



# National Headquarters Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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## AN ORGANIZATION THAT REMEMBERS ITS PAST WILL HAVE CONCERN FOR ITS FUTURE

At our 91st National Encampment held at the Hotel Savery, Des Moines, Iowa in August, you bestowed upon me the honor of serving as your National President. Being cognizant of the responsibility and trust this office carries, I have promised to fulfill my duties to the best of my ability. Headquarters has been established at the above address and all communications pertaining to our Order should be directed there.

I am truly grateful to P.N.P. Anne O. Clayton and members from the New Jersey Department for a most impressive Installation.

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Also, will you please contact me if a Past National President or a National Officer becomes ill or passes away so I can give the matter prompt attention.

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RESOLUTIONS

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To the National Presidents of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Daughters of Union Veterans and the Woman's Relief Corps, congratulations are extended. It is my sincere hope that we will enjoy a harmonious and productive year as we work together in behalf of our respective Organizations to honor and keep alive the memory of those who died so that others might live.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with a feeling of deep gratitude and humility that I greet you in this, my first General Order of the year. I sincerely hope that you will contact me if I can be helpful in any way at all during the year to any member, Auxiliary or Department. Thank you, one and all, for your confidence in me and your loyal support.

I pray that we will see a sizeable increase in membership this year, especially in those Auxiliaries who have only a few active members. It would please me more than I can express in words if ALL Auxiliaries would REALLY try to get enough active members to do the floor work at every meeting. It is this beautiful Ritualistic work that sets our Order apart from all other Organizations. If those who are familiar with the floor work do not pass their knowledge to the next generation, several generations from now it will be lost forever. We cannot survive on memories of what our grandmothers, mothers, aunts, etc. used to do; we must orient and train this generation and future generations to carry on this Ritualistic work. True, WE remember what has been done in past years – but if we don't continue to do those things, our grandchildren will not remember the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War as it has been in former years. We must all strive to keep alive our Organization as it was in the past. We used to have many activities and large banquets and largely-attended meetings in spacious meeting halls and there is no reason why we cannot once again enjoy an increase in membership, an increased number of activities and an increased attendance at our functions. *I'M* concerned about the future of our Organization in generations to come – are *YOU*? We have come through a period of anti-Americanism in some of the youth of our Nation, but we are now enjoying a period of renewed interest in patriotism and heritage – let's capitalize on it! There are many people in this Country who are eligible for membership in our Order. We have only to search them out, invite them to join our ranks, and then have enough activities to hold their interest. Our long-time members are invaluable for their years of devoted loyalty and their knowledge of past activities and Ritualistic work, but we need new and younger members who can be trained in the work of our Order who can carry on when you and I are no longer around to do so.

We ARE an Organization that remembers its past, but we must also have concern for our future. And we can have a bright future if we all work together toward that goal.

It CAN be done, but it's up to ALL of us. We must not wait for someone else to do the job for us — the time has come when something MUST be done to insure the future of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War for generations who have not yet been born.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

Marion E. Combs  
National President

Attest:

Viola L. Bremme  
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