battalion of cavalry and battalion of infantry (the **First Nevada Volunteers**), which together totaled 1088 men. While these men never saw action against the Confederate Army, they did protect the transportation and communications systems, dealt with the antagonism between the settlers and the Indians, and rounded up southern sympathizers. Before they mustered out in 1866, various companies and detachments of the **First Nevada Volunteers** had been active from California to Wyoming.

The **Grand Army of the Republic**, or G.A.R., was an organization of Union Civil War soldiers that lasted from 1866 until 1949. At its height in 1890, it had over 409,000 members and 7,000 local posts across the country. The G.A.R. was also the driving force behind veterans' benefits and getting Memorial Day recognized and was the forerunner of other veterans' organizations such as the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion. Between 1868 and 1937, Nevada had 18 posts including ones in Reno, Carson City, and Virginia City. The G.A.R. Cemetery and tree in Reno, and the G.A.R. plot and statue in the Lone Mountain Cemetery in Carson City are part of their legacy. The Womans Relief Corps, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sons of Union Reserves, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War were started as auxiliaries to the G.A.R., and still exist today. The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, which has two camps in Nevada, is the designated heir organization to the G.A.R.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVILWAR OR GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, PLEASE VISIT: <http://www.suvcw.org> (NATIONAL ORGANIZATION); <http://www.suvcw.org> (DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC); or <http://www.suvcw.org/camp25.html> (CARLIN CAMP 25)



Gen. William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW), will hold its bimonthly meeting at noon, February 13, 2011. The SUVCW is the heir to the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR), which was the largest of the Civil War Union veterans' organizations with 18 posts in Nevada (including two in Reno and three in Carson City).

We keep alive the memory of the sacrifices these veterans made to preserve the Union during the Civil War and their patriotic activities after the War through educational activities, services during Memorial and Veterans' Days and other appropriate times, and researching and cataloging their final resting places and monuments.

Camp 25 serves all of northern Nevada and parts of eastern California. The meeting will be held at the VFW Post 9211 Hall, 255 Veterans Historic Drive, Reno, NV. For more information please contact Brian I. Worcester, Secretary-Treasurer, at (775) 849-1640 or bpworcester@charter.net or contact David A. Davis, Historian, 775-972-7420 or e-mail davis3950@sbcglobal.net.

We would appreciate any information anyone would have on locations of Civil War gravesites in northern Nevada that are unmarked, been neglected or that have broken headstones. Also any that do not have Military headstones designating they are Civil War veterans.

Additionally, we are seeking the facts on every Civil War veteran and their life here in any state before, during and or after the Civil War and their part in Nevada history.

MISCELLANEOUS FEBRUARY CIVIL WAR EVENTS:

February 7, 1862: Union won Battle of Roanoke Island, North Carolina

February 13, 1862: Union won Battle of Fort Donelson, Tennessee

February 21, 1862: Confederates won Battle of Valverde, New Mexico

February 22, 1862: Jefferson Davis sworn in as first only Confederate President

February 24, 1863: Arizona Territory organized from New Mexico Territory

February 26, 1863: Cherokee Nation rescinded its declaration of secession

February 17, 1864: Submarine CSS Hunley destroys USS Housatonic with a torpedo

February 20, 1864: Confederates won Battle of Olustree, Florida

February 17, 1865: General Sherman captures Columbia, South Carolina

February 18, 1865: Charleston, South Carolina surrenders

John A. Riggs

Commander

David A. Davis

Senior Vice Commander

Frank H. Wood, Jr.

Junior Vice Commander