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

The holidays this year were more enjoyable because of the many cards and notes received from members in all parts of the country. I appreciate your thoughtfulness and kind words very much and hope that all of you have had happy holidays and will enjoy good health and happiness during the coming year as we all work together for the good of our Order. What better time is there than the beginning of a new year to reflect upon our past activities and to concern ourselves with those things that will ensure a productive and fruitful future for this Organization.

Congratulations and best wishes are extended to the newly-elected officers of each Auxiliary. The National Organization appreciates and is grateful for the dedication and loyalty of all officers and members who have served in the past and are diligently fulfilling their obligations this current year.

NATIONAL AIDES FOR 1977-78

California & Pacific – Mildred Gentile, Bessie Crimm, Ethel Gates

Colorado & Wyoming –

Connecticut – Eva Lauback, Nathalie Linnell, Grayce Miller, Joan Buchanan, Elsie Squier

Illinois – Gertrude Smith, Ruth Miller Hayes, Dorothy Schaefer, Loretta Maher, Lucille Dominquez

Indiana – Hanna Kreisher, Helen Brand

Iowa – Alice Benzine, Grace Hanson, Esther Sieberling, Eva Cote, Bernice Woodford, Ethel Jones

- Maine* – Gladys Hurley, Luella Crockett, Jessie Butler, Doris Warner, Jannette Rosner, Irene Strout, Louise Fitzgerald, Ethel Whitten, Golda Hall, Mildred Webster, Hilda York
- Maryland & Delaware* – Virginia Johnson, Dorris Schlenker, Carroll Flocco, Sandra Spencer
- Massachusetts* – Barbara Brown, Sadie Fuller, Leona Silloway, Jennie Russell, Norma Garney, Lillian LaMarsh, Ruth Bogan, Alice Chamberlain, Bertha Archer, Lillian Heuser, Ida Tully, Freda Harrington, Phyllis Moynihan, Barbara Bunker
- Michigan* – Ona Savage, Louise LaBanta, Violet Hinz
- Missouri* – Hazel Moushey, Dorothy Moushey, Helena Rau, Marjorie Thompson, Rosella Vanac, Catherine Roderique
- New Hampshire* –
- New Jersey* – Florence Spring, Lillian Ekstrand, Ruth Davenport, Kareen Weber, Gladys Matthews, Rose Brandt, Catherine Kahn
- New York* – Luella Fields, Stella Learnard, Orlena Hogadon, Mattie St. Clair, Kathy Vroomon
- Ohio* – Betty Coen, Edna Mae Elliott, Mary Beilstein, Faye Marsh, Irene Polito, Connie Haueter, Nellie Emery, Myrtle Soloday, Mardell Yant
- Oregon & Washington* – Eva Durand, Norma Dellage, Hazel Ellis
- Pennsylvania* – Thressa Moeckel, Mary Jane Simpson, Kathleen Runkle, Mabel Hedemark, Arpah Schofield, Marcello Stephenson, Elizabeth Overly, Mildred Gruver, Mabelle McKendrick, Mary Bender, Rose Conrad, Dorothy Kern, Mayme Becker, Margaret Lettiner, Mercedes Householder, Mable Hottenstein
- Rhode Island* – Catherine Plante, Hazel Perry
- Vermont* – Barbara Law, Rhui Dubois, Addie Cheney, Nita Reed, Irene Griffith
- Wisconsin* – Ellinore Johnson, Genevieve Swenson, Helen Huff, Elna Kannenberg, Evelyn Jung, Constance Nack, Hazel Britton, Betty Johnson, Mildred Biering, Raeona Black
- Provisional Auxiliary No. 2, Beaufort, S. C.* – Lillie Mae Cook
- Provisional Auxiliary No. 5, Duluth, Minn.* –

ATTENTION DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS

Will the Department Presidents who have not appointed their National Aides please do so at once and send their names and addresses to me so National Chief of Staff Hilda Junge can contact them with regard to this year's work. The work of the National Chief of Staff

1978 DEPARTMENT ENCAMPMENTS

<i>Department</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>Dates</i>
California & Pacific	Fresno	April 14, 15, 16
Colorado & Wyoming		June 4
Connecticut	East Hartford	May 6 & 7
Illinois	Peoria	June 16 & 17
Indiana	Indianapolis	June 10
Iowa	Des Moines	June 15, 16, 17
Maine	Waterville	mid-June
Maryland & Delaware	Alexandria, Va.	April 29 & 30
Massachusetts	Chicopee Falls	April 28, 29, 30
Michigan	Grand Rapids	June 19, 20, 21
Missouri	St. Louis	May 11
New Hampshire		April 21 & 22
New Jersey	Avon-By-The-Sea	June 15, 16, 17
New York	Syracuse	June 25, 26, 27, 28
Ohio		June 23, 24, 25
Oregon & Washington	Seattle	March 18 & 19
Pennsylvania	Williamsport	June 18, 19, 20, 21
Rhode Island	Warwick	April 8
Vermont	Warren	June 22, 23, 24
Wisconsin	Milwaukee	June 3
Prov. Aux. No. 2	Beaufort, S. C.	
Prov. Aux. No. 5	Duluth, Minn.	

If any of these dates or places are incorrect, please let me know right away. I would also appreciate receiving the missing cities and dates at the earliest possible time.

I should like to visit all Departments during the year. Where it is not possible to attend the Department Encampment, I will try to arrange for a called meeting and will appreciate the cooperation of the Departments in this regard. As you can see from the foregoing schedule, it will be an impossibility for me to visit many Departments during their Encampments because of conflicting dates.

QUARTERLY REPORTS

All quarterly reports with check for per capita tax made payable to M. Helen Loll, National Treasurer, should be mailed to National Secretary Viola M. Bremme, 4724 N. Mascher St. Philadelphia, Pa. 19120. Reports are due immediately after the close of the March quarter. Please be prompt.

SUPPLIES

Orders for supplies should be mailed to National Treasurer M. Helen Loll, 3601 N. 5th Ave., Apt. 107, Phoenix, Arizona 85013. Check should accompany the order.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

February

- 12 Birthday of Abraham Lincoln, 1809
- 22 Birthday of George Washington, 1732

March

- 9 Battle of the Monitor & Merrimac, 1862

April

- 9 General Robert E. Lee surrendered to General Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox in 1865
- 12 The Civil War began at Fort Sumter, 1861
- 15 Death of Abraham Lincoln, 1865
- 27 Birthday of Ulysses S. Grant, 1822

May

- 30 First Memorial Day observed 1868

June

- 14 Flag Day

IN MEMORIAM

The sympathy of the National Organization is extended to Sister Nellie Hawley, National Patriotic Instructor, whose husband joined the Church Victorious on October 24th.

Our sympathy, also, to all Sisters and Brothers who are bereaved at this time. May God comfort you in your sorrow.

ILLNESS

A speedy and complete recovery is wished for all who are ill or have been ill.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It has been a most memorable and enjoyable five months since our Des Moines Encampment. I have travelled at least one day and as many as four days out of each week between the last weekend in August and mid-November. It has been a privilege and honor to have been associated with Commander-in-Chief Harold T. Beilby of the Sons, National President Henrietta Bodge of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, National President Anna Kinnison of the Daughters of Union Veterans, and National President Lois Didier of the Woman's Relief Corps. We were all together in Gettysburg at the 20th Remembrance Day Program on November 19 and placed the wreaths of our Organizations at the monument of Comrade Albert Woolson in Ziegler's Grove on the Battlefield.

My travels have taken me as far as Madison, Wisconsin and as close as Princeton, New Jersey. I have been warmly welcomed as your President and hope that my efforts in behalf of our National Organi-

is of great importance to the financial structure of our Organization and she must have the cooperation of the National Aides from EVERY Department to raise the necessary funds to carry on the work of our National Organization.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Lelia M. Turner, National Vice President, 42 Elderly Drive, Randolph, Mass. 02368

CHANGE OF ROSTER

New Department President - Colorado & Wyoming - Gladys Woolsey, 101 Jasper Drive, Security, Colorado 80911

The National Secretary-Treasurer of the Sons is Chester S. Shriver, P. O. Box 24, Gettysburg, Penna. 17325, who was elected in Des Moines, Iowa last August. Brother Fred H. Combs, Jr. resigned on doctor's orders and has been serving in that capacity until January 13th, at which time Brother Shriver assumed the duties. Brother Combs will continue to serve as Coordinator of Membership-at-Large.

MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT

To Department Vice Presidents
and Auxiliary Vice Presidents:

Having been installed as your National Vice President last August, I am now chairman of membership and by now you know that you are my committee. I know you will serve as willingly as I do.

I know that we will all work together as we all have the same interests. Let's make this a positive year for our Organization and each of us try to bring in at least one new member. With a little effort, I know we can do it, so now is the time.

Hope to hear that you are all doing fine.

Yours in F., C., & L.,
Lelia M. Turner
National Vice President

MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

I deeply appreciate the honor conferred upon me by my election to the office of Patriotic Instructor. Working together, we can make it possible for the Organization to continue our work. It is imperative that an Organization such as ours stress Patriotism. To do this, we need money. You can help by contributing money or purchasing chance books. Lovely prizes will be drawn for in August, including afghan, Lincoln bust, Lenox china, electric clock, ceramic ware, and many other prizes. Please do what you can. Make checks payable to National Treasurer M. Helen Loll and send to me.

Many thanks to all of you.

Sincerely in F., C., & L.,
Nellie Hawley
National Patriotic Instructor
1357 S. 22
Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501

MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

To Department Chaplains and Auxiliary Chaplains:

Just a brief note to remind you that Chaplains' Reports run from April 1 to March 31 each year. Auxiliary Chaplains should send their reports to the Department Chaplains early in April so the Department Chaplains can consolidate their reports for their Department Encampments.

Department Chaplains should forward their reports to the National Chaplain immediately following the close of their Department Encampments so the National Chaplain can consolidate her report prior to the National Encampment in August.

I hope all Chaplains will encourage all members to participate in services commemorating Memorial Day and, wherever possible, plan special observances.

Yours in F., C., & L.,
Arlene Iervolino
National Chaplain

MESSAGE FROM NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF

To all National Aides:

I have mailed a letter to many of you and will be looking forward to hearing from all of you throughout the year. If you want any more chance books, I will gladly send them along upon request from you. I have had several beautiful prizes donated and several more promised. Your contributions, purchase of tickets and donations of prizes will help me to meet the goal of \$2,000 which has been set for this year.

Sincerely in F., C., & L.,
Hilda Junge
National Chief of Staff
2B Boston Court
Whiting, N. J. 08759

1978 NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT

The Michigan Department is working very hard to make our stay in Grand Rapids, Michigan the week of August 13 to 17 most enjoyable for all who attend. Details will be given in my next Order.

zation have served to accomplish a beneficial purpose. I am most grateful to the members and Departments for their many courtesies and gifts. I would be remiss if I did not single out Auxiliary No. 1 and Abraham Lincoln Camp No. 6 of Rochester and express my sincere appreciation for the testimonial dinner and reception held in honor of Brother Beilby and me on October 15 at the Americana of Rochester.

I shall be ever grateful to the Department of New Jersey and to the members of the Committee who arranged for the memorable dinner and reception held in my honor on November 5 at the Nassau Inn in Princeton, New Jersey and to all who attended. My feelings were expressed in the following lyrics which were recorded to the tune of the popular country ballad "Release Me" —

*Please believe me, I'm sincere
I'm so glad to see you all here
I know you've come from far and near
You have made this night so full of cheer.*

*Please believe me, this is true
I'm so grateful to all of you
For your support and friendship, too
The many kind things you say and do.*

*Please believe me when I say
If fate decrees, I hope I may
Help make plans for another day
By serving our Order in this way.*

*Please believe me, you're all right
As friends and kin you're a delight
I love you all with all my might
And mem'ries for me you've made tonight.*

These same sentiments hold true for the many members who have helped to make my visitations and activities thus far such memorable and enjoyable occasions.

The battleship Monitor was the first ironclad ship and was victorious over the Virginia, formerly known as the Merrimac, when they fought off Norfolk, Virginia on March 9, 1862. A year later, however, as the Monitor struggled south to join the Yankee attack on Wilmington, N. C. there was a gale wind blowing off Cape Hatteras on that New Year's Eve and the seas claimed the Monitor as one more victim of the "Graveyard of the Atlantic". Eleven men aboard died when the Union warship slid under the waves.

The site of that Civil War sinking was discovered on March 7, 1974 by a professor from Duke University. A year later, the lost crew's grave was marked when the site was designated as a Marine Sanctuary to protect it from treasure hunters and salvors. The red distress lantern has been recovered and the sunken ship has been photographed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the Harbor Banch Foundation, Inc.

The Monitor is resting bottom-up on the sand under 210 feet of water about 16 miles off the North Carolina coast and efforts to raise it in one piece are scheduled to begin next spring.

A member of the Sons, John Davis of the Massachusetts Department, now lives in Virginia Beach, Virginia and has become interested in the efforts of the Monitor Research and Recovery Foundation and has recently been nominated as a member of their National Advisory Board.

I am sure we will be hearing more about this worthwhile project in coming months.

I am awaiting definite dates and places of all Department Encampments and will then be contacting all Department Presidents regarding my itinerary for the spring months. Wherever possible, Commander-in-Chief Beilby and I will officially visit together at the Department Encampments. It will be a pleasure to greet all of our members throughout the year.

Sincerely in F., C., & L.,
Marion E. Combs
National President

Attest: Viola M. Bremme
National Secretary