# MEETING MINUTES 1978-1998

# Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4 San Jose, California

# Department of California and Pacific Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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# Phil Sheridan Camp #4 April 21 / 1978

Before the meeting - all had a lovely chicken dinner. Camp called to order by President of Auxiliary Helen Pyle.

Roll call of officers - Randy absent.

Commander Wayne Pyle reports on Dept. Convention at Fresno. Dept. Officers - Commander - Wayne Pyle. Vice Com. Geo. Loveman [?]. Jr. Vice Com. - Manning Green. Secretary - Harold Rogers, Chaplain Joe Collins. Treas. [Elmer] Wohgulmuth - Don Cheney - Guard. Chief of Staff Ken Greely.

Collection for Dinner in Feb. 7.00. collection for dinner in April 9.00.

Treasurer Report 130.01.

Respectfully

Das Cheney

PS - Moved & Seconded that our Camp not participate in the Memorial Day Parade. Instead we well have a service at the GAR plot at an earlier time. Also there will be a chang[sic] in our Memorial Day Program at the GAR Plot.

Phil Sheridan Camp #4 San José Calif.

May 27, 1978

A fine meat-loaf dinner was served at Edith [Crook] 's home before our Camp Meeting.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary Don Cheney reports on out Service at the GAR Plot at oak[sic] Hill Cemetery. A short but fine program on Memorial Day. Our Star was used as the main theme - each of the five points of the star representing a member of our order and a little boteque[?] was fascended[sic] on each star-point in fond memory of our Orders.

Respectfully,

Sec.

Dan Cheney

June 24, 1978

Dinner served at 7:00 pm - a nice stew was the main dish.

Camp called to order by Vice Commander Ken Greely in absence of Commander Wayne Pyle, who is getting over a double hernia operation.

Dinner nets 5.25 - our half of the total money taken in.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Camp called Wayne Pyle on the phone and we all had a nice conversation.

Howard Payne called us from New Hampshire just before our meeting. Read us a wonderful piece on our Nation. He is feeling fine.

Respectfully

Das Cheney Sec.

# July 22, 1978

First on the agenda - a great "Saunder's Chicken Dinner". Then at 8:30 pm Camp was called to order by Auxiliary present[sic] Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting was[sic] read and approved.

Secretary Don Cheney reads a letter from Howard Payne - also showed paperclippings of Camp activities at Reston [VA]. Also a special writing on our Country - all of this was sent to us by Brother Payne.

It is good to have Commander Wayne Pyle back again - after his double hernia operation.

Sec. Don Cheney reports on the good health of brother Oscar Davis.

District Meeting - in Fresno. Third week in October (21st).

Treasury Report - \$139.43.

Respectfully in F C & L

Dan Cheney

Sec.

**August No Meeting** 

# September 23, 1978

First a great meal of stuffed peppers at Edith [Crook] 's Home. Then Meeting was called to order from Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Ten dollars given to Reception for Dept. Convention.

Brother Ken Greely reads a letter from Howard Paine - also a few articles from his town's paper - one article church dedicated to GAR - a new 75 yrs old Christian church just built in Landsdown, Maryland.

Colby[sic] Wilcox<sup>1</sup> passed away in September reported by Dorothy Greely.

Treasury Report - 146.83.

Respectfully,

Don Cheney Sec.

October 1978 No Meeting

Nov. 1978 No Meeting

December 78 Xmas. Party

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Brother Coby F. Wilcox died 4 Sept. 1978 at Los Angeles, CA at the age of 85. He was born 18 Sept. 1892 in Missorui.

# January - 1979

Meeting called to order from Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Don Cheney, Sec. reports on illness of Charles Davis who is in O'Conner Hospital. A "get-well" card was signed by all and sent to bro. Davis.

Reported that Manning Green is now living with his daughter at Walnut Creek.

Treasure[sic] Report 185.96.

Respectfully

Don Cheney

F C & L

Wayne reports on condition of Edith Crook. She is getting on pretty well considering the serious gall bladder operation.

#### February 24, 1979

Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle Auxiliary President. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Under New Business - Election of officers. Don Cheney makes motion we keep same officers. Bro Ken Greely seconded motion - so carried.

Sec. Don Cheney reads Dept Orders from Dept. Commander Wayne Pyle. Also reads a letter from Ladies of the Grand Army (Edra Tigh<sup>2</sup>) stating that the Daughters should join the "family" and meet at National each year.

Treasure[sic] report 169.46

Yours in F C & L

Sec.

Dan Cheney

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Sister Edra Gene Tighe died in Los Angeles Co., CA on 5 May 1992 at the age of 83. She was born in Kansas on 26 May 1908. Her father's last name was Ford and her mother's maiden name was Hockley.

# March 24, 1979

Meeting was called to order by Camp Com. Wayne Pyle. Minutes taken by Ken Greely, acting Secretary for this meeting. Our regular Secretary Don Cheney had a heavy debt, the meeting slipped his mind. He is excused this time.

Convention will be held in Fresno on April 27-28-29.

Commander Wayne Pyle and acting Secretary Ken Greely voted to give \$20.00 to the Dept. Chief of Staff and \$20.00 to Camp Commander.

Minutes of last meeting was[sic] not read as regular Secretary had the minutes at home.

Yours in F. C. & L Sec. pro-tem

Ken Greely

# April 21, 1979

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary Pres. Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Don Cheney, Sec. reads article of a Civil War Battle that was enacted back in Illinois. Article send[sic] in by brother Oscar Davis.

Forty Dollars given to Ken Greely for Dept. Convention in Fresno, to be held in April 27-28-29.

Discussion about Memorial Day - We will have breakfast at Sambo's on the Alameda at 9:00 EM. After Memorial Day program, we will all go over to Wayne Pyle's for the afternoon.

Yours in F C & L

Dar Cheney

May 26, 1979

Meeting called to <u>order</u> by Auxiliary Pres. Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary Don Cheney reports on health of Brother [Oscar] Davis. He is feeling fine and is visiting in Illinois.

Sister Dorothy Greely reads a paper article sent in by bro. [Howard] Paine - a description of Civil War battles at Manassas.

Report on the Dept. Convention at Fresno by Ken Greely. New <u>Dept</u>. Commander is <u>Wayne Pyle</u> and Dept. Pres. to Auxiliary is Helen Pyle!

Treasure[sic] Report - 126.55

Respectfully

Dan cheney

Sec.

June 30, 1979

A <u>lovely dinner</u> (Ranola) was served before our Camp Meeting - prepared by Dorothy Greely. Enjoyed by all.

Camp called to order by Dorothy Greely Helen Pyle - Auxiliary president.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

No new business, or "Good of the Order". So Meeting was closed in due Form.

Treasury Report 127.05

Respectfully

Dan Cheney

Sec.

July 28, 1979

First, a great baked deans & stuffed Rolls dinner at the Greely's - where our meeting was held.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. Dinner netted Camp 4.00. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

There being no further business to come before the camp it was closed in due form.

Sincerely

Don Cheney

PS Wayne & Helen Pyle are going to attend National convention.

August 25, 1979

Camp called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President. (Before meeting we had a nice dinner consisting of Edith's stuffed Buns and Ken Greely's macaroni.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Commander Wayne Pyle reports on National Convention at Hartford Conn. which he and Helen attended.

Ken Greely describes his visit to Fresno and reports on the dept.'s coming Convention to be held last week-end in April.

Dinner netted Camp 7.50. Treasury report 110.08.

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed in due form.

P.S. - Howard Payne called camp from New Hampshire.

Yours in F. C. & L

Day Cheney

Sept. 15, 1979

First, a nice spagetti[sic] dinner made by Dorothy Greely. Camp called to order by Auxiliary Pres. Helen Pyle.

Five Dollars and 25 [cents] collected for Dinner.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Treasury report. 115.33.

There being no further business to come before the Camp, it was closed in due form.

Respectfully F C & L

Dan Cheney

Sec.

# October 27, 1979

Dinner served first - lovely meat loaf. Then Meeting was called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

During meeting, we called Howard Payne - who was getting over the flue[sic]. Glad to hear from him in far away New Hampshire Reston, Virginia.

Under reports of members - Manning Green is doing o.k also Oscar Davis is fine, too.

Dinner netted 7.75.

There being no further business to become[sic] before Camp it was closed in due form and rest of evening turned over to Auxiliary.

Sec.

Dar cheney

# November 24, 1979

Before Camp Meeting we had a fine Soup-Dinner. Prepared by Ken Greely.

Camp called to order by auxiliary president Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Under old business, Camp Commander Wayne Pyle suggest[s] Secretary called Henry Stout's daughter to see what they are doing with the graves and flags.

Under New Business, our Christmas Party for Dec. 22, was discussed. We will have gifts and there will be no camp business meeting. Bring pennies for Bingo.

Treasury Report 103.36

Yours in F. C. & L

Das Cheney

Sec.

December 1979

No Meeting - Christmas Party

# January 26, 1980

First a lovely dinner - macaroni & cheese made by Dorothy Greely.

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Committee of Grave Stones - Secretary to call cemetay[sic] to find out about cleaning head-stones.

Ken Greely would like to know if relives[sic] could be Buried in GAR Plot if they were relative of GAR. Suggested that Secretary bring deed to GAR Plot so we can read it over.

Treasure[sic] Report \$136.67

<u>6.00</u> dinner 142.67 <u>Total</u>

February 1980

Das Cheney

No Meeting - due to sickness (flu) of Commander Pyle and Helen Pyle, also cold of Edith Crook.

#### March 22, 1980

Chicken dinner cooked by Mildred Gentile. String beans and salad by Dorothy Greely.

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Deed to GAR Plot was read by Commander Pyle. Deed dated Aug. 27 - 1904. Secretary brought list of Veterans' names given to us by the Oak Hill Cemetery.

Commander Pyle instructs Secretary to contact regarding the cleaning of headstones at GAR Plot. Also to find out how we can help getting the flags for GAR Plot to be used on Memorial Day.

Treasury Report - 134.07

Respectfully

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Don Cheney

(PS No Meeting in April.)

## May 24, 1980

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Secretary reads a letter from Pat Helfin - all is well - and Don Heflin is learning to fly.

Secretary reports on health of Lenore Glass who is in a rest home after suffering a broken leg. Secretary will take Lenore out on Monday (Memorial Day) for bar B Que at Camp. Com. Wayne Pyle's home in the afternoon after Memorial Day Program at Oak Hill Cemetery (GAR Plot).

Don Cheney, Secretary reports on program at GAR Plot. He will take charge of program.

Camp Commander Wayne Pyles ays our Camp will take all the material that Don Cheney has in his possession consisting of old camp records, pictures, etc.

Don Cheney was elected Commander Dept. Chaplain.

Respectfully, F C & L

Don Cheney

Sec.

June 28, 1980

Before Camp Meeting we enjoyed a "Stuffed Bell Pepper" dinner.

Camp called to order by Dorothy Greely - taking over from Auxiliary President Helen Pyle who was present, but feeling poorly.

Minutes of last meeting was[sic] read and approved.

Don Cheney reports on the flags being donated by Mr. Stout for our GAR Plot at Oak Hill Cemetary[sic]. Cost of flags 1.50 ea. Number of flags donated 96.

Don Cheney makes motion Camp send 25.00 to the Stouts to help in paying for flags. Motion seconded by Ken Greely - so carried.

Secretary thanks all who helped at our program at GAR Plot during Memorial Day.

Treasury report 104.90

Respectfully, F C & L

Dan Cheney

Sec

July 1980 - no Meeting
August 1980 " " Commander Wayne
Pyle & Helen Pyle went to Greece for a
vacation.

## Saturday, Sept. 27, 1980

A wonderful chicken Dinner was served before Camp Meeting - also a surprise Birthday cake for Edith Crook.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Reported that Don Greely fell and brused[sic] his elbow, though he is still working.

Don Cheney Secretary reports on the flag - purchase by Miss Stout for our GAR Plot. They are buying enough flags for all the graves. Don Cheney will find out the total price they paid for these flags, before we send them a check in part payment.

A welcome was given Rev. Clark Seum - who has re-joined our Camp - and he was given the Patriotic Instructor position.

Camp Commander orders Secretary to send a list of our Camp Officers to Wogelmuth[sic].

Treasure[sic] report - 117.40.

Respectfully F. C & L

Das cheney

# Saturday, Oct. 25, 1980

Before Camp Meeting, a fine meat-loaf dinner was served.

Camp called to order by President Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary reports on the flags that Miss Stout bought for our GAR Plot. Our Camp send[sic] her \$25.00 to help pay for flags. We will get together for grave flaging[sic] when time comes.

Ken Greely reports on Dept. Meeting at Ontario. Also reports on Historic Museum there. Relics of Civil War as well as Americana. Museum is well kept up. Museum is located at Upland, Calif.

Our Camp donated a GAR Badge and a National Badge to the Museum.

Don Cheney reports on death of Jim Holmes<sup>3</sup> a former member who lived in Michigan.

Treasury Report 82.38.

Respectfully F C & L

Don Cheney Sec.

PS. Next Dept. Meeting April 12 10-11-12, 1981, Fresno

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Brother James Holmes died in Oct. 1980 at Belleville, Wayne Co., MI. He was born on 25 Oct. 1889. His Social Security Number (554-05-5970) was issued in California.

November 22, 1980

A lovely turkey-soup supper preceded the meeting. Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Secretary reports on Manning Green - he is in top shape - so is the report from Harold Green. Secretary also reads a letter from Howard Paine. He is feeling fine - though he has trouble walking.

Dues paid by Don and Ken Greely - also Wayne Pyle.

Treasury report - 90.28

Respectfully F. C & L

Don Cheney Sec.

No Meeting in December 1980

#### Nov. 18, 1980

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January 24, 1981

Fine macaroni Dinner preceded[sic] Camp Meeting. Camp called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary president. Roll call of officers. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary reports on Death of Bro. Manning Green<sup>4</sup>. He was cremated and ashes put alongside his wife, Marie. Secretary sent a card to Harold Green and his sister.

Don Cheney reads a communication from National Treasurer Bro. Shriver. Seems he was injured in a car accident - also had his right hand smashed in a van sliding door. All this prevented our Camp from receiving supplies on time.

Treasury report - 127.68

Respectfully F C & L

Don Cheney

Sec.

P.S. It was wonderful to have Ken Greely at Camp after his operation. Next year the Sons will pay Edith Crook's dues in the Auxiliary for the use of her home as a meeting place. Auxiliary paid her dues this year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Brother John Manning Green died 18 Jan. 1981 in Fresno Co., CA at the age of 95. He was born in Illinois on 14 July 1885.

# February 28, 1981

First a fine shell-macaroni Dinner and great salad. Dorothy made the salad - rest of dinner made [by] Mildred. Helen baked the pies.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

A suggestion is made that our Camp have a press-correspondent to send in news of our activities to The Banner. Secretary Don Cheney says he will take on the job. All information will be sent to Elmer Wohgemuth[sic] - Dept. Sec.

Secretary reads a Prayer that was read in the first Continental Congress 1774. It was the very first prayer read in Congress of the U.S.

Treasury report 132.50.

Respectfully in F C & L

Day Cheney

Sec.

March 28, 1981

A wonderful chicken and dumpling dinner was served before our meeting - Mildred fixed the whole dinner. Helen Pyle - Auxiliary president made a delicious jello salad.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Ken asks Secretary to make up a camp-report to be read at Dept. meeting in April 10-11-12.

Secretary - says all the flags will be available for the graves of the GAR at Oak Hill Cemetery.

Dinner brings 9.00.

Treasury report 143.00

Respectfully F C & L

Das Cheney

Sec.

April 25, 1981

This evening's dinner was tamole[sic]-pie made by Dorothy Greely - salad made by Edith Crook. A wonderful meal.

Camp was called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

It was planned not to have a Camp meeting. Instead, we will meet out at Ken's Wayne's house Memorial Day. (after the Memorial Day Service at Oak Hill.) Secretary will contact about flags for graves at GAR Plot. Also he will supervise the program for Memorial Day.

Treasury Report 104.00

Respectfully, F C & L

Dar cheney

May 1981 No meeting - Memorial Day Program. held[?] May 25 1981 June 27, 1981

Camp called to order by Pres. of Auxiliary Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Secretary reads the history of our Flag - which was first suggested by the Indian Nation.

Secretary thanks everyone for helping at our Memorial Program at GAR Plot.

Dorothy Greely reads another story about the Flag and Betsy Ross - which is a legend not <u>really proven</u> to be true.

Yours in F. C. & L.

Dan Cheney

July 25, 1981

Vegetable dinner was served before the meeting. Ken Greely prepared the tasty meal.

Camp called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary president. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Millie Gentile read a wonderful history of Memorial Day and how it started. (It was in Waterloo, New York, May 5 and May 30th both days were celebrated.

Treasurer report 111.42

Respectfully in F. C & L

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Don Cheney Sec.

## August - no meeting

Sept. 26, 1981

Camp called to Order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Commander Wayne Pyle reports on our new member, Brother Look. His name was recommended by National Sec. - Bro Striver. He is bed-ridden, but wanted to be a member even though he wont be able to attend meetings.

All Camp members sign a "Thinking-of-you" card to send to our new member, Bro. Look.

Dinner netted us 8.00 - a fine chicken & dumpling cooked by Ken Greely. Treasury report 85.37

Respectfully,

Sec.

Das Cheney

# No Meeting

#### November 28, 1981

Camp meeting called to Order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President. Preceeding the meeting was a fine dinner of Turkey stew made by Ken Greely.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved and seconded that we have a Christmas Party Dec. 19th - no Camp meeting.

Twelve Dollars taken in for the dinner.

Treasurer report 82.39.

Ken reports on a raise in Per Capita tax to one Dollar per member. Hence our Camp will raise dues to 7.00 per member.

Ken suggestes[sic] that Secretary send in a notice of our meeting to the Mercury - Society Editor.

Memorial - In Memory of Thomas A. Look<sup>5</sup> - \$5.00 sent to <u>Cancer Society</u> in name of our Camp. (sent to Good Sam.) Auxiliary send \$5.00 too.

Respectfully F C & L

Dar Cheney

Sec. Treas

December - No Meeting

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Brother Thomas Allen Look died 1 Nov. 1981 in Santa Clara Co., CA at the age of 50. He was born in Washington on 29 Jan. 1931. His mother's maiden name was Cassell.

# January 23, 1982

Meeting called to Order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President. Preceeding meeting was a wonderful meat-loaf dinner prepared by Dorothy Greely and Millie Gentile, Auxiliary Secretary.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved. Secretary Don Cheney says he is receiving dues from members in good numbers. All are in good health.

Treasure[sic] report - 137.99

Respectfully in F C & L

Don Cheney

Sec.

#### February 27, 1982

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary reads three requests for membership in our Camp. Commander Wayne Pyle reads two requests for membership. All this was due to a notice that appeared in the San Jose Mercury's "Action Line", when a person wrote in for information and was told to contact Sec. Shriver (National Sec). In turn, Shriver sent names to Dept. Sec. Wogelmuth[sic] - who forwarded information to us.

Camp Commander contacted the two men who wrote in to find out about the "Sons". So far we have not received any contact. Secretary Don Cheney will follow up on this.

Bank of America sent us notice that new checking rates will be 3.50 per month. Moved and seconded that our Camp withdraw money from bank - put amount in checking acct. of Sec. Don Cheney. - To be kept separate from Secretary's Bank account.

Respectfully

Sec.

Dan Cheney

# March 27, 1982 Saturday

Dorothy Greely & Edith prepared a fine supper consisting of meat loaf baked potatoes & salad.

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Commander Wayne Pyle is home with muscle spasams[sic], getting better.

Bank of America will keep our checking account at it is - with no charge of 3.50 per month service charge. They will only charge us for each check made.

Six Dollars taken in for dinner.

For Dept. meeting in April, at Fresno - Secretary instructed to make a check out for 75.00 Twenty-five Dollars for Ken, also for Wayne, and Don.

Respectfully,

Don Cheney

# April 24, 1982

Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle. Before meeting we enjoyed a fine dinner prepared by Millie Gentile.

Secretary reads minutes of last meeting - they were approved. Ken Greely reports on the Dept. meeting at Fresno - all went well. Ken was voted in as Dept. Commander.

Don Cheney reads an article about the "Greybeard Legion." All members were older men from 45 yrs up to 70 years old. It was a Civil War propaganda effort to shame younger men who were not signing up for the War. Many of the olsters[sic] died of disease. No one were in battle.

Don Cheney, Sec. says we should be looking forward to Memorial Day, May 30th. He will get up [a] program and see to it that [the] cemetary[sic] is Alerted for our program at the GAR Plot.

Treasurer report \$138.26

Respectfully,

Don Cheney

# May 22, 1982

Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle, President of Auxiliary. (Before meeting, all enjoyed a fine stew made by Ken Greely.)

Secretary reads minutes of last meeting and they were approved.

Secretary Don Cheney goes over the program for the Memorial Service at the G.A.R. Plot. All members approved the program.

We will have breakfast at Denny's over at Curtner. From breakfast we will go to the cemetery for our Service.

Treasury Report 154.86.

Respectfully F C & L

Don Cheney

Sec.

# June 26, 1982

Camp called to order by Dorothy Greely - acting Auxiliary President. (Helen Pyle Auxiliary President was not present - had another engagement)

Preceeding[sic] Camp Meeting we had a good ravioli dinner.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Treasury report \$160.36

There being no more business to come before the Camp, it was closed in due form.

Sincerely in F. C & L

Dan Cheney

Sec.

July 1982 no meeting

Aug 1982 no meeting

# September 25, 1982

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mid-winter Dept. meeting - Oct 10 at Upland Calif (Chaffey Museum.)

Dinner nets Camp ten Dollars - dinner consisted of Macaroni & cheese plus a lovely cake - her Edith Crook's birthday-cake she baked herself.

Treasury Report <del>156.01.</del> 155.66

There being no further business, Camp was closed in due form.

Respectfully F C. & L

Dan Cheney Sec.

# October 23, 1982

Camp called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President. Minutes of last meeting was[sic] read & approved.

Dinner nets \$12.00 for Camp. (Stuffed Green Peppers)

Lenore Glass reports on the Flag Presentation on Sunday afternoon at 1:00 PM. (Oct. 24). There will be a program featuring the presentation.

Camp pays \$15.50 to Auxiliary as our half of the cost for the Flag to be presented to Retirement Inn of San José on Oct. 24.

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed in due form.

Respectfully in F. C. & L.

Das Cheney

#### November 27, 1982

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. (Preceeding meeting we enjoyed a wonderful Mock Ravioli dinner). Cook was Millie, Aug.[sic] Sec. Salad made by Ken.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary Don Cheney reports on the Flag Presentation to the Retirement Inn of San José. "Our National Emblem["] was presented by Camp Commander Wayne Pyle. After which Past National President Lenore Glass (1956) recited a poem "Our Flag". Piano music was furnished by Past Auxiliary President Lenore Edith Crook. Don Cheney, Camp Secretary led singing of "Glo God Bless America.["]

Respectfully F C & L

Das cheney

Sec.

# March 26, 1983

Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Under Good of the Order, Secretary Don Cheney reads an article "The Youngest General" of the Civil War - printed in the Feb 27 1983 issue of the San José Mercury.

Treasurer report 263.81

There being no further business to come before the Camp, meeting was closed in due form. Meeting turned over to Auxiliary.

Dinner served before meeting consisted of a meat loaf etc. Dorothy cooked the meat loaf.

Respectfully in F. C. & L.

Don Cheney

Sec.

#### **April 1983**

No Meeting Edith Crook had to be operated on

# April 30, 1983

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. (Enchalata[sic] dinner made by Ken Greely preceded[sic] meeting.)

Minutes of last meeting read & approved. Ten Dollars from dinner.

Our Memorial Service will be held May 21 at the home of Edith Crook - instead of at the GAR Plot at Oak Hill Cemetery. Reason for change is that there will not be enough to attend ceremonies at GAR Plot.

Secretary Don Cheney and Auxiliary Chaplain Doris Cheney will be on vacation so wont be here for the Memorial Service on May 30th.

A letter was read by Sec. Don Cheney written by Bro. Oscar Davis from Yountville, Calif. He also enclosed an article from a newspaper giving the history of Yountville. Article was read by Milie[sic] Gentile, Aug.[sic] Secretary.

Dept. Commander Ken Greely reports on Dept. Convention at Fresno, also reports given by Camp Commander Wayne Pyle, on the Convention.

Treasury Report 223.46.

There being no further business, meeting was closed and turned over to the Auxiliary for their meeting.

Respectfully, F C & L

Don Cheney Sec.

# May 21, 1983

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary President, Helen Pyle. (A lovely rabbit-fried dinner preceded[sic] the Camp Meeting.)

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Treasury was reimbursed by 10.50 from our dinner.

No reports on members being ill.

Treasury Report \$233.96.

After Camp Meeting a Memorial Program was held - a special reading was made from the old GAR Manual. Also two prayers was were read from the GAR Manual - one by Auxiliary Chaplain Doris Cheney and another prayer read by Secretary Don Cheney.

Respectfully

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June 1983 no meeting

**July** 

# July 23, 1983

Camp called to Order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President. A fine Bar-B-Q supper preceded[sic] the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved and seconded that Camp give \$25.00 to Com. Wayne Pyle Toward National Encampment.

Dinner nets Camp 10.00. Treasury report - 218.61

There being no further business to come before Camp, it was closed in due form.

Respectfully

Sec.

Das cheney

August 1983

(No Meeting)

#### September 17, 1983

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. Camp meeting was preceded[sic] by a nice chicken dinner made by the Greely family.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Ten dollars collected for the chicken dinner.

Commander Wayne Pyle reports on National Encampment. Bill Simpson, New Nat. Commander. Also Wayne brings back the "Act of Incorporation" by Congress of the U.S., plus editions of the Constitution & Regulations of 1982. Record of the 102nd Nat. Encampment Aug. 14-17-1983 at Portland, Maine. Plus a record of all the approved changes in our order. And finally the program of the 102nd Nat. Encampment.

Treasurey[sic] report \$228.61

There being no further business Camp was duly closed.

note - Oct. 8-9 - District Meeting in Ontario, Calif.

Yours in F C & L,

Dan Cheney Sec.

#### October 22, 1983

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. Preceeding[sic] camp meeting we all enjoyed a fine dinner - hamburger loaf made by Dorothy Greely.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Commander Wayne Pyle read a letter from Jerome Ortar Historian for SUVCW. He requests all the information we can supply about early history of Sons, Camps, etc etc.

Treasury report - 266.11.

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed in due form.

Rest of meeting turned over to Auxiliary.

FC&L

Don Cheney

Sec.

#### November 26, 1983

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Eight dollars received from our dinner. Money received as dues (7.00 each) from Don and Ken Greely and Wayne Pyle.

In December we will have a Christmas Party. Date December 10, Saturday. No meeting at that time - only a party. Auxiliary will serve the dinner at that time.

Under Good of the Order, Secretary asked Dorothy Greely to read a piece on the "Emblem of America".

Treasury report \$265.11

Respectfully in F. C. & L.

Das cheney

Sec.

December 1983

No Meeting

Christmas Party Dec. 10

#### January 28, 1984

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. (Preceeding[sic] a lovely chicken dinner prepared by Millie Gentile. \_\_\_\_\_[?] desert[sic] by Helen Pyle)

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary Don Cheney reads letters from out-of-town members - Oscar Davis, John Lewallen, John Locke

Draping of the Charter by the Auxiliary for the passing of Sister Edith Crook<sup>6</sup>. Prayer by Auxiliary Chaplain Doris Cheney.

Camp sends check for \$12.50 to be sent to Volunteer Services at O'Conner Hospital in memory of Edith Crook of the Auxiliary.

Treasury report \$331.111[sic]

Respectfully FC & L

Sec.

Don Cheney

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Sister Edith Amanda (Tran) Crook died 31 Dec. 1983 in Santa Clara Co., CA at the age of 92. She was born in California on 23 Sept. 1891. Her mother's maiden name was Houk.

# February 18, 1984.

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. (A lovely chicken & Dumpling dinner preceded[sic] our Camp Meeting.)

Mee Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary Don Cheney reads a nice letter from the O'Conner Hospital (Services Dept.) regarding (Camp's Auxiliary) donation of 25.00 in Memory of Sister Edith Crook.

Treasury report - 341.61.

Respectfully in F. C. & L.

Das cheney

Sec Treas.

#### March 24, 1984

Camp called to order by President of Auxiliary Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Dinner nets 7.50. Treasury report 356.61.

Commander Wayne Pyle discusses the coming Dept. meeting at Fresno in April. We will hold our next meeting of the camp on April 21, as we will be going down to Fresno for the Dept. meeting on the 27th.

Note - Before Camp meeting Dorothy Greely prepared a lovely fish-roll dinner. Millie Gentile made a very good salad.

Respectfully,

Dar Cheney

P.S. Finally it was decided <u>not</u> to have a meeting in April.

April 1984

No Meeting

May 198

#### May 19, 1984

Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle. Before meeting Camp enjoyed a wonderful dinner prepared by Millie Gentile.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Dinner nets Camp 11.00.

Under New Business, Secretary Don Cheney suggests we hold Memorial Day Ceremonies at Commander Wayne Pyle's home. Time will be a[t] 12:00 Noon on Monday May 28th.

Following Services a Bar B Q will be held at 2:00 PM.

Sunday morning we will help flag the graves at the GAR Plot. Flags are donated by Miss Stout, who will be with us along with her brother.

Treasury report - 289.62

Respectfully F C & L,

Dar Cheney

Sec.

July 28, 1984

Don Cheney Secretary was ill so did not attend. The following minutes was[sic] copied from Auxiliary Sec. records.

Wayne Pyle Camp Commander read application of Paul Miller from Watsonville.

Reported that Don & Doris returned from Vacation in Washington.

Ken Greely gave closing prayer.

Respectfully, F C & L - [no signature]

| June 1984            |  |
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| No Meeting           |  |
| <del>July 1984</del> |  |
| No Meeting           |  |
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| August 1984          |  |
| No Meeting           |  |
|                      |  |
| September 1984       |  |
| No Meeting           |  |

Oct. 27, 1984

Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary president, after a delicious supper prepared by Millie Gentile. (Pumpkin pie made by Helen.

Minutes of May read and approved.

Secretary Don Cheney and Chaplain Doris Cheney (Auxiliary) described their trip to Upland, Calif., where they met with the National Commander & National Sec President to Auxiliary. Visited the Museum in Upland & Bea who started the Museum about ten years ago.

Dinner nets Camp 7.50

Respectfully, F C & L

Sec.

Dar Cheney

November 1984

No Meeting

December 1984

No Meeting

# January 26, 1985

Camp called to order by Helen Pyle - following a delicious dinner cooked by Millie - & Helen Pyle, Doris Cheney supplied desert[sic] (Triffle-England)

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Treasury report - \$302.11

Yours in F. C. & L

Sec.

Das Cheney

February - No Meeting

#### March 23, 1985

First, a nice supper prepared by Millie, Secretary of the Auxiliary.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle. (Joint meeting)

Minutes of January meeting read & approved.

Dinner nets 10.00

Convention at Fresno, April 19-20-21. Memorial Services.

Moved & Seconded that Camp pay out 30.00 for Ken, Com. Wayne Pyle, and Don Cheney as payment for convention expenses. (30.00 each)

There being no further business Camp was closed in due form.

Adenta[sic] - A list of names of Members at large was sent to our Camp. Com. Wayne asked Camp Secretary to contact these people to see if any one of them would attend a Camp if it were formed close to where they live.

Yours in F. C. & L.

Don Cheney
Sec.

| April 1985 | No Meeting |    |
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| June 1985  | "          | 66 |
| July 1985  | "          | "  |

#### August 24, 1985

Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle President of Auxiliary.

This is our first meeting at the Mobile Home of Millie Gentile, Secretary of Auxiliary.

Dinner nets Camp \$11.45.

Camp gives the Social Club \$25.00 for expenses derived from visit of Thelma and daughter - dinner, ect etc.

Commander Wayne Pyle asked Secretary to call Dept. Secretary concerning a "Mr. Butcher" who wanted to become a member.

Our convention in April will be held at Santa Maria in 1986.

The Mid-winter Meeting will be held Oct. 13 at Ontario.

Preceeding[sic] our meeting we had a lovely dinner put on by the Auxiliary.

F, C & L

Sec.

Das Cheney

Adenta[sic]:

To celebrate Howard Payne's Birthday (93 yrs.) we called him on the phone and each of us said "Happy Birthday" and we sang a birthday song.

#### September 28, 1985

First, a wonderful meal at Dorothy's & Ken. Prepared by Ken Greely - spaggetti[sic] dinner & great desert[sic]. Enjoyed by all.

Camp called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary president. Meeting turned over to Sons.

Phone call to Howard \$2.10 camp paid.

Secretary Don Cheney reads a letter from Frank Miller Heacook[?] I Encampment Site chairman, asking for a "Grab Bag" to be handed out for the 105th National Encampment in Aug. 1986.

Total collected from dinner 11.00.

Our next Dept. Convention will be at Arroyo Grande, Calif. in April 11-12-13. Dorothy of the Auxiliary will send notice of our participation.

Respectfully in F C & L

Don Cheney Sec.

# November 23, 1985

Meeting held at the Cheney's at River Glen Mobile Home Park. Doris and Don served a nice Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings.

Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary president. Then turned over to the Sons. Ten Dollars and fifty cents taken in. Total monies 304.21 as of Nov. 23rd.

Respectfully In F.C & L

Don Cheney Sec.

# January 25, 1986

Camp & Auxiliary called to order by Helen Pyle. Meeting held at the home of Helen & Wayne Pyle. Before meeting we all enjoyed a lovely dinner (beef roast & trimmings)

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Treasury report - 394.31

Respectfully in F.C. & L.

Das Cheney

Sec/treas.

P.S. No meeting in February. We celebrated Wayne & Helen's fortieth wedding anniversary.

#### March 22, 1986

A lovely dinner over at Dorothy & Kens preceded[sic] our Camp meeting.

Camp & Auxiliary called to order by Helen, Auxiliary president.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Don Cheney, Secretary reports on his sending out 25 notices to members about the Dept. meeting in April at Grover City.

Moved & Seconded that \$30.00 be given to Don, Wayne, and Ken - total 90.00 to be used for Dept Convention this year.

Money from dinner 9.00

Treasury report 396.31 as one[sic] March 22, 1986.

Respectfully,

Sec.

Das Cheney

**April** 1986

No Meeting

# May 3, 1986

Meeting held at Millie Gentile's home - all enjoyed a lovely dinner before the meeting.

Auxiliary & Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Memorial Day Monday May 26th Contact Miss Stout on the cemetery work. Services to be held at the Pyles.at the Cemetery, Sunday May 25. Hamburgers & Hot Dogs served Monday Monday PM Sunday.

Don reads a letter from Col Sawyer our member at Arroyo Grande, Calif. He asked for a membership form from our Camp and one for Auxiliary. Also inquired about prices of certain badges.

Das cheney

Treasury report, 318.86

June 1986 no meeting

July 1986 no meeting

#### August 23, 1986

Lovely dinner - bar B Q meat at the Pyle's, preceded[sic] our Camp Meeting which was called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Miss Stout informed me via the phone that the Oak Hill Cemetery is going to put up a new flag pole in our G.A.R. Plot. (no change) Miss Stout and her brother were going to paint the old pole when told they didn't have to paint the flag pole. A pleasant surprise.

Commander Wayne Pyle read General Orders No. 3 and 4 Series 1985-86, Signal[?] Donald Roberts Commander-in-chief.

Secretary Don Cheney said he sent a new roster of members to The Banner.

This year the Oak Hill Cemetery donated flags (small) to put on all the graves at GAR Plot. A Boy Scout Troop flaged[sic] the graves.

Treasury report \$333.07

Respectfully,

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PS - Sent Department 10.00 Nat. Department.

#### September 27, 1986

A great dinner of roast beef <u>tenderly</u> cooked by Ken Greely. Tender peas and mashed potatoes. Dinner held at the Greely.

Camp called to order by Helen Pyle president of Auxiliary. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Veterans Council contacted Oak Hill Cemetery concerning the conditions of the GAR veterans graves at the cemetery. Graves are looking much better.

Concerning Mid Winter meeting, to be held in the San Jose Inn at San Jose. All those coming from down South will stay at the Inn - where we will have a breakfast and after have our meeting at the Inn. Be held in October 18-19. Betty Woerner, Dept. President and Elmer Wolgehmuth will come up. Edna Holt, Vickie & Thelma Crawford will also come for the meeting.

Our <u>Camp</u> Meeting will be Sat. Oct. 18 and all those coming up from the South will be at our Camp Meeting.

Amount collected for dinner 7.50

Treasury report 330.57.

Respectfully,

Das Cheney

Treas.

#### October 18, 1986

Preceeding[sic] our Camp meeting and Auxiliary meeting we had a wonderful spaggetti[sic] dinner prepared by Ken Greely.

Camp & Auxiliary called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President. Guests - Elmer Wohlgemuth & Betty Woerner, Bea Riggs, Edna Holt. Meeting & dinner held at the home of Dorothy and Ken Greely in Santa Clara.

Dorothy Greely reports on graves at GAR plot - grass has been cut & looks real good.

Secretary Don Cheney reads National General Orders for 1986-87.

Also reads a special notice that the Jewish Holocaust memorial building which will house the Holocaust Memorial Museum to be built in the shadow of our Washington Monument.

Treasury Report 355.76

Respectfully

Dan Cheney

#### November 22, 1986

Camp & Auxiliary called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President. Meeting held at Don & Doris Cheney's home. After a lovely dinner (beef roast etc)

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Secretary Don Cheney reads a letter from a Member-at-Large Brother Morgan Ries. He would like to join our Camp. So I sent him an application blank. Hope he will respond.

Don Cheney reports on the Holocaust literature he received from National. Before taking action - our Secretary will write the National Secretary for more material and information.

Dinner nets 7.50 Treasury report 363.26.

Respectfully

Sec.

Das Cheney

December 1986

No Meeting - Christmas Party instead.

#### January 24, 1987

First - a lovely dinner at Helen & Wayne's home. Steak and all the trimmings.

Meeting held after dinner, called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Secretary reads General Orders #2 from National.

Secretary sent a new roster of our Camp to The Banner.

Letters were read from Mr. Ries who joined our Camp, and Brother Miller, who sent a nice Christmas card.

Also received news of the passing of brother John Lewallen<sup>7</sup>, who passed away Dec. 6, 1986.

Secretary Don Cheney reads a letter he wrote to be mailed to all names on the Membersat-Large Roster. Commander Pyle give his permission that this letter be mailed.

Treasury Report \$435.11

10.50 dinner

\$445.61

yours in F. C. & L.

Das Cheney

Sec.

PS - Moved & Seconded that our Camp sent[sic] 5.00 to National Patriotic Instructor

#### February 1987

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Brother John Lindley Lewallen died 9 Dec. 1986 in San Joaquin Co., CA at the age of 89. He was born in Missouri on 28 June 1897. His mother's maiden name was Lindley.

# No Meeting

### Saturday March 28, 1987

Meeting held at the Greely's, after a fine dinner prepared by Ken.

Auxiliary & Camp meeting (combined) called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary president.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Secretary Don Cheney reads names and addresses of the Six new Camp members we acquired by sending out letters to thirty Members-at-Large. We now we have 21 members.

Dinner nets our Camp 7.50.

Ken Greely makes motion Camp give 35.00 to each of the following - Ken Greely, <del>Don Cheney</del>, Wayne Pyle. To be used as expenses to Dept. Meeting at Grover City. Seconded and so carried.

Ken Greely makes a motion Camp give Auxiliary \$50.00 to help them in attending the Dept. Meeting at Grover City.

Treasury report 323.60

Respectfully F. C. & L

Don Cheney

April - No Meeting

#### May 16, 1987

Meeting held at Dorothy & Ken Greely's home. A lovely dinner (stew) was prepared by Ken including salad and cooked pears, Preceded[sic] the meeting.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary reports on activities during Memorial Day. Boy Scouts & Cub Scouts will flag the graves at Oak Hill Cemetery (GAR Plot). Miss Stout is in charge of this service. Flaging[sic] will be done May 23 at 9:30 AM.

Secretary reads a nice letter from Peg & Thelma and and[sic] enclosure from a newspaper that told about our Dept. Meeting in May.

Secretary reports on Howard Paine - with his new <u>mailing</u> address. He is feeling pretty good, but is about blind. He is now in a <u>rest home</u> <u>Veterans</u> <u>adm</u>. <u>Hospital</u> in Wash. D.C.

Treasury report. 377.92

Respectfully

[no signature]

June - No Meeting

# July 25, 1987

Meeting called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. (Held at Helen & Wayne's house)

Minutes of May meeting read, approved after minor error was corrected.

Dinner money netted our Camp 15.00.

Treasury report 374.18.

Respectfully F C & L

Dan Cheney

Sec.

PS. A lovely dinner preceded[sic] our Meeting.

# August 22, 1987

Meeting held at Doris & Don's house. Nice meat-loaf dinner.

Camp Meeting call to order by Helen, President of Auxiliary.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Dinner money collected \$7.00.

Treasury report 368.68.

Moved & Seconded that we give Auxiliary 12.50 to pay half of their payment to National Auxiliary Patriotic order.

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed in due form.

Respectfully F C & L,

Dan Cheney

# September 26, 1987

Meeting held at Dorothy & Ken Greely's. Lovely dinner of chicken preceded[sic] the meeting.

Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President. Minutes [of] last meeting read & approved.

8.00 collected for dinner. Gave Auxiliary 23.00 toward trip down South.

Treasurer report 389.18

Respectfully, F C & L.

Don Cheney

No Meeting in October

#### November 28, 1987

Meeting held at Wayne & Helen's. Wonderful chicken dinner preceded[sic] the Camp Meeting.

Called to order by Helen Pyle Auxiliary President.

Special Memorial Service - "The Draping of the Charter" was held in memory of Ken Greely<sup>8</sup> and Lenore Glass<sup>9</sup> (Auxiliary member).

Dinner netted 7.50.

Under committees, Don reports he is working at trying to get a record of a Civil War Veteran for Titus Shaffer. His son[sic], John wants to join our Camp, and we need this information.

Commander Wayne Pyle suggests we get John Shaffer in as an <u>Associate Member</u>. In the meantime keep trying to locate records of his grandfather[sic].

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed in due form.

Treasury Report 378.36.

Yours in F C & L,

Don Cheney

Next Meeting Dec. 19 Christmas Program

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Brother Kenneth Horace Greely died 21 Oct. 1987 in Santa Clara Co., CA at the age of 69. He was born in Wisconsin on 5 Jan. 1918. His mother's maiden name was Rutherford.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Sister Lenore Downer Glass died 24 Aug. 1987 in Santa Clara Co., CA at the age of 95. She was born 26 Nov. 1891 in California. Her father's last name was Stone and her mother's maiden name was Downer.

# January 1988

Meeting held at the Cheney's - Lovely Ham & Bean dinner.

After dinner, Helen Pyle, Auxiliary called camp to order.

Under Sons meeting 50.00 was donated to Auxiliary. Also 35.00 was given to Wayne Pyle and 35.00 to Don Cheney as expenses to go to Dept meeting down South.

William Sawyer was assigned Jr. Vice Commander of Camp #4.

Treasury report 326.27

FC&L

Don Cheney

Sec.

# February 20, 1988

Meeting held at Dorothy Greely. Wonderful fish dinner.

Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary president.

Secretary read a letter from brother Snead. His wife is terminally ill with cancer so he is retiring from his dentistry. Along with his letter was his 7.00 diee dues for 1988. Later on he plans to come down to San Jose to attend a camp meeting.

No Camp meeting in March. We will be going down to Dept. Convention at that time.

Dinner nets Camp 11.00. Treasury Report - \$337.27

Yours in F. C. & L.

Das Cheney

Sec.

#### March 1988

No meeting - went to Dept. meeting at Grover City, Calif.

#### April 23, 1988

Meeting held at Millie Gentile's. Had a lovely dinner. Special delicious soup.

Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary president.

Dinner nets \$7.50.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Treasury Report 367.75

Our Camp will send 10.00 to National for Memorial fund.

It was decided that we have a barbeque[sic] at the Pyle's on Memorial Day. (spare ribs)

There being no further business, meeting was closed.

F. C. & L.

Das cheney

Sec.

No Meeting in May 30 - Bar Be Q held at Pyle's Before Bar Be Q we held a <u>memorial Service</u>.

- " " June
- " " July
- " " " Aug.

# September 24, 1988

Meeting held at Doris & Don Cheney's - after a nice chicken dinner.

Camp & Auxiliary called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President. Nine dollars collected - four dollars and half goes to Auxiliary & same for Camp.

Minutes read & approved (of last meeting).

Letter read letter[sic] from Elmer Wohlgemuth giving his new address in Whittier.

Treasurer report 384.48

There being no more business, meeting was closed in due form.

Respectfully

Das Cheney

Treas.

October - no meeting

# November 12, 1988

Meeting held at the Pyles - wonderful dinner. (Ham, and all the trimmings).

Camp called to order by Helen Pyle, President of Auxiliary.

Don Greely & his wife was were present. Joyce Greely also attended.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Treasury report \$391.55.

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was duly closed.

Respectfully,

Sec.

Dar Cheney

December 1988

No Meeting. Christmas Party

# January 1989

# No meeting in January

# February 25, 1989

Meeting held at the Cheney's. A nice dinner of chicken preceded[sic] the meeting.

Auxiliary President Helen Pyle called meeting to order. Minutes of last meeting read & approved. Treasury report 401.49.

There being no more business, Camp was closed in due form.

Yours in F. C. & L.

Dar cheney

# April 22, 1989

Meeting held at Joyce's in Santa Clara. Lovely chicken dinner.

Called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved. It was decided that next meeting will be My 29th Memorial Day. (Barbeque[sic] to follow).

Then we meet again, Sept. 23 at Don & Doris's.

Treasury Report \$429.85.

There being no further business to come before Camp, it was closed in due form.

Respectfully

Sec.

Day Cheney

PS - Our new member, Earl MacPherson was installed as a member of our Camp.

# Saturday, October 21, 1989

Lovely dinner of beef roast etc. at Helen & Wayne's home, preceded[sic] Camp Meeting.

Camp called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary president. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Camp Badge & ceremony book sent to 3 new members: Earl McPherson, Jackson W. Willoughlby[sic] and Thomas Outt.

Reported on Jeffrey L. Towery and the questions he asked about officers of the Civil War & histories of certain members who were his relatives. Also info on a marker for one of his relatives of the Civil War, who is buried near Grover City, Calif.

Dinner nets \$7.50.

Next meeting December - Christmas Party at Millie's

Treasury Report 348.87

[no signature]

Saturday, Feb 14, 1990

Meeting held at Don & Doris' home. Opened by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle (a lovely dinner preceded[sic] meeting)

Salute to the flag - Creed read.

Minutes of last meeting read. Discussion followed about a letter from Jeffrey Fowery regarding a marker for his relative's grave who is buried near Grover City, California. I wrote brother Towey & gave him info. on how to apply for a Marker. Haven't heard from him as of now.

Commander Pyle makes a motion we give 50.00 to the Auxiliary to help them along. Seconded & so carried. Money to help Auxiliary in planning trip to Dept. Convention.

Motion made to give 35.00 to Don Cheney and 35.00 to Commander Wayne Pyle for Dept. Convention expenses. Seconded & so carried.

Treasurers report - 424.36. Money collected from dinner \$4.50.

There being no further business to come before Camp it was closed in due form.

Respectfully in F. C. & L.

# April 28, 1990

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. Preceeding[sic] a <u>lovely dinner</u> over at Millie Gentiles. Meeting turned over to Sons.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Our Camp's order for Membership badges has not been filled, so Secretary Don Cheney has written <u>again</u> to try and trace our order & Money Order for \$72.00. This time letter was sent to our <u>new</u> National Treasurer.

No new business to come before Camp at this time. Memorial program to be discussed later on after the Auxiliary meeting.

Treasurer report \$313.83. (Dinner brought in \$7.50).

Discussion on the Memorial Day, May 28th.

Have a Service at 11:00 AM at the Pyle's, after service there will be a bar-b-q of spare-ribs & have hot dogs for the kids.

Don will get in touch with Miss Stout to find out her plans for flaging[sic] of the GAR graves at Oak Hill.

Respectfully in F C & L

# May 28, 1990

Memorial Day program was conducted at Millie Gentile's home at 11:00 AM. The service was conducted by Doris Cheney, Auxiliary chaplain & Don Cheney, Camp chaplain to the Sons, assisted by Millie Gentile.

All four of our 5 Orders were honored in a short ceremony, followed by a brunch.

Respectfully,

Don Cheney

# September 22, 1990

After a <u>lovely dinner</u> at Wayne & Helen's home, Auxiliary president Helen Pyle called meeting to order. (Note - before meeting we enjoyed a <u>real active thunder</u> & <u>lightening[sic] storm.)</u>

Meeting turned over to the Sons. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Secretary discusses the making of a new Camp down south. Dept. Commander Bill Sawyer will be the one responsible for this new Camp. More on this at a later date.

Treasury report - 379.94

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed in due form.

Respectfully

Don Cheney

# October 27, 1990

Meeting held at Don & Doris' home. First, a lovely dinner of roast beef & trimmings.

Camp Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle, president [of] Auxiliary.

Meeting turned over to Sons. Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Secretary, under old business, stated that the new Camp down south will be formed by Sons of Veterans <u>Return</u> Reserves. They will not have to join Phil Sheridan Camp first & then transfer to a new Camp of their making.

Treasurer report 403.06.

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was duly closed.

Respectfully

Sec.

Dar Cheney

Christmas Party held at Millie Gentiles home.

Twelve attended - a good time had by all - great dinner, & exchange of gifts.

# January 25, 1991

Meeting held at Helen & Wayne's Home - Lovely Ravioli Dinner, preceeding[sic] the meeting.

Camp called to order by Helen, president of Auxiliary, later turned over to Sons - (Wayne Pyle, Camp Commander).

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Drapping[sic] of the charter for Robert Silses[?] and Elmer Wohlgemuth<sup>10</sup>.

Ten new Associate Members added to our Camp. Members will stay in our Camp until transfered[sic] to a new Camp in So. Calif.

Camp Commander Wayne Pyle and Don Greely, Sr Vice Com. will go down to Whittier, Calif. to pick up records of Dept. Secretary-treasurer, Elmer Wohlgemuth who passed away.

Date of journey not yet decided - probably around first week in February.

Treasury report - 558.29.

Respectfully in F.C.&L.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Brother John Elmer Wohlgemuth died 15 Jan. 1991 at Whittier, Los Angeles Co., CA at the age of 82. He was born in Los Angeles Co., CA on 24 Feb. 1908. His mother's maiden name was Bacon.

# May 18, 1991

Meeting held at Helen & Wayne Pyle's home. A delightful Bar-B-Q Dinner proceeded the camp meeting.

Auxiliary president called meeting to order (Helen Pyle).

Dues raised - Camp per capita tax 2.50 plus  $50\phi$  to dept. and  $75\phi$  for Camp. Yearly total 15.00 per member.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Memorial Day plans: - On Monday, May 27 we will hold our service over at Millie's. Followed by a light lunch.

Next meeting will be in Sept. so everyone can have part of the Summer to vacation.

Don will contact Miss Stout about flaging[sic] of Graves our at Oak Hill Cemetery. Boy Scouts will flag graves and the cemetery will take flags off of GAR graves. Flags are kept at the cemetery & are donated by the cemetery for our use.

Treasurer report 502.48. Dinner total received \$7.50

There being no further business to come before the Camp, it was closed in due form.

Respectfully in F. C. & L.

# October 29, 1991

Camp Meeting called to order by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President - after a lovely dinner at the Cheney's.

Meeting turned over to the Sons. Minutes of last meeting read & approved. Dinner nets \$4.50. Treasury report 561.81.

Don reports on not being able to contact Miss Stout regarding Memorial Day activities. Her phone was disconnected.

There being no further business to come before the Camp, it was closed. Closing prayer by chaplain, <u>Don Cheney</u>.

Treasury Report - 557.31 Camp closed in due form.

# January 31, 1992

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle - after a delightful dinner prepared by Helen.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Flag Salute. American Creed.

Convention down at Garden Grove April 3-4-5 1992.

Secretary Don Cheney is to get out notice to all members, including Asso. about convention.

Treasury report 824.34.

Meeting closed in due form.

Next meeting - March 20.

Yours in F. C. & L.

Dar cheney

Sec.

Moved & Seconded that following bills be paid - For dept. printing of convention announcement. (\$3.79) Postage to mail convention announcement (\$19.83) 100 delinquent forms - 2.00

### March 20, 1992

Meeting held at Millie's. A lovely dinner preceded[sic] the meeting.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Salute to the flag and American Creed recited.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Convention of the Department to be held April 3, 4, 5, to be held at Garden Grove Grover City, Calif.

We are all going down in Don Greely's bus to convention. Camp will pay Don 35.00 for gas. Also take out 35.00 to be paid to Commander Pyle for the trip and 35.00 to Don Cheney, Sec. for trip to Dept. Convention. Also give 50.00 to Auxiliary to defray expense to convention.

Receipts of the evening \$6.00 to pay for dinner.

Don, Secretary of the Camp receiving a phone call from Brother Wheeler, Commander of the Sydney Camp in Ithica[sic] New York. He reported that his Camp has 60 members & is very active.

Treasury report 687.87.

There being no more business to come before the Camp is was closed in due form.

Respectfully,

Sec.

Don Cheney

Camp Commander, Wayne Pyle gives Secretary/treasurer permission to purchase needed supplies consisting of postage stamps (5.80) and box of large #10 envelopes (\$1.07).

# September 26, 1992

Dinner at Doris & Don's home, at 6:30 pm.

Camp Meeting opened at 8:00 pm by Helen Pyle.

American Creed recited following Salute to flag.

Minutes of last meeting read and corrected as follows - the \$35.00 that was supposed to be paid to Don Greely for gas taking our Camp down to Convention at Grover City, was put back in the Camp treasury due to the fact that Don didn't take us down in his van - Wayne drove us down instead.

Note - Camp held a Bar B Q on Memorial Day, May 28, 1992 at Wayne & Helen's home. Treasury report 769.01 as of Sept. 26, 1992

Sorry to report the passing of a Camp member, Mr. Harold Davis<sup>11</sup> who lived in Grass Valley, Calif. Letter of condolences sent to his wife & family.

Dinner nets Camp \$4.50

There being no more business to come before the Camp, it was closed in due form.

Respectfully

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Brother Harold Eldon Davis died on 3 Sept. 1992 at Grass Valley, Nevada Co., CA at the age of 76. He was born in Missouri on 24 July 1916. His mother's maiden name was Barry.

### October 24, 1992

Meeting held at Helen & Wayne Pyle's home. Lovely chicken dinner preceded[sic] the meeting.

Camp called to order by Helen. Salute to the flag, and American Creed recited. Camp turned over to Sons.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Dinner nets 7.50

Secretary reports that our Camp has acquired <u>Seven</u> new members due to receiving a list of 30 <u>potential</u> names from National. May get more requests for membership as time goes on.

Secretary hands in his bills amounting to 17.55 - supplies purchased, including stationary plus printing & postage.

It was moved & seconded that these bills be paid to the Secretary. And so carried.

Next meeting will be a Christmas Party no regular <u>camp</u> meeting. There will be a Camp Meeting Jan 4th (Sat.)

Department Meeting at Grover City will be on March 27-28 26-27-28

There being no further business, Camp was closed in due form.

Respectfully

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Treasurer Report - 876.28

No Meeting in December - Christmas party at Millie's on December 19th

Camp Meeting in[sic] Jan. 4, 1993

Dept Meeting March 26-27-28 1993

### March 6, 1993

Meeting held at Millie's - a wonderful dinner preceded[sic] the Camp meeting.

Camp called to order by [Auxiliary] President Helen Pyle.

Salute to the Flag.

American Creed recited by all present.

Minutes of last meeting read & corrected.

Dinner Nets \$6.00

Under Good of the Order - Secretary reports we got seven more new members due to contacting names given us by National as potential members.

Camp Commander Wayne Pyle makes motion our Camp give the Auxiliary \$50.00 to defray expenses going to Dept. Convention.

Also, Commander Wayne receive 35.00 for expenses to Convention.

And the same amount given to Sec Don Cheney (\$35.00) as expenses to Dept. Convention in March.

Treasury report 1067.83 as of Feb 27th

Respectfully

Don Cheney

# April 24, 1993

Meeting held at Helen Pyle's home. After a lovely dinner, Camp was called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Salute to the flag.

American Creed recited by all present.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Dinner brings in 7.50 to Camp.

Secretary reads a letter of appreciation from out Commander-in-chief Elmer F. Atkinson pretaining[sic] to his visit to Calif to attend Dept. Convention at Grover Beach, Calif.

Also read a letter from Keith Harrison, Jr. Vice Commander-in-chief pretaining[sic] to change in By-laws that affect the admittance of Juniors to our Order. Lowers age limit below 14 years.

Treasury report 908.93

There being no further business, meeting was closed in due form.

Addenta[sic] - Since Don Cheney will represent out Order at the Memorial Services at Oak Hill Memorial Park, and will lay a wreath on the Unknown Soldier's Grave, there will be no services of at Wayne Pyle's home on Memorial Day.

FC&L Don Cheney

Sec

### October 23, 1993

First, before Camp Meeting we enjoyed a lovely dinner at Camp Commander's home-cooked by Helen Pyle, Auxiliary President.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle. Salute to Flag.

American Creed recited by all present.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Dinner brings in 9.00

Treasury report 972.44

Discussion of the coming Dept. Convention. It was decided that the Camp Sec (Dept Sec) send out notice to all members to find out who is likely to be able to attend. Date was set at Nov. 15 for the deadline. All who respond by that time will be sent to necessary information as to time of Dept. Convention, as well as particulars on Motel lodging, etc. Those <u>not</u> answering will <u>not be sent</u> information as to lodging, etc.

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed in due form.

Respectfully in F. C. & R.[sic]

Das Cheney

# January 22, 1994

Preceeding[sic] the meeting we had a wonderful chicken dinner at Helen Pyle's.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Salute to the flag. Roll call of officers.

American Creed given.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Dinner nets 7.50 plus

Treasury report \$1,072.62 as of 1/22/94.

The Dept. Encampment was discussed - there were only 5 replies from members who said they were going to attend.

Secretary wrote Harold Smith, Dept. Commander to make sure he is coming to Encampment.

Next meeting Feb. 26 Sat. at the Cheney's.

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed.

Respectfully

Don Cheney

# February 25, 1994

Camp meeting held at the home of Don & Doris Cheney. Lovely roast-beef dinner preceded[sic] the meeting.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle.

Salute to the Flag - followed by roll call of officers.

American Creed recited.

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

Under new business it was moved, seconded, & approved that Camp give 50.00 to Auxiliary for expenses in going to the Dept. Convention.

Rest of meeting was dedicated to the up-coming Dept. Convention.

Treasury report. 989.72

Respectfully,

Day Cheney

### October 22, 1994

Camp meeting held at Helen's (preceded[sic] by a delicious dinner of Pork chops etc.

Camp called to order by Auxiliary president Helen Pyle.

Salute to the Flag.

Roll call of officers all present by S.V.C. Don Greely & Clark Seum.

American Creed recited.

Minutes of the last meeting read & approved.

### Under New Business

Sec. Don Cheney reports there are now several new members of our Camp that live in San Jose that he is sure will come to Camp meetings each month.

To test this out, Don will call these new members and find out who will be able to attend our November 19 meeting, as well as future Camp meetings.

Auxiliary president Helen Pyle says we can handle a membership of not more than 15 at one of our homes - any more, we will have to rent the Social Hall at Riverglen Mobilehome Park (\$10.00). All will depend on the response of Camp members on November 19th.

Auxiliary secretary Millie Gentile will try and see if any wifes[sic] of Camp members would like to join our Auxiliary.

Treasury Report - 1,289.30.

It was decided that our Christmas Party, held at Millie's, will be on Dec. 10th.

Respectfully submitted,

Das Cheney

Sec.

PS. Also, it was decided to install all new members who attend the Nov. 19 meeting.

# January 28, 1995

Meeting held at the home of Com. Wayne Pyle who called meeting to order at 8:00 pm.

Members present: Don Cheney, Sec/Treas, Daniel Bunnell, Donald Pray, and Clark Seum, Chaplain.

Chaplain Seum gave the Divine Blessing.

The American Creed was recited in unison by all present, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Reading & approval of minutes of last meeting.

Visitor present - Marcus Hasking a potential member.

Initiation of Canadates[sic]: Donald W. Pray, Clark Seum & Daniel Bunnell - Commander Wayne presiding.

Commander Wayne announces that next month (Feb) we will nominate Camp officers, followed by Installation.

Also our coming Dept. Encampment to be held at Grover Beach on Mar. 31 - April 1-2 was mentioned.

Treasurer's Report: \$1411.72

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed in do[sic] form. Chaplain Seum gave the closing prayer.

# February 24, 1995

At the Home of Wayne and Helen:

Camp called to order by Auxiliary President Helen Pyle.

Bible opened by Doris Cheney, Aux. Chaplain.

Flag Salute and American Creed given in unison.

Meeting turned over to The Sons: - Wayne Pyle - Commander.

Roll Call of officers:

Minutes of last meeting read & approved.

No Committees to Report.

Under "New Business["] the up-coming Dept. Encampment was discussed. As Wayne will not be going to Encampment at Grover Beach, Don Cheney, Secretary will stand-in for Wayne, who is Dept. Treasurer.

Camp meeting was then turned over to the Auxiliary, Helen Pyle, presiding President, after Don gave his treasurers report - \$1559.42.

Chaplain Clark Seum gave the closing prayer, and Camp was closed in due-form.

Respectfully,

Sec.

Dar Cheney

(next meeting - April 22 (Sat) a pot luck.

PS- Voted to keep same Camp officers for the New year.

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. April 22, 1995

Camp opened by acting Commander, Don Cheney. Chaplain Clark Seum gave the Divine Blessings; followed by the salute to our flag, and the "American Creed." Roll Call of Officers found all present.

Minutes of last meeting were read by Don Cheney, secretary and were approved. No unfinished business.

UNDER NEW BUSINESS: nominations were open for a new Camp Commander. Don Cheney nominated Dan Bunnell for the position. It was moved and seconded and so carried that Dan become our Camp Commander. All brothers welcomed our new Camp Commander.

We still need a Jr. Vice Commander; this will be taken up at our next meeting.

Don Cheney suggests we hold future Camp Meetings every-other-month. Before acting on this, Don Greely suggested we first discuss the matter with the Auxiliary.

As our Camp grows larger, it was suggested that we use the Rec-Hall in the River Glen Mobile Home Park. No luck, as only residents of the Park can use the facilities.

Treasurer's report \$1097.99

Closing prayer given by Chaplain Clark Seum. There being no further business to come before that Camp it was closed in due form.

Respectfully,

Don Cheney, Sec.

Dan Cheney

Addenta[sic]: After the meeting brother Dan discussed a matter that really should have been included in today's meeting: Dan received a letter from Elmer Atkinson our Pc in C. inforning[sic] us of a Special Eagle Scout event to be held in Sacramento. Boyscout[sic] Bradford J. Wilbourn, of Troop 288 in Elk Grove willbe[sic] presented his Eagle Scout Award at a "Court of Honor," on June 9, 1995.

Brother Atkinson has asked that our Camp send a brother to be present to present a[n] Eagle Scout Certificate to Bradford. Dan Bunnell volunteered to do the Honor as a member of Phil Sheridan Camp #4 SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR.

This is a special situation as Brad suffers from a congenital miscle[sic] disease and has been confined to a wheelchair since birth. Don Greely suggested we include a check for \$50.00 from our Camp. All brothers agreed.

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. June 17, 1995

Proceeding the meeting out Camp Charter was draped in memory of the passing of Wayne Pyle<sup>12</sup>, our former Camp Commander and Dept. Treasurer. Both Sons and Auxiliary met together and the ceremony was performed by Camp Chaplain Clark Seum.....It was a beautiful Service.

### **CAMP MEETING**

Camp was opened by our new commander, Dan Bunnell. Chaplain Seum gave the Divine Blessing, followed by the salute to the Flag and the American Creed.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Roll Call of Officers: Sr. Vice Commander Don Greely, absent.

### **UNDER OLD BUSINESS:**

The special "Eagle Scout Event" was postponed until June 26th at which time Dan will present an Eagle Scout Certificate and badge to Bradford Wilbourn. Dan will wear his Civil War costume at the presentation as he represents PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 of San Jose. A graduation gift of \$50.00 will also be presented to Bradford by our Camp Commander.

### **UNDER NEW BUSINSESS:**

We do not have a Jr. Vice Commander at this time, so at the next meeting, which will be in September, this matter will be taken up.

Secretary Don Cheney will order name-plates for the following brothers: Dan Bunness[sic], Don Cheney, Don Pray and Clark Seum. Cost of tags , \$5.00 each.

Secretary Don Cheney makes a motion that we hold our Camp Meeting every-other-month. Seconded and so carried. Next meeting will be held in September to begin our new schedule of every-other-month.

Patriotic Instructor, Dan Bunness[sic] gave a very interesting talk on the book "Glorious Contentment, the G.A.R.["]

Newly elected Camp officers for 1995-1996 are as follows:

Camp Commander: Daniel Bunnell
Commander (Sr. V.) Don Greely
Sec/Treas. Don Cheney
Patriotic In. Daniel Bunnell
Chaplain Clark Seum

Treasurer's Report: Bl. On hand: \$1761.7[sic] Closing Prayer given by Chaplain Clark Seum.

Dar Cheney

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Brother Wayne Stanley Pyle died on 14 April 1995 in Santa Clara Co., CA at the age of 70. He was born 5 Dec. 1924 in Santa Cruz Co., CA. His mother's maiden name was Tran.

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. Sept. 23, 1995

Camp Meeting opened at 7:45 P.M. by Commander Dan Bunnell, at the home of Helen Pyle. Previous to the opening all brothers joined the Auxiliary in their meeting room for the Opening Ceremonies: Chaplain Seum gave the opening prayer, followed by the salute to the flag and the American Creed.

Camp was resumed in out room:

Minutes of last meeting was read and approved.

Roll Call of Officers: Sr. Vice Comander[sic], Don Greely, absent

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

We are in need of a Jr. Vice Commander. There were no voluntees[sic] at our June Meeting. Don Cheney nominated Don Pray for the position. Don declined to take the position, so the matter will be presented at the next meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Commander Dan reported on his presentation of the Eagle Scout Certificate to Bradford Wilbourn at Elk Grove, Calif. which was sponsored by Gen. George Write[sic] Camp #22 our new camp.

Don Cheney reports on how many members of our Camp transfered[sic] to our two new camps. We lost four to Elk Grove and 21 to Sgt. Wm. Pittenger Camp #21 at Escondido, Calif.

Commander Dan Bunnell announced that INNER NET[sic] is being used to call attention to S. U. V. C. W. Also reports on his progress on the G.A.R. HIGHWAY #6. He found no cooperation from highway authorities as to how historic markers are fairing or if any exist at this time.

Don Cheney was asked to get up a roster of all camp members of the camp at Escondido and Dan, our commander will work up a good advertising campaign concerning the future attemps[sic] of calling the highway to the attention of the authorities in charge.

Two brothers who did not show up at meeting were: Richard Loomis and Randal Carlson.

We again met with the Auxiliary for the closing ceremonies with Chaplain Clark Seum giving the closing prayer.

Respectfully,

Don Cheney, Sec.

Don Cheney

### PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. October 1995

Camp meeting opened at 7:30 P.M. by Commander Dan Bunnell, at the home of Helen Pyle. Previous to the opening, all brothers joined the Auxiliary in their meeting room for the Opening Ceremonies. Chaplain Seum gave the opening prayer, followed by the salute to the flag and the AmericanCreed[sic].

Camp was resumed in our room...minutes of last meeting was[sic] read and approved. Roll Call of Officers: Sr. Vice Commander, Don Greely was absent.

### **OLD BUSINESS**:

Our Camp is still without a Jr. Vice Commander. Possibly, when more members attend we will be able to fill the position.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

National is offering an award, in the form of a placard, to people who fly the American Flag. Our Camp's challenge is to encourage neighbors and business people to fly a flag to show their patriotism and receive the placard.

A gentleman attended our meeting tonight who is an active reenactor and to promote intest[sic] in this subject, associated with the Northern California Civil War Association Magazine.

There being no further business, meeting was closed, and we all met with the Auxiliary for the closing ceremonies, with Chaplain Clark Seum giving the closing prayer.

Respectfully,

Don Cheney Camp Sec.

Dan Cheney

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. January 1996

Camp Meeting opened at 7:30 on the 27th of January, by Camp Secretary, Don Cheney, as Commander Dan Bunnell was absent. Meeting held at Helen Pyle's home. All brothers joined the Auxiliary in their meeting room for Opening Ceremonies. Camp Meeting was resumed in our room.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Roll Call of Officers; Commander Dan Bunnell and Don Greely were absent. Other brothers present were Don Pray and our Chaplain, Clark Seum.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Don Cheney reported that he found a likely place where we could hold our Camp Meetings---at the Willow Glen Inn on Lincoln Ave. Manager of the restaurant said we could use a large space in the back of the Inn. Of course we would have dinner there before our meetings. There is plenty of room so we could receive more of our members thus building up our attending brothers. This will be brought up at our meeting on February 17th.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

News on coming encampment at Grover Beach----Motel 6 in Grover beachsent[sic] us information on their rates (Double Room, \$33.99 per night).

TREASURER'S REPORT: \$1909.64

There being no further business to report, meeting was closed and all brothers went in to the closing ceremonies of the Auxiliary and our Chaplain, Clark Seum gave the closing prayer.

Respectfully,

Don Cheney, Sec.

Don Cheney

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP # 4 San Jose, Calif. Feb. 17, 1996

Camp meeting opened at 7:30 P.M. by Camp Commander Dan Bunnell. Meeting held at Helen Pyle's home. All brothers joined the Auxilary[sic] in their meeting room for Opening ceremonies; and our Camp Meeting was resumed in our room.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Roll Call of Officers all present but Don Greely.

### OLD BUSINESS:

Still on our agenda is looking for a place to hold Camp Meetings. This subject will be held over until after Department Encampment at Grover Beach. And will be taken up at our next Camp Meeting.

A Department Charter is still on the agenda. National does not have any information for us on names that were on the old Dept. Charter that was lost when Elmer, our former Dept. Secretary, passed away. They have informed us that if we supply them with the names that were on the old Dept. Charter, they will send us a new Department Charter!

All right, we will follow their orders. Dan says he will take this upon his shoulders and send them names necessary for the Department to issue a new Department Charter!

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Election of Camp Officers. Don makes a motion we keep our same officers for another year. Voted on and so carried.

Department Encampment plans: We want to Nominate Dan Bunnell for Dept. Commander and Jean[sic] Armistead for Jr. Vice Commander. Also it was decided to use the Memorial Service for Departed members that is printed in our Ritual and Ceremonies, when conducting the Service for Wayne Pyle, our former Dept. Treasurer.

Our Camp is sending down 17 members to the Dept. Encampment at Grover Beach. Seven coming from Pittenger Camp in Esconditio, and one from Elk Grove. A total of 25 (at least).

TREASURER'S REPORT: \$1943.24

There being no further business to come before the Camp it was closed in due form and all brothers went in to the closing ceremonies of the Auxiliary, and our Chaplain, Clark Seum gave the closing prayer.

Respectfully,

Don Cheney, Sec.

Dan Cheney

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP # 4 San Jose, Calif. April 20, 1996

Camp Meeting opened at 7:30 P.M. by Camp Commander Dan Bunnell. Meeting was held at Helen Pyle(s[sic] home. All brothers joined the Auxilary[sic] in their meeting room for Opening Ceremonies; and our Camp Meeting was resumed in our room.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Roll call of officers, all present but Don Greely and Clark Seum our Chaplain.

Before anything more was discussed, Secretary Don Cheney presented a DEPT. COMMANDER'S BADGE to Dan Bunnell, our newly elected Dept. Commander. This badge should have been given to him during the Encampment (Dept.) but Don Greely, neglected to bring it along.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Dan reported on the progress being made by National on our New Dept. Charter. Due to illness in the family of Dave Wallace, our National Secretary, there was a delay. Dave has since sent the charter to our Commander-in-Chief....to sign and return to us.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

We are looking for a new place to held[sic] our Camp Meetings. A long discussion ensued before it was decided to find a good restaurant that would have a suitable place for meetings. Don Cheney suggested the Willow Glen Inn on Lincoln Avenue. It was agreed to try this eatery.

But most important to all, before anything else, is to have a Newsletter for Phil Sheridan Camp #4, that will be mailed out to all members. Even those living too far to attend meetings. It will stimulate interest and better keep them as members.

Commander Dan Bunnell says he will take over the printing, etc. of the Newsletter. And Don Pray was very enthusiastic about writing interesting articles for the publication.

Chuck Davis, Commander of the Elk Grove Camp is arranging to obtain colored Banners to represent the Four Stations in a Camp Room. Dan suggested that our Camp buy a set when available. Motion was carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: \$1744.87

Respectfully,

Don Cheney, Sec.

Don Cheney

## PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. June 1, 1996

Camp Meeting opened at 8:15 P.M. by Camp Commander Dan Bunnell. Meeting was held at the Willow Glen Restaurant on Lincoln Ave.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Roll Call of Officers; Don Greely absent. The following members were present, also: Charles Christian, from Santa Rosa--John Harms, Walnut Creek--Members called but did NOT show up:--John O'Lague, San Lorenzo--Terence Bowers, Milpitas and Crittenden Bell, San Jose.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Dan reports on the four STATION BANNERS denoting Fraternity, Charity & loyalty (plus one displaying the American Flag). These are available and Dan is ordering a set for our Camp. The Banners are made from Satin with gold fringes.

Great News!! we have finally received our DEPT. CHARTER from National, and Dan Said they did a beautiful printing job! He will have it framed and bring it to Camp at next meeting.

Everyone [was] pleased with our <u>first</u> NEWSLETTER put out by Dan Bunnell, our Commander. Dan says the success of the Newsletter depends on the civil war articles sent to him for publication, by Camp Members!

John Harms volunteered to be our Jr. Vice Commander, which was appreciated by all present.

At this time, Dan asked for a list of the <u>duties</u> of all Camp Officers. To freshen memories, it was suggested that we all refer to our Constitution & Regulations for this information.

### NEW BUSINESS

Our Commander explains to the Camp how the Eagle Scout awards are presented to its members. Such a presentation is to take place in Redwood City on Tuesday, June 15th so he asked for a volunteer to take his place as it was impossible for him to do the honors. Donald Pray said he would be glad to take on this project. We all thank you, Don!

Dan reports on the upcoming week of July Parade at Redwood City. The Sons have been invited to attend.

In the next Newsletter, our Commander is going to try and start up a group of our Camp Members (at least 5) who would be willing to get uniforms and perform in future parades and other community events...a S.V.R. unit (Sons of Veteran Reserve).

Dan reports that he "bought" a table at South Bay Bar-B-Q for \$10.00. He is going to distribute literature about our Order to bring in new members.

There being no new business to come before the Camp it was closed in due form. Closing prayer by Chaplain Clark Seum.

(Treasurer report: \$1907.07.

Don Cheney

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. October 26, 1996

Camp Meeting called to order by Commander Dan Bunnell at 7:30 P.M. in the home of Dan & Doris.

Roll Call of Officers: Absent were: Don Greely, John Harris Harms and Clark Seum, our Chaplain.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Brother present: Marcus Haskins, Donald Pray, Dean Walbach and Dennis Bunnell, Don Cheney and Dan Bunnell.

Dan introduced his brother, Dennis, and presented his application for membership. Don Cheney, acting as Chaplain, gave Dennis the obligation.

Commander Bunnell described his witnessing as the full Initiation Ceremony at National--a wonderful sight to behold! Dan also reported on the trophy (a large silver cup) he received at Nashville-a trophy presented to the Dept. having the largest increase in membership which Calif. had (now 5-camps strong).

Dan reported on his visit to Santa Rosa where he met Chuck Davis [(]the secretary-treasurer, Dept. of Calif.). Also saw Chuck's cannon he uses at special events. Chuck informed Dan that at Colma, Calif; someone built a filling station right over a G.A.R. gravesight[sic]! As Grave Registrar, [Chuck] is tracking down the location of this Plot. He will make it "hot" for the culprit or culprits who did this.

Don Pray reported on an Eagle scout award ceremony that he attended.

Sons of Veterans Reserves and their activities was[sic] reported on by Dan. They are recruiting new members, and Don Cheney signed on. Dan would like to see unit going on in San Jose.

It was moved, seconded and so carried that our Camp send \$25.00 to the Daisy Anderson Fund to aid her as she is the last of the negro ladies left whose husband was a Civil War veteran.

Commander Bunnell reported on his finding of a good place for us to meet...plenty of room and no rent! His church at 3rd and San Carlos streets. (The First Emanuel Lutheran Church). Dan will make all of the arrangements for this.

It was decided that our next meeting be held in January (last Saturday).

Brother Dean Worshach reported on the Civil War Roundtable; their activities, etc.

There being no further business to come before those present, it was closes[sic] indue[sic] form. Don Cheney read the closing prayer as acting chaplan[sic].

Treasurer's Report: \$1770.83

Don Cheney, Treasurer

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Respectfully,

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. January 25, 1997

Camp Meeting called to order by Commander Dan Bunnell, at 7:45 P.M.

Tonight we met at our new "Camp Ground" at the First Immanual[sic] Lutheran Church on South Third Street.

Opening prayer by acting Chaplain, Don Cheney

Salute to our Flag.

Roll Call of Officers found the following absent: Don Greely Vice Commander--Ju.[sic] V. Commander John Harms (had bronkitis[sic]) and Chaplain Clark Seum.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Secretary Don Cheney reads a letter of thanks from Daisy Anderson, the last of the negro ladies whose husband was a Civil War Veteran, thanking us for the \$25.00 we sent her.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Dan wishes to join the Veterans Council of Santa Clara; membership Dues are \$25.00 per year. This will give us a "voice" in the council as well as helping us with problems pretaing[sic] to Veterans

It was moved and seconded, and so carried that Dan Joins the Veterans Council----our Camp will pay the yearly dues for Dan.

Treasurer's Report: ON HAND...\$1,974.39

There being no further business to come before Camp, it was closed in due form.

Respectfully,

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Camp Secretary

## PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP # 4 San Jose, CAIF.[sic] March 22, 1997

Camp Meeting called to order by Camp Commander Dan Bunnell at 7:40 P.M. Location of meeting, First Immanuel[sic] Lutheran Church on South Third Street.

Opening Prayer by Chaplain Clark Seum.

Salute to the Flag

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Officers Present: Commander Dan Bunnell, Commander--Vice Commander John Harms--Sec./Treas. Don Cheney--Patriotic Inst. Dan Bunnell--Chaplain Clark Seum.

Regular Members present: Eugene Fortini from San Leandro

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Dan discussed the problem of Civil War Veterans' graves being forgotten and in some cases being covered over with sidewalks and even buildings. Chuck Davis, Dept. Secretary in Elk Grove, Calif. was especially concerned and wrote his congressman regarding the matter of a grave "cover-up" in Coloma, California.

Dan states that he joined the Veterans' Council just so he could work with the council in discovering these grave atrocities; and take legal-action! Also take action on the run-down cemeteries in California whose veterans plots are in bad condition.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Our Camp Commander made a motion that Phil Sheridan Camp #4 present secretary Don Cheney with a 50 year MEMBERSHIP PIN as he has been a member since the 1940s. Moved, seconded and so-carried.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Don nominates Dan Bunnell for another term as Camp Commander. Seconded and so carried. Don nominates John Harms for another term as Jr. Vice Commander. Seconded and so carried. Brother Harms volunteered to take Sr. Vice Commander while our secretary finds out if Don Greely would like to run another term as Sr. Vice. (Thanks, John!)

Don Cheney says he will act as Sec./Trea. For another year.

Commander Bunnell nominates his brother, Dennis, for Patriotic Instructor. Seconded and co carried.

Clark Seum says he will be our Chaplin[sic] for the year 1998.

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Treasurer's Report: \$1860.99

Camp was closed in due format 9:00 P.M.

Respectfully,

Don Cheney, Sec./Treas.

Dan Cheney

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP # 4 San Jose, Calif. May 31, 1997

Camp meeting called to order by Camp Commander Dan Bunnell (7:00 P.M.)

Opening prayer by Chaplain Clark Seum

No Flag Salute as flag kept at Church was not available. In future, secretary will bring small flag to meetings.

American Creed recited in unison.

ROLL CALL OF CAMP OFFICERS: Camp Commander, Dan Bunnell, present; Sr. Vice Commander Don Greely absent; J.V. Commander John Harms absent; Sec./treas. Don Cheney, present. Patriotic Inst. Dennis Bunnell, present; Chaplain, Clark Seum, present; Regular members present...Edward Brown and Crittenden Bell.

Sec. Don Cheney reported on the absence of Sr. V. Com. Greely who has new working hours and cannot attend the Camp meetings. Camp Commander Dan Bunnell recommended Dennis Bunnell for Sr. V. Commander, who was nominated and elected.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

No old business.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Camp Commander reported on the activities of Chuck Davis (our Dept. Sec. treas), concerning the covering of G.A.R. graves by buildings, etc. Chuck learned from his senitor[sic] that county supervisors are responsible for Veteran's grave sites. Chuck has received copies of the laws concerning this, and he will be attending the Supervisors meetings to discuss the problems.

Several years ago, the statue of a Veteran Civil War soldier was broken by vandals as it stood on its pedistal[sic] in the Redwood City Cemetery. Cost to replace, \$23,000 dollars[sic] which was raised by the Daughters of the Confederacy!! They also restored the Cemetery; in fact are still working on it! Sometime around Thanksgiving, the statue will be dedicated.

Many of our members are not receiving copies of the Banner. Dan is going to find out "what-is-going-on."

Our next Dept. meeting will be held in Bakersfield and will be with the Daughters of Union Veterans....a joint Encampment, no less!

Our next Camp Meeting will be Spt.[sic] 27th.

Treasure's[sic] Report: \$1978.28

Don Cheney, Treasurer

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Respectfully,

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. Oct. 4, 1997

Camp called to order by Commander Dan Bunnell at 7:45 P.M. Opening Prayer by Chaplain Clark Seum Flag Salute (Pledge of Alligience[sic])
American Creed recited
Roll Call of Camp Officers all present but J.V.C. John Harms
Minutes of last meeting read and approved

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Our "Newly-found" Dept. Banner is now safe as Dept. Secretary-treasurer Chuck Davis purchased the Banner for our Dept. He will be re-embursed[sic] as money is colected[sic] from members. It was moved, seconded and so carried that our Camp donate \$100.00. Counting a \$50.00 donation from a Camp Member, total collected so far is \$150.00.

All across California on the Inernet[sic] is picking up names of prospective members for our Order. Already 30 names are listed. Commander Dan Bunnell would live[sic] to set up a "Home Page" on the Innernet[sic] so our Camp can build up our membership.

It was moved, seconded and so carried that our Camp join the Innernet[sic] using the computer of Dan Bunnell.

Brother Clark Seum suggested that a <u>monument</u> be erected at the sights[sic] where building, etc. have been erected over the graves of C.W. vets. Chuck Davis, who is our Grave Coordinator will be notified of this idea by brother Seum.

Treasurer's Report: Balance \$1869.39

There being no further business to come before the Camp, is[sic] was closed in due form.

Respectfully,

Donald Cheney, Camp Secretary

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# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, CA Jan. 24, 1998

Camp called to order by Commander Dan Bunnell at 7:35 P.M.

Opening prayer by Chaplain Clark Seum

Flag Salute followed by Pledge of Allegiance

American Creed recited bt[sic] all

Roll Call of Officers only officers present were: Dan Bunnell, Commander, Don Cheney, Sec/Treas. and Chaplain Clark Seum

President's Day, Feb. 13-15. In the So. San Francisco's Conference Center "Celebrate History" will be put on by Bob Bundy. He will head up a table for us and our display.

There being no further business Camp was closed in due form.

Respectfully,

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# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP #4 San Jose, Calif. March 14, 1998

Camp called to order by Commander Dan Bunnell at 7:45 P.M.

Opening prayer by Chaplain Clark Seum

Flag Salute followed by Pledge of Alligience[sic] followed by the American Creed.

Camp Officers Present: Dan Bunnell, Commander, Don Cheney, Sec., J.V.C. John Harms, Clark Seum, Chaplain.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Dan reported that our <u>real-SON</u> was now a member of out Camp (no dues). National will send him a special Certificate and badge.

Don Cheney would like someone else to take over Treas. And Secretary. After 55 years at the job he needs the rest. Son suggested Critten[sic] Bell...he'll contact him.

It was suggested that Sat. night is a poor night for a Camp Meeting. How about a Sat. morning breakfast and meeting was Dan's suggestion. All agreed, so Dan will make plans

Treasury Report: \$1773.15

There being no further business it was closed in due form.

Rrespectfully,[sic]

Das Cheney

# PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP No. 4 San Jose, Calif. August 29, 1998

Camp called to order by Camp Commander Dan Bunnell at 7:45 P.M. Opening Prayer by Don Cheney, acting Chaplain. Clark Seum was absent.

Flag Salute followed by Pledge of Alligiance[sic]

Camp Officers present: Commander Dan Bunnell, Sec./Treas. Don Cheney

Our Se.[sic] Vice Commander, Dennis Bunnell and Patriotic Inst. moved out of town; slso[sic] Jr. Vice transfered[sic] to another Camp. So we need replacement for these offices.

Other members present were Eugene Fortini and Jim Davis.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Plan to put a marker for the G.A.R. in St. James Park in the near future.

To those wishing to join S.V.R.: Dues are \$5.00 a year to be paid to department and all uniforms are paid for by the member joining.

Commander suggest[s] that we order 12 "Riturals[sic] and Ceremonials["] to have on hand for new members as well as any member who wishes one.

Our Commander wants to put on a full-scale Ritural[sic] as seen[sic] as we get more members.

Life Members has been discontinued though we keep the two we have.

There being to[sic] further to come before the Camp, it was closed in due form.

Respectfully,

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Don Cheney, Secretary

Treasur's[sic] Report as of October 16, 1998.... \$2039.56