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## THE NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at 1 pm December 7, at the VFW Post 9211 Hall at 255 Veterans Historic Drive near its intersection with Baker Lane next to Moana Park.

## *ELECTION OF OFFICERS*

**ALL BROTHERS ARE REQUESTED TO BE THERE**

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**Congratulations to Camp 25 Chaplain/Batt. A, 3rd US Artillery, SVR**

**Commander Wayne Eder and his wife Suzette**

**on the birth of their son.**

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## THE PASSING OF ROGER S. BROTHERTON

October 15, 2014

General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25 brother Roger Stuart Brotherton passed away in Las Vegas on Wednesday, October 15, 2014. Brother Roger was born October 23, 1941, in Boise, Idaho. He was a Navy veteran (1961-1962) and served on the USS *Shields* (DD-596). He achieved the rate and rank of SOG3 60. About ten years ago, he founded the ship's association and was serving as treasurer when he passed away. He joined Carlin Camp 25 on August 25, 2013, and served as a Council Member (2013-2014). His Great Grandfather was Union Bugler Francis M. Agnew, who served in Co. M, 5th Kansas Cavalry in 1863. He was interred with full military honors at the Veterans Cemetery, Fernley, Nevada, at 11 am, Wednesday, November 12. Our condolences go out to his wife Doris and other members of his family. Please see Camp Order No. 8 and Department Special Order No. 5 at the end of this newsletter.



Roger (right) receiving a Camp award from Commander John Riggs on June 22, 2014

## NEVADA DAY - VIRGINIA CITY AND CARSON CITY

October 31 and November 1, 2014

At 4:30 pm, October 31st (the REAL Nevada Day and the State of Nevada's REAL 150th birthday), Virginia City hosted a Nevada Statehood parade down C Street. The Carlin Camp 25 entry (No. 37) consisted of Senior Vice Commander David A. Davis' Blazer with the camp signs and flags. The entry was manned by Commander John Riggs and SVC Davis, PCC. For once, most of the entries were in order, and the highlight was Commander Riggs and SCV Davis personally receiving candy from Lacy J. Dalton.

The Nevada Day Parade in Carson City was held on November 1st. The Carlin Camp 25 and Battery A, 3rd US Artillery Sons of Veterans Reserve entry (Division 7, Entry No. 131) consisted of the Dodge pick-up truck of Captain Wayne Eder, Captain-Battery Commander, Battery A, 3rd US Artillery SVR, 6th Military District. The pickup had Captain Eder's Civil War howitzer secured in the bed and contained the camp signs and flags. Commander John Riggs and Secretary-Treasurer Brian Worcester rode in the cab with Captain Eder. Senior Vice Commander/Historian David A. Davis, PCC, and Byron Johnson rode in the back with the cannon.

## VETERANS DAY - RENO

November 11, 2014

Carlin Camp 25 participated in the Reno Veterans Day Parade on November 11th. Council Member No. 2, Edward G. Carson, Colonel, U.S. Army Retired, was on the parade committee, and through his efforts, Commander John Riggs was made Grand Marshall. Also through his efforts, the Grand Marshall and ROTC cadets were followed by the entries of Carlin Camp 25 and Battery A, Sons of Veterans Reserve combined with the Northern Nevada Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution and their sponsored Fifes and Drums of Nevada, the ladies of the Battle Borne and Sagebrush Chapters of the Daughters of the Revolution, and the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War Johana Shine Tent 96. The parade started after a wreath was dropped from the Virginia Street bridge into the Truckee River and Camp Bugler, Ray Ahrenholz, played Taps. Commander Riggs road in the 1912 Nash Rambler from the Automobile Museum used by Kate Winslett in the movie Titanic. The Camp 25/Battery A entry consisted of the Dodge pick-up truck of Captain Wayne Eder with Captain Eder's Civil War howitzer secured in the bed.



Carlin Camp 25 Commander John Riggs, Reno Veterans Day Parade Grand Marshall.



Battery A, 3rd US Artillery, SVR Commander Wayne Eder and Byron Johnson.

## STATESMEN OF THE LOST CAUSE

By David A. Davis

Whether one believes the South was fighting to preserve its slave based economic system or for states' rights, most people seem to believe the Confederacy was this huge monolith with almost everyone on the same page in the fight. This was far from the case, and one should read the 1939 book, Statesmen of the Lost Cause, Jefferson Davis and His Cabinet, by Burton J. Hendrick. Jefferson Davis and members of his cabinet were in disagreement amongst themselves, and many of the state governors acted at cross purposes with the Richmond government. Georgia even considered seceding from the Confederacy. The background information was enlightening and covered the increasing desertion rates; currency inflation; what happened with Mason and Slidell after the Trent affair; the at times comical relations with England, France, and Mexico; the failed diplomatic mission to the Vatican (Pope Pius IX asked if Jefferson Davis was Catholic); mishandling of cotton exports; fierce resistance to the draft (they shot conscription agents in some places); strong pro-Union sentiments in western Virginia and North Carolina, eastern Tennessee, and northern Georgia and Alabama; the near and more.

The book also has a rather amusing anecdote, which if true, might partly explain the underlying cause of the animosity Jefferson Davis had for General Joseph Johnston. Johnston was probably as able a general as Robert E. Lee, but Davis interfered with his military plans and side lined him at times. Johnston and Davis were at West Point at the same time. The cadets frequented Benny's Tavern. The two men fell for the tavern keeper's daughter and got into a fist fight. Davis escaped being expelled because of his otherwise good record. Legend says Johnston won the fight. Internet postings suggest the story might or might not be true, but it is true that Jefferson Davis did not like Joseph Johnston.

## 2014 ANNUAL DAYTON CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

December 7, 2014

Between 5 and 7 pm, December 7, the town of Dayton will hold its third annual Small Town Christmas and the town park, which will include a Christmas tree lighting. Carlin Camp 25 has been invited to participate.

## 2015 DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENT

March 6-8, 2015

The 129th Department Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 104th Department Encampment of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, will be held on March 6-8, 2015, at the Hilton at Hawthorn Suites by Wyndham, at 321 Bercut Drive in Sacramento, California. For registration and other information as it becomes available, please go to <http://www.suvpac.org/encampment.html>.

## **2015 LINCOLN TOMB CEREMONY**

**April 11, 2015**

The 59th Annual Lincoln Tomb Ceremony, sponsored by the SUVCW and MOLLUS, commemorating the 150th Anniversary of President Abraham Lincoln's death will be held at the Lincoln Tomb in Oak Ridge Cemetery in Springfield, Illinois at 10 AM on Saturday, April 11, 2015. The event headquarters will be the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel, 701 E. Adams St., Springfield, IL 62701. A luncheon (\$29 per person ) will be held at the President Abraham Lincoln Hotel at 12:30 PM. The luncheon program will feature a talk by Gen. Ulysses S. Grant on Spring 1865: A New Birth of Freedom. For event information, please go to the <http://www.suvcw.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Lincoln-Tomb-Ceremony-Form-2015.pdf> or contact Robert Petrovic at: [rpetro7776@aol.com](mailto:rpetro7776@aol.com) or 636-274-4567.

## **2015 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT**

**August 19-23, 2015**

The 134th National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 129th National Encampment of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and the 128th National Encampment of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held on August 19-23, 2015, at the Omni Richmond Hotel in Richmond, Virginia. For registration and other information as it becomes available, please go to the National website <http://www.suvcw.org>.

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**AUGUST 10, 2014**

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Department of California and the Pacific, General William Passmore Carlin, Camp-25. Camp mailing address: 5200 Cedarwood Dr. Reno, NV. 89511-9025. This is an abridged version of the minutes, and a full version complete with pictures and write-ups following through on announced event participation by Council Member No. 2, Edward G. Carson are posted under Meeting Minutes on the Camp website at <http://www.suvcw.org/camp25/minutes.html>.

- 1). Call to Order and Opening Prayer by Camp Commander John Riggs.
- 2). All Brothers and guests in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America led by Councilman Edward Carson.
- 3). Opening Prayer was given by Councilman Edward Carson.
- 4). Roll Call: John Riggs, David Davis, Tyrone Davis, Frank Wood, Edward Carson, Don Huffman, and Brian Worcester.
- 5). Guests to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) were Logan Hulse, and Mrs. Jennie Davis.
- 6). Minutes of previous Camp Meeting were approved.
- 7). Commander's Report: Commander John reported on the following topics:
  - A). Commander Riggs addressed his visits made to: Gettysburg Museum, Lone Mountain, Dayton, and Gold Hill Hotel.
  - B). Commander Riggs reported that Carlin Camp 25 will participate in the Nevada Day Parade in Carson City on November 1st. Captain Wayne Eder, Captain-Battery Commander, Battery A, 3rd US Artillery SVR, 6th Military District, will drive his Dodge Pickup Truck in the Nevada Day Parade securing the Civil War Howitzer to the bed of his truck. Commander John Riggs will accompany Captain Eder in his truck.
  - C). Commander Riggs reported that Carlin Camp 25 will participate in the Reno Veterans Day Parade on November 17th. Camp 25 and their brothers from the Sons of Veterans Reserve led by Brother Wayne Eder and Ken Auld, along with the Sons of the American Revolution Northern Nevada Chapter and their sponsored Fifes & Drums of Nevada coupled by the ladies of the DAR Battle Borne and Sagebrush Chapters and the DUVCW Tent 96, Johana Shine Chapter all participated in a combined effort. Our Commander Riggs was the Grand Marshall.
- 8). Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Brother Brian stated our U.S. Bank Balance as of October 12th was \$604.24.

9). Sr. Vice Commanders Report: Brother David Davis was not able to provide his History and Memorials Report due to the death of his father and his absence from the area. Our condolences were provided to Brother Davis.

10). GRO report was made by Brother Don Huffman.

11). Jr. Vice Commander's Report: Brother Frank Wood reported that he would work the availability for the next meeting on December 7th.

12). Brother Tyrone Winthrop Davis, Eagle Scout, provided the Patriotic Instructor Report as stated below.

13). Captain Wayne Eder, was absent for this meeting. We all stated our congratulations to Brother Wayne on becoming a proud father of a baby boy.

14). New Business:

A). There is a proposal under further review to examine combining the SAR's Washington Birthday with the SUVCW's Lincoln Birthday into one event.

B). Officers will be elected and installed during the December 7th meeting. All members are strongly encouraged to attend the last meeting of 2014.

C). A motion by Secretary-Treasurer Brian Worcester was made to decouple the Secretary and Treasurer duties into two separate offices. The motion was carried.

D). Commander Riggs made a motion for Camp 25 to support the Dayton Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in Dayton on December 7th. Further information was published subsequent to the meeting.

E). Camp 25 Name Badges have been provided to most of the members who have attended the meetings. New ones can be ordered through Commander Riggs in the future at a price of \$20.00 per individual. All members are encouraged to obtain Camp 25 Name Badges.

15). Old Business:

A). Again, it was noted that Camp 25's Website includes a schedule of events (including directions and maps) officers' comments, newsletter, and related updates, which is part of the Department of California & Pacific and the SUVCW National website. In addition, please be advised that we also have a Facebook Camp 25 page with numerous pictures and commentary.

B). Application for Certificate of Appreciation for Patriotic Service will be further reviewed by the Hawthorne Army Depot in the future pending a trip by Commander Riggs and Brother Carson to Hawthorne Army Depot in the future.

C). Command Riggs and Brother Carson discussed that they will follow up with Kat Miller, Nevada Director of the State of Nevada Department of Veterans Services (NDVS) in the future regarding: the state to place a plaque at Fernley Veterans Cemetery for Medal of Honor recipient Private James C. Reid AKA Reed; the burial of the remains of an unknown soldier in the GAR cemetery at Reno. Kat Miller did take these action items, and advised us that they can be worked in the future.

D). Congressional honors have been provided to Camp 25 in recognition of their achievement of being selected for the SUVCW Abraham Lincoln Award (Best Camp in the USA).

16). Brother Roger Stewart Brotherton passed away. Our prayers go to Brother Brotherton and family. Commander Riggs issued the command to publish Camp Order No. 8 set forth below.

17). Adjournment: At 1500 Hours with a closing Prayer offered by Councilman Edward Carson. The next Camp Meeting was scheduled for December 7th at the VFW, Post 9211. Please take the necessary action to submit your next year membership dues during the December 2014 through January 2015 time period to Brian Worcester. Your support is very much appreciated regarding this matter. Membership cards will be issued accordingly.

Council Member No. 2, Edward G. Carson, Colonel, U.S. Army Retired 6 7 8

### **History of Nevada Day**

Compiled and modified from the references noted below by

Tyrone W. Davis, Carlin Camp 25 Patriotic Instructor

In 1859 Nevada was an area that was not well known among settlers. Following Henry Comstock's discovery of gold in 1859, with his Comstock Lode producing over a billion dollars from silver and gold

mining, settlers flocked to Nevada. Within two years it became a territory. Nevada then became a state on October 31, 1864.

The first mention of a grand celebration of Nevada's admission was in a journalist's diary in 1873. After that the Pioneer society held a banquet on October 31, 1889. The state of Nevada officially recognized its birthday when Governor Roswell Colcord signed a bill in 1891 making October 31 a judicial holiday when no court business would be transacted on that day. In 1933 the state legislature passed a bill to designate October 31 as Nevada Day, a discretionary state holiday.

In 1948 October 31 fell on a Sunday for the first time since the Nevada Day parade was held (in 1938) so the day was held on the following Monday instead. The law on this holiday was amended in the following year so if October 31 fell on a Sunday then Nevada Day state holiday was held on the following Monday. In 1971, the law governing holidays was amended to designate Friday as the state holiday when October 31 falls on a Saturday.

On November 3, 1998, Nevada voters advised the 1999 legislature that they wanted to celebrate Nevada Day on the last Friday of October beginning in 2000. The legislature eventually complied. Since then, Nevada Day has been celebrated on the last Friday of October. Nevada Day is October 31 but is to be observed on the last Friday in October.



Early Nevada State flag.



First Nevada Day event (Admission day).

Reference:

Time and Date, <http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/nevada-day>

## RECENT CAMP ORDERS

One Department Order and one Special Orders were issued since September. For a complete list, see the Camp website: <http://www.suvpac.org/camp25/rules/orders14.html>

### CAMP ORDER NO. 6

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#### SESQUICENTENNIAL OF THE STATEHOOD OF NEVADA

By the authority vested in me as Commander of General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, Department of California and Pacific, by the Camp Bylaws, the Department Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: It should be remembered and honored that on October 31, 1864, Nevada became the 36th state to enter the Union, and this year marks the 150th anniversary of that event. One of the State's nicknames is "The Battle Born State" because of its entry during the great War of the Rebellion, a.k.a the Civil War. Nevada became a territory on March 2, 1861, and starting in April 1863, under the designation First Nevada Volunteers, provided six companies of cavalry and three of infantry to help man camps forts (including Churchill and Ruby, in Nevada; Independence in California; Douglas in Utah; and Bridger in Wyoming), round up criminals and Copperheads, protect to road communication systems, and fight marauding Indians (particularly the northern Piutes). Silver and gold from the State's booming mineral industry helped back the value of the currency, and the State's three electoral votes helped with Mr. Lincoln's re-election in 1864. In January, 1865, Nevada's first congressman, Henry G. Worthington, was one of the

barely two-thirds majority in the House of Representatives to vote for the passage of the 13th amendment, which abolished slavery.

The foregoing Camp Order is proclaimed this 18th day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen, in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada by John A. Riggs, Camp Commander of General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(CAMP SEAL)

By Order of: /s/ John A. Riggs, Camp Commander, Gen. William Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25

ATTEST: By: /s/ Brian I. Worcester, PCC, Camp Secretary

### **CAMP ORDER NO. 7**

**Series 2014**

#### **VETERANS DAY 2014**

By the authority vested in me as Commander of General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, Department of California and Pacific, by the Camp Bylaws, the Department Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: Veterans Day, November 11, 2014: All Camp members shall demonstrate Honor and Respect for all Veterans that dedicated themselves to the preservation of principles set forth by the United States of America on Veterans Day by flying the Flag of the United States of America and taking a few moments to pray for the Veterans that sacrificed their lives and their loved ones who grieve that loss. It should also be noted that while this sacred day was formerly known as Armistice Day marking the end of World War I, it was changed to Veterans Day 60 years ago on June 1, 1954, to be inclusive of the World War II and Korean War veterans (a dwindling number of old Spanish-American War and a couple of Civil War veterans were also still around).

The foregoing Camp Order is proclaimed this 18th day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen, in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada by John A. Riggs, Camp Commander of General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(CAMP SEAL)

By Order of: /s/ John A. Riggs, Camp Commander, Gen. William Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25

ATTEST: By: /s/ Brian I. Worcester, PCC, Camp Secretary

### **CAMP ORDER NO. 8**

**Series 2014**

#### **PASSING OF BROTHER ROGER S. BROTHERTON**

By the authority vested in me as Commander of General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, Department of California and Pacific, by the Camp Bylaws, the Department Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: It is my sad duty to report the passing of Brother Roger S. Brotherton in Las Vegas on Wednesday, October 15, 2014. Brother Roger was born October 23, 1941, in Boise, Idaho. He was a Navy veteran (1961-1962) and served on the USS *Shields* (DD-596). He achieved the rate and rank of SOG3 60. About ten years ago, he founded the ship's association and was serving as treasurer when he passed away.

Section 2: He joined Carlin Camp 25 on August 25, 2013, and served as a Council Member (2013-2014). His Great Grandfather was Union Bugler Francis M. Agnew, who served in Co. M, 5th Kansas Cavalry in 1863.

Section 3: Interment will be held at the Veterans Cemetery at 11 am, on Wednesday, November 12. All Camp members available at such time are requested to attend.

Section 4: Our condolences go out to his wife Doris and other members of his family.

Section 5: All Camp Brothers are respectfully directed to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badges for a period of thirty (30) days from the date of this Order.

The foregoing Camp Order is proclaimed this 3rd day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen, in the City of Reno, County of Washoe, State of Nevada by John A. Riggs, Camp Commander of General William Passmore Carlin Camp 25, the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

(CAMP SEAL)

By Order of: /s/ John A. Riggs, Camp Commander, Gen. William Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25

ATTEST: By: /s/ Brian I. Worcester, PCC, Camp Secretary

## **RECENT DEPARTMENT ORDERS**

One Department Order and one Special Orders were issued since September. For a complete list, see the Department website: <http://www.suvpac.org/rules/ordersindex.html>.

### **DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 8**

#### **SERIES 2014-2015**

#### **Southern California Multi-Camp Installation of Officers**

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, by the Department Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: A multi-Camp Installation of Officers Ceremony will take place on Saturday, January 17, 2015 at noon at Bob Hope Patriotic Hall, 1816 S. Figueroa Street in Los Angeles, California. Los Angeles, California. The date, time and place was determined after coordination with Brother Nicholas D. Smith, Commander of Gen. W. S. Rosecrans Camp No. 2, and Brother Rudy E. Velasco III, PCC, Secretary-Treasurer of Gen. George Stoneman Jr. Camp No. 18.

Section 2: Department Commander Timothy P. Reese, PDC has committed to his attendance at the event and will be present to install officers of any Camp within the Department needing to be sworn into office.

Section 3: All Camps within the Department remain free to hold their own independent Camp Installations, provided an Installing Officer duly appointed by the Department Commander conducts the ceremony.

Section 4: Camp Secretaries are reminded to bring completed Form 22s (Certification of Election and Installation of Camp Officers) for the Installing Officer's signature.

Section 5: The Department Commander's Headquarters during the multi-Camp Installation on January 17, 2015 will be the Tradewinds Airport Hotel, 4210 W. Century Blvd., Inglewood, California.

The foregoing Department Order is proclaimed this 7th of November in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-ninth, in the City of Salinas, County of Monterey, State of California by Timothy Paul Reese, Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: /s/ Timothy P. Reese, PDC, Department Commander, Department of California and Pacific

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

### **DEPARTMENT SPECIAL ORDER NO. 5**

#### **SERIES 2014-2015**

#### **Passing of Brother Roger Brotherton**

By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, by the Department Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: It is my sad duty to report the passing of Brother Roger Stuart Brotherton on October 15, 2014, just eight days short of his 73rd birthday. Brother Roger joined the Gen. William Passmore Carlin



Camp No. 25 in 2013. He was a veteran of the US Navy and served aboard the USS *Shields* (DD596). His eligibility to membership was through his great-grandfather Francis Agnew, a Bugler in Company M of the 5th Kansas Calvary.

Section 2: His remains will be interred at the Veterans Cemetery in Fernley, Nevada on November 12, 2015 at 11:00 am. Members of the Department are encouraged to attend.

Section 3: The Department and all Camp Charters are to be draped in black for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 4: All Department Brothers are respectfully directed to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge (pursuant to C&R, Article III, Sec. 9) for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 5: The Department of California and Pacific extends its sincere condolences to Brother Roger's widow Doris, his family and friends.

The foregoing Department Order is proclaimed this 4th of November in the year of our Lord two thousand fourteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-ninth, in the City of Salinas, County of Monterey, State of California by Timothy Paul Reese, Commander of the Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: /s/ Timothy P. Reese, PDC, Department Commander, Department of California and Pacific

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

## **RECENT GENERAL ORDERS**

Nine new General Orders (G.O. Nos. 5 through 13) were issued since September and are summarized as follows. G.O. No. 5 is the suspension of Colonel Edward D. Baker Camp No. 6 of Oregon and the Departments of Iowa and Kentucky for failing to submit the proper paperwork in a timely manner. The suspensions were later lifted for Baker Camp No. 6 (G.O. No. 8), the Department of Kentucky (G.O. No. 12), and the Department of Iowa (G.O. No. 13). G.O. No. 6 is about proposed efforts by the Department of Illinois to "improve and beautify" the final resting place of Dr. Benjamin F. Stephenson (Stephenson Memorial Plaza) in the Rose Hill Cemetery, Petersburg, Illinois. G.O. No. 7 announces the appointments to the National Government Headstone Application Committee. G.O. No. 9 is the inclusion of the Territory of American Samoa, the Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Baker Island, Howland Island, Jarvis Island, Johnston Atoll, Kingman Reef, Midway Islands, Palmyra Atoll, and Wake Island into the Department of California and Pacific. G.O. No. 10 is the inclusion of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, Navassa Island, Serranilla Bank, Bajo Nuevo Bank, and the United States Naval Station at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, into the Department of Florida. G.O. No. 11 commemorates Veterans Day. For a complete list of General Orders back to 1994, please see the National website: [http://www.sucvw.org/?page\\_id=513](http://www.sucvw.org/?page_id=513).