



Phil Sheridan Camp #4

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

13 January 2001

11:00 Hrs

Coco's Restaurant, 370 Kiely Blvd., San José, California

MINUTES

Officers

Tad D. Campbell, Commander
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David C. Schleeter, Junior Vice-Commander
Daniel R. Earl, Secretary-Treasurer
Daniel M. Bunnell (PDC), Camp Council
Donald W. Pray, Camp Council
Daniel F. Renfroe, Camp Council

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Tad D. Campbell, *Sheridan's Dispatch* Editor, Historian & Signals Officer

Present:

Officers — Commander Campbell, Senior Vice-Commander Kadlec, Junior Vice-Commander Schleeter, Secretary-Treasurer Earl, Chaplain Seum, Council Members Bunnell, and Renfroe.

Brothers — None.

Visitors — James Hatch of San Jose and Gene Hetzer of Foster City.

Absent:

Officers — Council Member Pray (excused).

I. Opening Ceremonies/Call to Order — Cmdr. Campbell/Chaplain Seum

Following brunch, the meeting was called to order by Commander Campbell and opened with prayer by Chaplain Seum. Cmdr. Campbell then led the Camp in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Roll Call of Officers — Bro. Earl

The Roll of the Officers was called by Secretary-Treasurer Earl.

III. Reading and Approval of Minutes — Bro. Earl

The Minutes from 18 November 2001 were approved unanimously as read.

IV. Reading of Correspondence — Bro. Earl

There was no correspondence.

V. Officer Reports

A) Commander's Report — Bro. Campbell

- 1) Calendar: Tad distributed a calendar of meetings and other special events for the remainder of the year. All future meetings to be held on the second Saturday of odd numbered months.¹
- 2) Lincoln Day Dinner: The Gen. Alfred Pleasonton Camp 24 of Castro Valley is sponsoring a Lincoln Day Dinner on 10 February 2001 at Carrows Restaurant in Dublin, CA from 1930-2200 for all SUVCW members interested in attending. Tad announced that he and Dan Earl planned on being there, and encouraged others to if they can.
- 3) Joint Camp Activities: Tad reported that he is working with Pleasonton Camp 24 on special joint activities. Suggestions have included having a joint camp picnic in either the East Bay or at the San Francisco Presidio, as well as other ideas.
- 4) Visit by Department Commander: Assuming Dept. Commander Bob Lowe is re-elected at the Department Encampment in March, Tad is working on plans for him to attend and speak at one of our meetings.
- 5) Camp Orders: Cmdr. Campbell issued the following Camp Orders – C.O. #1, relative to elections, appointed officers, and camp headquarters; C.O. #2, relative to camp meeting place and time; and, C.O. #3, relative to a commendation for Bro. Kadlec.
- 6) Commendation for Bro. Robert J. Kadlec: Tad read aloud C.O. #3 and presented Bro. Kadlec with a Certificate of Commendation plaque.

B) Secretary-Treasurer's Report — Bro. Earl

- 1) Application for Membership of Francis George Appleton. Dan announced that he had received an application for membership for Francis George Appleton. He reported that he found it to be in order, along with receipt of appropriate fees, pointing out that he is the grandfather of Camp Commander Campbell (through whom Tad is a Civil War descendent) and sought unanimous consent that

¹ Following the meeting, SVC Kadlec booked the banquet room at Coco's Restaurant, 370 Kiely Blvd., San José, CA for camp meetings for the remainder of the year.

the members present be considered as the “investigation committee” for purposes of complying with the Camp Bylaws and National C&Rs, and that the Camp report out favorably to accept the applicant. There was no objection and Francis George Appleton was unanimously elected to membership in the Camp.

- 2) Quarterly Report of the Camp Council: Dan distributed copies of the Quarterly Report of the Camp Council Ending December 2000 to members.
- 3) Camp Quarterly Report: Dan distributed copies of the Camp Quarterly Report Ending 31 December 2000.
- 4) Bi-Monthly Financial Report: Dan distributed copies of the Bi-Month Financial Report for November-December 2000.
- 5) Dues/Budget: Dan reported that approximately 50% of the brothers in our Camp have renewed their membership. After 15 January 2001, the deadline for dues renewal, he will be able to prepare a more accurate budget.
- 6) Voucher Forms: National requires camps to have Voucher Forms to record expenses, Dan reported. He developed appropriate forms and distributed copies to those present, explaining their purpose.
- 7) Inventory Forms: Dan announced that with all the significant pieces of property (some very expensive) the Camp has accumulated recently there is a need to track who is in position of what property. Dan distributed a copy of an Inventory Form that will be sent out to members with the next newsletter. Bro. Kadlec inquired about property that Don Cheney’s widow might have that would belong to the Camp. Clark thought she had already disposed of it. Bro. Bunnell reported that the gun, and possibly other property she might have had was delivered to Dept. Secretary-Treasurer Chuck Davis.

C) Senior Vice-Commander’s Report — Bro. Kadlec
No report.

D) Junior Vice-Commander’s Report — Bro. Schleeter
No report.

VI. Committee Reports

A) Ad Hoc Committee on Bylaws — Bro. Dan Earl, Chairman

The Camp Bylaws, which were adopted at the camp meeting on 18 November 2000 have been officially approved by Department Commander Bob Lowe with his signature on 14 December 2000.

- B) Ad Hoc Comm. on Memorial Highway Legislation — Bro. Dan Earl,
Chairman
Dan has drafted a letter for the Camp Commander to send to State Senator Vasconcellos, who represents the legislative district that Highway 87 and Oak Hill Cemetery are in, seeking a meeting to discuss our proposed resolution honoring Gen. Phil Sheridan.
- C) Special Committee on the Oak Hill GAR Plot Conservation Program — Bro. Dan Bunnell, Chairman
Dan has not yet contacted LTC Ernie Glave; he will have a report before our next meeting. Clark will also contact Ernie and remind him we are working on the project.

VII. Unfinished Business

- A) Camp Commander and Past Camp Commander Badges — Cmdr. Campbell
Tad presented PCC Dan Bunnell with the PCC Badge and displayed to brothers the Camp Commander's badge.
- B) Ardenwood – Memorial Day Weekend — Cmdr. Campbell
Tad reminded brothers of the Ardenwood Historical Farm (in Fremont) Memorial Day Weekend program. Bro. Kermit Claytor (who is also a member of the NCWA) has offered us an opportunity to set up a recruitment/information table at this event. The Pleasonton Camp 24 has asked to participate with us and share the expenses. The SCV may also jointly participate with us.
Bob made the following suggestions: that we consider selling books as a fundraiser, that the South Bay Civil War Roundtable participate with us (Bro. Renfroe to follow up on this), and that we try to set up a three-sided tent for the display of Civil War memorabilia and recruiting material. Tad will follow up on the tent with Bro. Claytor.
Cmdr. Campbell then appointed the following members to the Memorial Day and Veteran's Day Ceremonies Committee: Dan Renfroe, chairman; Bob Kadlec and Dan Earl, members. The Committee was assigned the task of facilitating coordination of the Phil Sheridan Camp, the Pleasonton Camp, the National Civil War Association (represented by Bro. Kermit Claytor), and the South Bay Civil War Roundtable for participation in events at the Ardenwood Historical Farm, Fremont, CA on Memorial Day weekend, 2001.

VIII. New Business

- A) Petty Cash policy — Cmdr. Campbell
Tad described and distributed Camp Policy No. CP-2001-001, relative to the disbursement and use of petty cash, that he issued.

B) Commander Badges regulation — Cmdr. Campbell

Tad described and distributed Camp Regulation No. CR-2001-001, relative to the purchase and issuance of the camp commander and past camp commander badges. Brothers voted to adopt the regulation, unanimously.

C) Veterans Flag Lowering Ceremony — Cmdr. Campbell

Since the initial information came via email to officers, Tad announced to members that our Camp would be participating in a Veterans Flag Lowering Ceremony on Sunday afternoon, 21 January 2001, at 1500 at the Oak Hill Cemetery. We have also been tentatively scheduled to perform the ceremony on 25 November 2001.

D) Department Encampment 2001 — Cmdr. Campbell

The Department Encampment is on 31 March 2001 at the Elk's Lodge in San Luis Obispo, CA. Commander-in-Chief Krieser will be attending. There will be an informal gathering Friday night, also at the Elk's Lodge. Lunch will follow the program on Saturday, and a memorial service at the adjoining cemetery after lunch. Tad also announced that tickets are available for purchase for the Department fundraising drawing.

IX. Good and Welfare of Brothers

A) Josephine Pray — Cmdr. Campbell updated the Camp on the status of Bro. Don Pray's wife, Josephine. Her condition is significantly worse now, since last reported and she is currently in the hospital. She is considered terminal with seven to fourteen days to live. Tad read an email that Don asked be passed along at the meeting:

Josephine always enjoyed her activities with the camp and I am so happy that all of you were so hospitable to her and she sincerely enjoyed being at our activities. She loved all you guys.

Please pary for her at the meeting, she is another rapidly falling comrade. You all may not know it but she is a real combat veteran of World War II when she served as a civilian intelligence courier carrying documents and weapons through the Japanese lines and being a medical aid for a unit of the Philippine Army. A real but unrecognized veteran. She will soon be with God and our late and beloved son.

Tad will also post this on the Camp website. Bro. Schleeter suggested that flowers be sent to Josephine.²

² Following the meeting, Cmdr. Campbell and Secretary-Treasurer Earl ordered and had delivered a card and flowers to Josephine.

B) Kathy Campbell — The Commander also reported to the Camp that Kathy Campbell, wife of Bro. Don Campbell, daughter of newly elected Bro. George Appleton, aunt of Bro. Gray Appleton, and mother of Camp Commander Tad Campbell, has been diagnosed with lung cancer.

X. Good and Welfare of the Camp

No report.

XI. Good of the Order – Patriotic Instructor — Bro. Schleeter

Dave offered the idea that members make a list of Civil War books they own and are willing to make available for loan to other members from time to time between camp meetings. Bob suggested the possible need to develop a policy on a “Camp Lending Library.” Bob also presented to the Camp a two volume set of books: *Personal Memoirs of P. H. Sheridan* and *Personal Memoirs of P. H. Sheridan: General United States Army* which he has graciously donated to the camp library. Bro. Renfroe, who is also a member of the South Bay Civil War Roundtable, noted that the SBCWRT maintains no library, but that members bring books to the meeting to be raffled off as a fundraiser.

Brothers agreed to inventory their books and bring a list at our next meeting.

XII. Program of the Day

No Program.

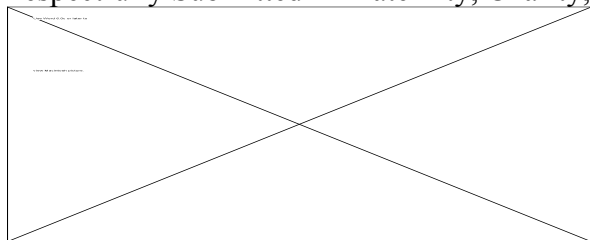
XIII. Announcements

No announcements.

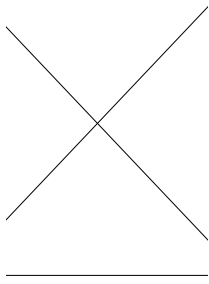
XIV. Closing Ceremonies/Adjournment

The meeting was closed with prayer led by the Chaplain Seum, at 12:55.

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,



Daniel R. Earl,
Camp Secretary-Treasurer
Camp Counselor
Phil Sheridan Camp #4
Department Counselor
Department of California and Pacific
SUVCW



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Brothers — None.

Absent:

Officers — Councilman Bunnell.

I. Opening Ceremonies/Call to Order — Cmdr. Campbell/Chaplain Seum

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II. Roll Call of Officers — Bro. Earl

The Roll of the Officers was called by Secretary-Treasurer Earl.

III. Reading and Approval of Minutes — Bro. Earl

The Minutes from 13 January 2001 were approved without objection.

IV. Reading of Correspondence — Bro. Earl

There was no correspondence.

V. Officer Reports

A) Commander's Report — Bro. Campbell

- 1) Appointments: Tad reported that Bro. Earl had been appointed by the Commander-in-Chief to the National Committee on Legislation and that he had been appointed to the National Committee on History.
- 2) Elections: Tad announced that he was seeking election to the Department Council and that Bro. Earl was seeking election as Department Secretary-Treasurer.
- 3) Department Encampment: a) Bro. Dave Schleeter and others will staff the registration desk; b) there are still raffle tickets available for sale for the Department fundraiser; c) Tad discussed the Annual Report to the Department (Bro. Kadlec suggested a brochure for our display table, which Bro. Earl volunteered to produce); d) Tad reminded Brothers who have not yet registered to do so as soon as possible
- 4) Camp Orders: Tad issued C.O. #4, relative to appointing Bro. Don Pray as a Delegate to the Department Encampment. He also issued S.C.O. #1, relative to the passing of Josephine Pray, wife of Bro. Don Pray.
- 5) Memorial Service for Josephine Pray: Tad thanked all who attend the memorial service in Cupertino and mentioned that Don was very appreciative and especially happy that Brothers attended in uniform.
- 6) Flag Lowering Ceremony at Oak Hill Cemetery: Tad thanked those who participated in the flag lowering ceremony at Oak Hill Cemetery.
- 7) Lincoln Day Dinner: Tad thanked those who attended the Lincoln Day Dinner in Dublin, sponsored by the Gen. Alfred Pleasonton Camp.

B) Secretary-Treasurer's Report — Bro. Earl

- 1) Membership Drop List: Dan presented a resolution, which was adopted unanimously, to drop the following Brothers for failure to renew their dues: Rodney Cavanaugh, Walter Dix, Daniel Kinsey, Homan Leech, Joseph McDonald, Jay Richardson, Clyde Smith.

2) Financial Report/Revenue and Expenditures Report: Dan distributed copies of the Camp's financial reports which were briefly discussed.

C) Senior Vice-Commander's Report — Bro. Kadlec
No report.

D) Junior Vice-Commander's Report — Bro. Schleeter
No report.

E) Camp Council — Bros. Bunnell (PDC), Pray, Renfroe.
No report.

VI. Committee Reports

A) Comm. on Memorial Day & Veterans' Day Ceremonies — Dan Renfroe,
Chairman

1) Ardenwood Memorial Day weekend event: There is a problem with the tent; surplus stores don't have the size we need; Bob reported from Kermit that the tent used be "period color." Tens are very expensive for the type we want. Bob has found a business we can get material from, but that would cost bout \$600, plus poles, etc. Kermit suggested he may have access to a "wall tent" but we don't know what the dimensions of that are. Items needed: A) min. 18' table; B) need to determine who is supplying the table/chairs (Dan will contact Ardenwood regarding this); C) are we going to have a Color Guard to march on Monday?

B) Special Committee on the Oak Hill GAR Plot Conservation Program — Bro. Dan Bunnell, Chairman

1) Dan was absent so no report from him. Bro. Kadlec attended the meetings that Dan missed with Ernie Glave at the National Guard Armory. The date for this event will be 9 September 2001. Ernie will contact the new management at Oak Hill and TV Channel 36. Ernie also wants members for a community interest program on television for a 20 minute spot. Bob prefers PSAs and can provide part of his video for the PSA.

2) Still need flyers.

3) Ernie will work on a camouflage covering and having water; will also work on perhaps having media on standby.

4) The Adjutant General wants to expand this event statewide – Bob provided him a list of other Camps.

5) At the Department Encampment Dan needs to report on what we plan on doing, and possibly introduce a resolution seeking similar action by other Camps

6) Ernie has contacted the "California Pioneers" who want to participate, as well as the SJFD Master Team.

- 7) Need to determine what NCWA participation is going to be: Kermit statement (purpose, goals, etc.) to take to his membership.
- 8) Dan may be able to get Chuck Davis' cannon for the event.
- 9) Dan is also working on getting a Brass Band to play for us.
- 10) Bob distributed a tentative map suggesting the layout for the ceremony.
- 11) Bob suggested any Spanish-American organization that desires participate in the event as well; he would also like to find some Confederate graves and make mention of them.
- 12) The next meeting at the National Guard Armory is 11 April 2001 at 19:30 Hrs.

C) Ad Hoc Committee on Highway Memorials — Bro. Dan Earl, Chairman
 Dan reported that we have yet to hear from Sen. Vasconcellos as to why he will not support our proposed legislation. The consensus of Brothers was to wait a bit longer for a response before seeking the assistance of another Legislator.

D) Committee on Legislation — Bro. Dan Earl, Chairman

Dan reported on the following Federal Legislation:

- 1) H.R. 62: A Bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to establish election day in Presidential election years as a legal public holiday by moving the legal public holiday known as Veterans Day to election day in such years, and for other purposes.” This Bill essentially eliminates Veterans Day during Presidential election years and *combines* it with Election Day.
- 2) H.R. 157: “A Bill to provide that December 7 each year shall be treated for all purposes related to Federal employment in the same manner as November 11.” This Bill creates additional recognition for veterans.
- 3) H.R. “A Bill proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing the Congress and the States to prohibit the act of desecration of the flag of the United States and to set criminal penalties for that act.”

VII. Unfinished Business

A) Civil War Books — Bro. Tad Campbell

- 1) Tad distributed a list of books that Brothers are willing to loan. Bro. Renfroe suggested that the list be put on-line (Tad concurred). Bro. Schleeter shared some of his Civil War books that he brought with him to the meeting.
- B) Bro. Kadlec will make a consolidated list of books, their availability, who owns them, etc. He suggested a loan agreement policy be drafted. Bro. Renfroe suggested a “loan fee” for borrowing books be donated to the Camp. Bro. Earl to draft a policy.

VIII. New Business

A) Northern California Regional Picnic — Bro. Tad Campbell

- 1) The tour of Ft. Point at the Presidio in San Francisco, to be followed by a picnic, is scheduled for Saturday, 28 January 2001.

IX. Good and Welfare of Brothers

A) Ann Schleeter — Bro. Schleeter

Dave reported that his wife had appendicitis, however is doing well now.

B) Kathy Campbell — Bro. Campbell

Tad reported that his mother is in the middle of her cancer treatment and is responding well.

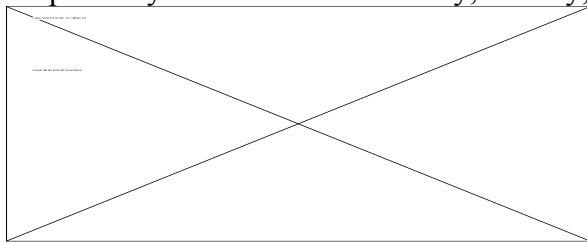
X. Program of the Day — Bro. Tad Campbell

- A) Cmdr. Campbell provided the meeting Program, reporting on events his ancestor was involved in – “Forbis and Ford: The Story of a Confederate POW Camp.” Bro. Renfroe will provide the next Camp Program.

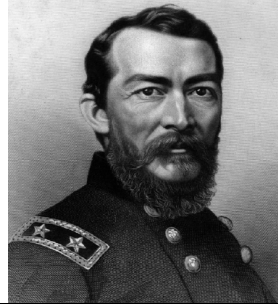
XI. Closing Ceremonies/Adjournment

The meeting was closed with prayer led by the Chaplain Seum, at 14:10 Hrs. The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, 12 May 2001.

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,



Daniel R. Earl,
Camp Secretary-Treasurer
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12 May 2001

10:25 Hrs

Coco's Restaurant, 370 Kiely Blvd., San José, California

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Brothers — Richard Mayer, Department P.I. Charles "Corky" Reed (of Pleasonton Camp 24), and Bruce Hevelin (Secretary of Pleasonton Camp 24).

Absent:

Officers — Councilman Bunnell.

At 10:25, during brunch, Brothers, in the Committee of the Whole Camp, met to discuss issues surrounding Ardenwood and Memorial Day. Brother Renfroe was able to get a "fly tent" at \$105. Other expenses shared between Brothers Renfroe and Kadlec included boards, sawhorses (for a table), and miscellaneous equipment needed to build a frame to hold the "fly tent." The costs of these expenses are as follows: "fly tent" – \$150, framework – \$151.25 plus tax.

For those attending the event at Ardenwood, and who are not in uniform, you must have your membership card or you will have to pay to enter the park. Those working at the booth should arrive by 10: 00 a.m.

Tad emphasized to everyone present that the Camp does not currently have the funds to purchase the material needed to assemble this booth, and that any reimbursement to Bob and Dan would be from donations until such funds became available.

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I. Opening Ceremonies/Call to Order — Cmdr. Campbell/Chaplain Seum

Following brunch (at 11:30 a.m.), the meeting was called to order by Commander Campbell and opened with prayer by Chaplain Seum. Cmdr. Campbell led the Camp in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the American's Creed.

II. Roll Call of Officers — Bro. Earl

The Roll of the Officers was called by Secretary-Treasurer Earl.

III. Reading and Approval of Minutes — Bro. Earl

The Minutes from 10 March were unanimously approved as read.

IV. Reading of Correspondence — Bro. Earl

There was no correspondence.

V. Officer Reports

A) Commander's Report — Bro. Campbell

- 1) *The Banner*: some members still haven't received their copy; Tad submitted an article, which has still not been printed.
- 2) Election Meeting: Our annual election meeting will likely be in November; Department Commander Bob Lowe will be attending as the installing officer; it has been suggested that the Bella Mia Restaurant in downtown San José (the old GAR Hall) be used for this election/installation meeting. Brothers Kadlec, Earl, and Campbell will investigate and report back at the next meeting.

B) Secretary-Treasurer's Report — Bro. Earl

- 1) Reinstatement: Dan moved (and it was seconded) to have Brother Jay Richardson reinstated as a member in good standing. This was agreed to unanimously.
- 2) Life Member Reimbursement: Dan informed the Camp that we would be receiving an unknown amount of reimbursement from National for our Life Member.
- 3) Financial Statements: Dan distributed copies of the Camps financial reports.

C) Senior Vice-Commander's Report — Bro. Kadlec

No Report

D) Junior Vice-Commander's Report — Bro. Schleeter
No Report

E) Camp Council's Report — Bros. Bunnell, Pray, and Renfroe
No Report

VI. Committee Reports

A) Ad Hoc Comm. on Highway Memorial Legislation — Daniel R. Earl,
Chairman

1) Dan reported that there had been no response from Senator Vasconcellos and that he would now attempt to contact Senator Bruce McPherson.

B) Legislation Committee — Daniel R. Earl, Chairman

1) Dan reported on several pieces of state and federal legislation, having a potential impact on members of the Order:

a) Calif. Senate Bill 480, relative to the California Military Museum;

b) H.R. 1021, that would require the Secretary of the Treasury to redesign Federal reserve notes of all denominations so as to incorporate the preamble to the Constitution of the United States, a list describing the Articles of the Constitution, and a list describing the Articles of Amendment, on the reverse side of such currency;

c) H.R. 1112, to make Federal law apply to antique firearms in the same way it applies to other firearms;

d) H.R. 1205, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Jacksonville, Florida, metropolitan area; and,

e) H.R. 1616, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the granting of U.S. citizenship, through the issuance of a certificate of citizenship, to any person who, after obtaining the status of an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence, completes 3 years of honorable service on active duty in the Armed Forces.

C) Special Committee on the Oak Hill GAR Plot Conservation Program — Dan Bunnell, Chairman

1) Bob Kadlec reported on the activities of this special committee:

a) Dan Bunnell submitted to the National Guard the following Camp contacts for SUVCW: Rosecrans, Pittinger, Pleasonton, and Ellsworth. These Camps will participate in this event on 9 September 2001.

b) Bob will handle the taping and interview details with KICU;

c) Ernie Glave has at least two generals lined up for keynote speaker;

- d) Still need to verify with NCWA what their participation will be (so far there has been no response from Bro. Kermit Claytor);
- e) Dan Bunnell has a Civil War era mortar that he will bring to Oak Hill; Bro. Chuck Davis may have a cannon;
- f) we may possible have DAR representatives;
- g) this year we want to recognize the Spanish-American War veterans in addition to Civil War;
- h) we also want to recognize Confederate Veterans (Corky suggested contacting Bro. Charles Christian for assistance with this);
- i) Ernie will have the “California Pioneers” there.

VII. Unfinished Business

- A) Property Inventory List — Bro. Dan Earl
 - 1) Dan discussed the need to complete the property inventory list so we can track Camp property
- B) Lending Library Policy — Bro. Dan Earl
 - 1) Dan introduced a “lending library policy” that had been previously requested by the Camp. With the change of “book” to “book and media,” Bro. Dave Schleeter moved (and it was seconded) to adopted this policy. It was agreed to unanimously.
- C) San Francisco Presidio Picnic and Fort Point Tour — Dept. P.I. Corky Reed
 - 1) Corky reported that brothers will begin to gather between 0900-1000 at the “El Polin Springs” area of the Presidio for the picnic.

VIII. New Business

No new business.

IX. Good of the Order – Patriotic Instructor — Bro. Schleeter

- A) Battle of Spotsylvania: Today is the anniversary of this battle. Dave gave a brief history of Grant’s involvement with this event.
- B) Corky read a poem, “The Blue and the Gray.”


X. Program of the Day — Dan Renfroe

- A) Dan reported on his grandfather, John Nelson Hubbard (private in Co. H, 7th Indiana) and his involvement in the war.

XI. Closing Ceremonies/Adjournment

The meeting was closed with prayer led by the Chaplain Seum, at 13:00.

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel R. Earl". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "D".

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- 1) Ardenwood – Tad thanked everyone who helped with this Memorial Day event, especially Dan Renfroe and Bob Kadlec. It was nice that our organization was recognized at the official memorial service held at the park, also. We have plans to participate in this event next year also.
- 2) The *Banner* – the *Banner* is now online.

B) Secretary-Treasurer's Report — Bro. Earl

- 1) Second Quarter Report distributed: we have 43 Brothers, paid National PCD of \$126 and Department PCD of \$31.50.

VI. Committee Reports

A) Ad Hoc Committee on Highway Memorial Legislation — Bro. Earl, Chairman

- 1) Since there has been no response from Sen. Vasconcellos why he would not support our proposal, Bro. Earl will send a letter to Sen. Bruce McPherson and is currently waiting to hear back from his district office in Salinas.

B) Committee on Legislation — Bro. Earl, Chairman

- 1) Bro. Earl made the following report on Federal legislation:
 - a) H.R. 1112: Would make federal law apply to antique firearms in the same way it applies to other firearms. Remains in the Crime Subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee; 28 sponsors the Bill (two more since our last meeting).
 - b) H.R. 1673: Veterans Medical Research Assistance Voluntary Option Act - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to permit a taxpayer to designate that all or part of an income tax overpayment shall be used for Department of Veterans Affairs medical research. States that any such amount shall be treated as: (1) a refund to the taxpayer; and (2) a contribution to the United States.
Amends Federal law to establish in the Treasury the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Prosthetic Research Gift Fund. [Referred to House Ways and Means Comm. and the House Veterans' Affairs Comm. on 5/2/2001.]
- 3) H.R. 1705: To amend title 32, United States Code, to authorize members and units of the National Guard to conduct and participate in athletic competitions and small arms

competitions in conjunction with required training, and for other purposes. [Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel on 6/6/2001.]

- 4) H.R. 1717: To require Department of Veterans Affairs pharmacies to dispense medications to veterans for prescriptions written by private practitioners. [Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on 6/5/2001.]
- 5) H.R. 1935: To provide for a Korea Defense Service Medal to be issued to members of the Armed Forces who participated in operations in Korea after the end of the Korean War.[Referred to the House Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Personnel on 6/5/2001.]
- 6) H.R. 2024: To prohibit desecration of Veterans' memorials. [Referred to House Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime on 6/18/2001.]
- 7) H.R. 2092: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Albuquerque, NM, metropolitan area. [Referred to House Committee Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Benefits on 6/29/2001.]
- 8) H.R. 2312: To provide for protection of the flag of the United States. [Referred to House Committee on Judiciary on 6/26/2001.]
- 9) S. 996: To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Colorado Springs, Colorado, metropolitan area. [Referred to Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs on 6/7/2001.]

C) Special Committee on the Oak Hill GAR Plot Conservation Program — Bro. Bunnell, Chairman

- 1) Bro. Bunnell recently met with Ernie. He reported that Bob called Ernie last night for an update on points of contact for our camps, but that there is still no response from Ernie.
- 2) The next meeting with the National Guard is this coming Wednesday so we should know more after that.
- 3) Bro. Bunnell reported that Oak Hill is extremely cooperative and will provide tables, chairs, porta-potties, etc. as needed.
- 4) There was discussion of the need to locate all of the Civil War veterans at Oak Hill, not just those buried in the GAR plot, and record their stones and any need for repair of those stones.
- 5) There were forty-nine invitation letters sent to dignitaries for Oak Hill.
- 6) Bob Nelson, Camp Commander of the Lincoln Camp in Santa Cruz has a new member who is a professional

videographer; we need to verify that Bob and his Camp will participate. Bro. Earl will handle this.

- 7) Bob Kadlec suggested, and Tad agreed, that we ought to send information we have prepared (including copies of our invitation letters and like material) to the other camps in the Department who are desiring to participate in this event, since the National Guard has not provided us with any points of contact.

VII. Unfinished Business

- A) Inventory List — Bro. Earl
 - 1) Dan discussed the Inventory List for tracking Camp property.
- B) Library Lending Policy/Cards — Bro. Earl
 - 1) Dan distributed and explained the library lending agreement cards.
- B) Presidio Picnic — Bro. Campbell
 - 1) Tad shared some of the details of the regional picnic, scheduled for 28 July 2001 at 10:30 in San Francisco.
- A) Upcoming National Encampment — Bro. Campbell
 - 1) Tad will check with Bob Lowe regarding the skit and gift for the CinC.
 - 2) Bob Kadlec suggested in addition to a gift, we give the CinC one of our Encampment Delegate Pins

VIII. New Business

- A) September Meeting — Bro. Bunnell
 - 1) Dan moved, and it was seconded, that the regular meeting for September 2001 be postponed to 13 October 2001. This was agreed to unanimously.
- B) Elections and Installation — Bro. Earl
 - 1) Dan moved, and it was seconded, to hold the Camp elections at the regular meeting on 13 October 2001 and the Installation of officers at the November 2001 meeting. This was agreed to unanimously.
- C) November Meeting —
 - 1) The November meeting will be held on Saturday, 10 November 2001.
- D) Review of Bella Mia Restaurant — Bro. Kadlec
 - 1) Bob reviewed with Brothers the options available for using Bella Mia (the old GAR Hall) as a banquet facility for our installation meeting. We determined that, due the high cost, other facilities need to be investigated for comparison (Tad will consult with Brad on this also).
- E) SVR — Bro. Campbell
 - 1) Tad discussed the formation of our own Company. The advantages to this is that we would could be more responsive to our own needs and would could possibly get the 6th Military District reactivated.
 - 2) Dave moved, and it was seconded, that the Phil Sheridan Camp take the necessary action to form its own SVR Company, to be known as: Co. C, 8th California Infantry. The motion was agreed to

unanimously. Tad will check with Cork for input on the procedures to accomplish this.

- 3) Tad moved, and it was seconded, that Bro. Dave Schleeter be the commander of our proposed Company, upon its approval as such in the SVR. This was agreed to unanimously.
- 4) Bob suggested that if Military District 6 is reactivated, then we will have to have names prepared to submit as those interested in being appointed to District level officer positions.
- 5) Dan Bunnell suggested it would be good to notify Bro. Chuck Davis of our plans and that we need a third company to reactivate the 6th Military District. Dave will handle this notification.
- 6) Brothers can discuss District officer positions, etc. with Bob Lowe at the Presidio picnic.

IX. Good and Welfare of Brothers

- A) Ed Berger, Commander of Pittinger Camp — Bro. Campbell
Ed has temporarily relinquished command of his Camp to SVC Jerry Sayre due to the need to care for his ill wife.
- B) Don Mosier, Pleasonton Camp — Bro. Campbell
Don suffered a mild stroke recently.
- C) Kathy Campbell — Bro. Campbell
Wife of Bro. Don Campbell and mother of Camp Commander Tad Campbell is finished with all of her chemo and radiation treatments.

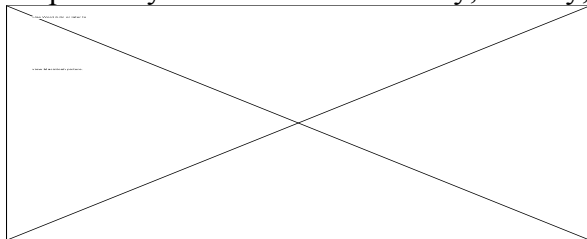
X. Good of the Order – Patriotic Instructor — Bro. Schleeter

- A) No Report.

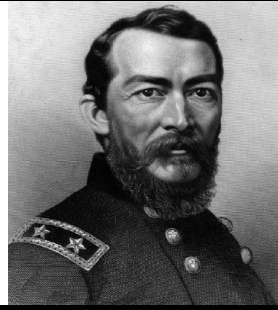
XI. Closing Ceremonies/Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 13:07.

Respectfully Submitted in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,



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MINUTES

Officers

Tad D. Campbell, Commander
Robert J. Kadlec, Senior Vice-Commander
David C. Schleeter, Junior Vice-Commander
Daniel R. Earl, Secretary-Treasurer
Daniel M. Bunnell (PDC), Camp Council

Appointed Officers

Rev. Clark Seum, Chaplain
David C. Schleeter, Patriotic Instructor & Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator
Daniel R. Earl, Counselor
Daniel M. Bunnell (PDC), Guard & Historian
Tad D. Campbell, *Sheridan's Dispatch* Editor & Signals Officer

Present:

Officers — Commander Campbell, Senior Vice-Commander Kadlec, Junior Vice-Commander Schleeter, Secretary-Treasurer Earl, Chaplain Seum, Council Members Bunnell, Pray.

Brothers — Steve Pelikan.

Absent: Officers — None.

I. Call to Order — Cmdr. Campbell

The meeting was called to order by Commander Campbell who led the Camp in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the American's Creed.

II. New Business

A) Installation of Officers — Department Commander Bob Lowe

1) The Camp unanimously voted to forgo regular business and proceed directly to the installation of officers as indicated above.

XIV. Closing Ceremonies/Adjournment

The meeting was closed with prayer at 19:30. The meeting was followed by dinner at the Bold Knight Restaurant at Monterey Hwy and Bellevue.

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