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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring is finally here and with it another show season begins! It is hard to believe that Ashland is only one month away and we will be meeting once again to swap stories, badges, and probably a few lies! I have seen several of our members recently and have urged them to attend our encampment as well as the business meeting at the Surrey Inn. I have all but finalized the plans there, the family style type dinner that we have requested is no longer available, so we will be picking from some twelve entrees to include chicken, fish, and other meats. You can also order appetizers, etc. Prices range from about \$6.95 to \$14.95 plus tax and tip. A new owner has taken over and they assure me that they will have two waitresses on duty for us. We will be having two presentations after dinner, so entertainment will be provided as usual. Please remember to send in or bring your ideas for improving our association so we can discuss them at the business part of our annual meeting.

I recently had the pleasure of being invited to a Sons of Confederate Veterans meeting at Petersburg, Virginia and it was a very worthwhile experience. It was extremely interesting to see how they perpetuate the memory of at least the confederate veterans and nice to know that we are not alone in our quest to remember the blue and gray. Finally, it has been my extreme pleasure to serve as your President this past year (and it has indeed gone fast) and I want to thank you all for helping to support our association.

Dennis R. Loba

Rance Hulshart will present a program on G A R buttons and Dennis R. Loba a program on badges at the annual meeting.

Concerning Mr. Haussmann's G A R belt buckle question in Vol. 3 No. 3 and the answer in Vol. 3 No. 4 I must express a varying view with the statement the G A R belt plate is not a recent reproduction or fake. I would like to know if these members with similar plates looked at both the obverse and reverse of their plates.

Presently, I have 29 variations of G A R and S V belt buckles and additionally I have several duplicates which I feel qualifies me more than most in determining whether the buckle is old or not. I agree the obverse of the buckle is copied after a legitimate G A R buckle illustrated in Horstmann's catalog as "74563 our own and original design" but all similarities end there.

I have yet to see a bronze buckle which has been cast. All are either brass or silver colored probably a mixture of nickel. I have also never seen this type of keeper arrangement on authentic buckles. This is definitely the type of keeper arrangement used on newer buckles. If you attend flea markets, I am sure you have seen this type of keeper on newer buckles. I feel in order to resolve this question anyone that has a similar buckle bring it to Ashland for all to observe and give their opinions. I will bring my variations to back my opinion. Submitted by No. 28 Rance Hulshart

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

April 28, 29 Ashland, Ohio Civil War Show
May 18, 19, 20 Civil War and Antique Arms Show Travelodge Motel
Winchester, Virginia

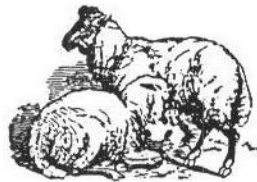
Editorial credits for the enclosed articles:

#28 Rance Hulshart -- Headquarters Lambs also Grand Army Soap Advertisement
#72 Nick Luberto -- Government issued medals to civil war vets
#57 Thomas L. Mac Donald and #8 Dennis R. Loba -- Union Naval Veterans
#19 Richard A. Haussmann -- Who gets the lion's Share?

Civil War Veterans Historical Association Secretary,

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HEADQUARTERS LAMBS

In the Field.

DEPARTMENT OF COHOCKSINK CREEK.

CAMP RISING SUN,

June, 5th, 1882.

Comrades :

The LAMBS ASSOCIATION, of Post 51, Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R. intend going into Camp at the Rising Sun Park, for four days, viz : June 8, 9, 10 and 11.

We hereby extend to you a cordial invitation to visit us upon the aforesaid occasion, and will endeavor to entertain you in a Lamb-like manner.

By command of

THE BOSS RAM.

In Vol. Two No. Two September 1988 I asked in part what the relationship of Lambs and Capt. Philip R. Schuyler Post No. 51 Phila., Pa. was? No answer was received. I believe the above copy of correspondence answers in part my question. The only remaining question is why did posts have separate associations within their posts? Some other organizations that I am aware of within posts are the Razors of Pa. Post 8, Owls of Pa. Post 16, Neptune Club and Rhiengold Club of unknown posts. Apparently clubs within posts was quite common. Any information other members can supply concerning this practice would be beneficial to all members. What do other members know concerning this practice?



THE ABOVE MEDAL IS ONE OF THE FOUR GOVERNMENT ISSUED MEDALS REFERED TO IN VOL.3,NO.4.

THE MEDALS WERE DESIGNED BY GILROY ROBERTS AND STRUCK AT THE PHILADELPHIA BRANCH OF THE U.S. MINT PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 730, CHAPTER 631, 2ND SESSION OF THE 84TH CONGRESS. THEY WERE APPROVED BY PRESIDENT EISENHOWER ON JULY 18,1956. ONLY FOUR MEDALS WERE STRUCK AND THE DIES WERE THEN DESTROYED. THE ESTIMATED COST OF THE FOUR MEDALS WAS \$3500. THIS WAS DUE TO THE FACT THAT EACH MEDAL WAS 70 MM IN DIAMETER AND CONTAINED SLIGHTLY OVER 10.5 OZ. OF .999 FINE GOLD. WALTER WILLIAMS AND JOHN SALLING'S MEDALS ARE IN PRIVATE HANDS (WALTER WILLIAMS MEDAL WAS SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION BY STACKS N.Y. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 85TH ANNUAL AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION CONVENTION IN AUG. 1976). OF THE TWO OTHER MEDALS, ONE IS IN THE SMITHSONIAN AND THE OTHER WAS DESTROYED BY VANDALS. A DESCRIPTION OF THE MEDAL INDICATES THAT THE RECIPIENTS NAME WAS NOT ENGRAVED ONTO IT. PERHAPS THE SMITHSONIAN COULD TELL US IF THEY HAVE ALBERT WOOLSONS OR WILLIAM A. LUNDY'S MEDAL. IN THIS WAY WE COULD ACCOUNT FOR ALL FOUR MEDALS.

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CHAPTER V.

"THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF NAVAL VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES."



BADGE.

THE objects for which the Grand Army of the Republic was organized appeal as strongly to the loyal sailor as to his soldier brother. Naturally, therefore, the G. A. R. early absorbed into its ranks large numbers of Naval Veterans, and it was not because of any change in principles that many old sailors in the course of time decided to withdraw from the G. A. R., and form Naval Associations, but rather that the Naval Veterans might be united in closer bonds of fraternity.

Prior to the year 1887 a number of Independent Societies, composed exclusively of Naval Veterans, had been formed at various times in different sections throughout the country, and on the 13th day of January, 1887, eight of these Veteran societies met in convention at New York city, where the "National Association of Naval Veterans of the United States" was formed, with Charles W. Adams, of Illinois, as first Commodore. At this convention, a constitution, together with a uniform, national badge, and a recognition lapel button, was adopted and other important matters for the welfare of the local associations decided upon.

OBJECTS OF THE ORDER.

The objects of this National Organization are "to cherish the memory and association of the War of the Rebellion; to perpetuate the glorious name and deeds of our Navy; to strengthen the ties of fraternal fellowship and sympathy; to extend relief to worthy members; to bury their dead; and to maintain the honor of the American flag;" in short, "mutual benefit, better recognition by Federal, State, and municipal authorities, a higher elevation of our old messmates, and a cementing of the bonds of friendship, which were begun more than a quarter of a century ago, and an independent, but concerted, action of Naval Veterans throughout the country."

ELIGIBILITY TO MEMBERSHIP.

"To become a member of this Order, the applicant must have been an officer, seaman, landsman, fireman, or marine; or one who served in the United States Navy from 1861 to 1865, or who was in the revenue cutter service during that period, and who resigned or was honorably discharged from the service." "Shipmates" who are isolated and not within easy reach of a local association may become "Associate Members" by the payment of a small fee, and thus become entitled to wear the uniform, badge, and button, and parade with the Order annually.

Ten "Shipmates" can form an association, and upon the payment of five dollars (\$5) receive from the Rear Admiral commanding a charter, set of rituals, and service books.

The association has a uniform and rank insignia, not unlike that worn by the officers of the "Old Navy," in which they served, and flies the "Union Jack" as its service colors.

The work of this organization is carried on much after the manner of the Grand Army of the Republic, yet purely distinctive of naval routine and customs. A National Convention is held yearly in connection with the G. A. R. encampments, and the

national officers for the following year are then elected. At the Twenty-sixth Annual Encampment of the G. A. R., held at Washington, September 20, 1892, over one thousand "Shipmates" were added to the National Roster of the Order, which now contains the names and addresses of about nine thousand living Naval Veterans.

The Association is noted for the interest and enthusiasm of its members and the strong ties of friendship and comradeship existing among the "Shipmates." There are a large number of Naval Veterans in the G. A. R. Posts of all State Departments: in fact, most of the members of this Association have also a membership in the G. A. R.

Most of the Naval Veteran Associations meet regularly once or twice a month, and all of them hold yearly reunions, where the old "Blue-jackets" spin over their yarns, fight over their battles, and, perhaps, "splice the main brace."

The old Veterans are rapidly "losing the number of their mess," and, in a few short years, there will be left but a "quarter watch" of useless human hulks. "May they find happiness and contentment as they lie moored in the still waters of the stream of life, calmly awaiting the inevitable hour when the frail cable shall part and they drift away into the great ocean of eternity."

The following is a list of the active Naval Veteran Societies of the United States:

Farragut Association Naval Veterans, Philadelphia, Pa.
Farragut Association Naval Veterans, New York.
Naval Veterans' Association of Connecticut, Hartford, Conn.
Farragut Association, Chicago, Ill.
Essex Naval Veterans' Association, Salem, Mass.
Cushing Naval Veterans' Association, Milwaukee, Wis.
Naval Veterans' Association of the Gulf, New Orleans, La.
D. D. Porter Naval Veterans' Association, Columbus, Ohio.
Admiral Dahlgren Naval Veterans' Association, Dayton, Ohio.
Farragut Naval Veterans' Association, Providence, R. I.
D. D. Porter Naval Veterans' Association, Louisville, Ky.
Maryland Naval Veterans' Association, Baltimore, Md.
Illinois Naval Veterans' Association, Chicago, Ill.
Thos. A. Budd Naval Veterans' Association, Buffalo, N. Y.
Naval Veterans' Legion, Philadelphia, Pa.
Potoinac Naval Veterans' Association, Washington, D. C.
Cumberland Naval Veterans' Association, New Bedford, Mass.
Central New York Naval Veterans' Association, Amsterdam, N. Y.
Michigan Naval Veterans' Association, Detroit, Mich.
Herrick Blue Naval Veterans' Association, Zanesville, Ohio.
Monitor Naval Veterans' Association, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Cincinnati Naval Veterans' Association, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Minnesota Naval Veterans' Association, St. Paul, Minn.
Admiral Du Pont Naval Veterans' Association, Fort Worth, Tex.
Commodore Perry Naval Veterans' Association, Cleveland, Ohio.
Shirk Naval Veterans' Association, Erie, Pa.
Kearsarge Naval Veterans' Association, Portsmouth, N. H.
Black Hawk Naval Veterans' Association, Indianapolis, Ind.
Dahlgren Naval Veterans' Association, Lowell, Mass.
Kennebec Naval Veterans' Association, Bath, Me.

At this writing, October 20, 1893, there are Associations almost ready for charter in Boston, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and Annapolis.

At the last National Convention, held in Indianapolis, Ind., September 7, 1893, the "Union Jack" was substituted for the red, white, and blue ribbon formerly attached to the badge of the Association, and the following officers were elected:

Rear Admiral Commanding—B. S. Osbon, 429 Broadway, New York.

Commodore—Cyrus Sears, 423 Lafayette Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

Captain—R. N. Hopkins, 128 South Clark Street, Chicago, Ill.

Commander—C. H. Leaman, Market and Jefferson Streets, Dayton, Ohio

Lieutenant Commander—Samuel B. Dixon, 63 Brady, corner John R. Street, Detroit, Mich.
 Senior Lieutenant—Benj. D. Blanchard, 372 West Forty-sixth Street, New York.
 Lieutenant—Joseph Chace, Jr., 33 Belmont Avenue, Providence, R. I.
 Surgeon—C. Marion Dodson, 1408 Madison Avenue, Baltimore, Md.
 Paymaster—Erdix F. Dustin, 90 Friendship Street, Providence, R. I.
 Engineer—John B. Wirt, 8 Indiana Avenue, Indianapolis, Ind.
 Chaplain—Rev. Samuel Alman, 227 Division Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 National Secretary—George W. Bostwick, 52 Atlantic Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 National Boatswain—W. E. Goodnough, 503 East Street, New Haven Conn.
 Senior Aide, Chief of Staff—Commander Will E. Atkins, Cherry Street, North Chase Avenue (Cumminsville) Cincinnati, Ohio.
 National Historian—Past Commander Wm. Simmons, 1432 Whar-ton Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

ASSOCIATIONS COMPOSING THE NATIONAL ASSO- CIATION OF NAVAL VETERANS IN ORDER OF SENIORITY.

Official No.	Name of Association.	Headquarters.	Date of Organization.
1.	Farragut Association.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	Aug. 5, 1867.
2.	Farragut Association.....	New York.....	Nov. 15, 1833.
3.	Gideon Welles Assn. of Conn.....	Hartford, Conn.....	June 18, 1884.
4.	Farragut Association.....	Chicago, Ill.....	June 25, 1884.
5.	Essex Association.....	Salem, Mass.....	Feb. 26, 1887.
6.	Cushing Association.....	Milwaukee, Wis.....	June 4, 1833.
7.	Naval Association of the Gulf.....	New Orleans, La.....	Sept. 1, 1888.
8.	Minnesota Association.....	St. Paul, Minn.....	April 16, 1889.
9.	D. D. Porter Association.....	Columbus, Ohio.....	July 20, 1889.
10.	Admiral Dahlgren Association.....	Dayton, Ohio.....	Oct. 19, 1889.
11.	Farragut Association.....	Providence, R. I.....	Oct. 19, 1889.
12.	D. D. Porter Association.....	Louisville, Ky.....	March 2, 1890.
13.	Naval Veteran Association.....	Cincinnati, Ohio.....	Oct. 16, 1890.
14.	Maryland Association.....	Baltimore, Md.....	Jan. 1891.
15.	Naval Veteran Assn. of Illinois.....	Chicago, Ill.....	Feb. 14, 1891.
16.	Shirk Association.....	Erie, Pa.....	March 12, 1891.
17.	Admiral Dupont Association.....	Fort Worth, Texas.....	March 21, 1891.
18.	T. A. Bodd Association.....	Buffalo, N. Y.....	April 29, 1891.
19.	Potomac Association.....	Washington, D. C.....	Nov. 18, 1891.
20.	Cumberland Association.....	New Bedford, Mass.....	Dec. 1891.
21.	Central New York Association.....	Amsterdam, N. Y.....	Dec. 18, 1891.
22.	Commodore Perry Association.....	Cleveland, Ohio.....	Jan. 11, 1892.
23.	Michigan Association.....	Detroit, Mich.....	Jan. 11, 1892.
24.	Herrick Blue Association.....	Zanesville, Ohio.....	June 16, 1892.
25.	Monitor Association.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.....	Aug. 4, 1892.
26.	Kearsarge Association.....	Portsmouth, N. H.....	Chartered Jan. 2, 1893.
27.	Black Hawk Association.....	Indianapolis, Ind.....	Chartered Jan. 16, 1893.
28.	Dahlgren Association.....	Lowell, Mass.....	Chartered Feb. 13, 1893.
29.	Kennebec Association.....	Bath, Me.....	Chartered Mar. 14, 1893.
30.	Admiral S. C. Rowan Assn.....	Annapolis, Md.....	Chartered Oct. 27, 1893.
31.	Farragut Association.....	Boston, Mass.....	Chartered Nov. 22, 1893.
32.	Philadelphia Naval Vet. Assn.....	Philadelphia, Pa.....	Chartered Jan. 20, 1894.
33.	Admiral Winslow Association.....	Pittsburgh, Pa.....	Chartered Apl. 10, 1894.
34.	Rock River Naval Vet. Assn.....	Rockford, Ill.....	Chartered May 15, 1894.
35.	Lake Superior Nav. Vet. Assn.....	Marquette, Mich.....	Chartered Oct. 19, 1894.
36.	Commodore Hopkins N.V. Assn.....	Santa Monica, Cal.....	Chartered Oct. 24, 1894.
37.	S. C. Rowan Assn. Naval Vet.....	Portsmouth, Va.....	Chartered Dec. 22, 1894.
38.	Admiral Foote Nav. Vet. Assn.....	St. Louis, Mo.....	Chartered Sept. 1, 1895.
39.	Admiral Boggs Nav. Vet. Assn.....	Newark, N. J.....	Chartered Oct. 22, 1895.

VETERANS OF THE NAVY.

The following associations are composed exclusively of men who served in the Navy during the rebellion :

The Farragut Veteran Association, of Philadelphia—Commander, George L. Varnick, 215 North Tenth street; Secretary, William Simmons, 1432 Whar-ton street.
Connecticut Naval Veteran Association—President, Chas. A. Stillman, Hartford, Connecticut; Secretary, Sherman W. Adams, Hart-ford, Connecticut.
The Farragut Veteran Association of the Port of New York—Com-mander, S. L. B. McCallmount, 237 Willoughby avenue, Brooklyn; Secretary, J. P. Holland, 225 Eleventh street, Brooklyn.
Farragut Veteran Association of the West—Commander, J. W. Page, 14 Ashland Block, Chicago, Illinois; Secretary, T. H. Burke, 14 Ashland Block, Chicago, Illinois.
The Naval Veteran Legion of California—President, Martin Murray, 215 Sutter street, San Francisco; Secretary, E. G. King, 215 Sutter street, San Francisco.
The Essex Association of Naval Veterans, of Essex, Massachusetts—Commander, E. A. Winn, Salem, Massachusetts; Secretary, E. A. Brown, Salem, Massachusetts; Assistant Secretary, Paul Phalen, Lawrence, Massachusetts.
Naval Veteran Association of the Gulf, of New Orleans—President, T. J. Woodward, 40 and 42 Canal street, New Orleans; Secre-tary, Geo. J. Pinckard, 40 and 42 Canal street, New Orleans.
Commodore Foote Naval Veteran Association, St. Louis, Misso-ri—Commander, J. C. Parker, 507 N. Third street, St. Louis, Missouri; Secretary, Joseph Brown, Jr., 3611 Cass avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.
The "Kearsarge" Association of Naval Veterans, of Boston, Massa-chusetts—Commodore, P. H. Kendrick, 46 Millmont street, Boston, Massachusetts; Secretary, Chas. B. Curtis, 46 Mill-mont street, Boston, Massachusetts.
The "Monitor" Association of Naval Veterans, of Camden, New Jersey—Commander, R. A. Pierson, 564 Berkley street, Cam-den, New Jersey; Secretary, D. A. Carter, 733 Federal street, Camden, New Jersey.

On January 13, 1887, representatives from a number of these associations met in New York city, and formed the "NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF NAVAL VETERANS." Chas. W. Adams, Chicago, was elected Commodore, and William Simmons, Philadelphia, Secre-tary.

The second annual meeting was held in the quarters of Naval Post No. 400, Philadelphia, in January, 1888, and the following officers were chosen: Commodore, Joseph Hadfield, New York; Commander, George L. Varnick, Philadelphia; Paymaster, F. H. Grove, New York; Surgeon, J. D. Murray, New Jersey; Secretary, William Simmons, 1432 Whar-ton street, Philadelphia.

Officers or enlisted men of the United States Naval, Revenue or Marine service, who served between April 12, 1861, and August 25, 1865, are eligible to membership.

Distinctively Naval Posts have been formed as follows :

No. 400, Philadelphia, William Simmons, Commander.
 No. 516, New York city, F. H. Grove, Commander.
 No. 104, Hoboken, Louis Richards, Commander.

NAVAL POSTS OF THE G. A. R.

There are but three Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic whose membership is limited to Naval Veterans, located as follows:

NAVAL POST 400, DEPT. OF PENNSYLVANIA.

Located at Philadelphia. Chartered December 12, 1883. Meets on Wednesday Evening, N. W. Cor. Eighth and Vine Streets. Officers for 1895, as follows: Commander, Michael Quigley; Senior Vice Commander, J. J. Sproul; Junior Vice Commander, G. W. Rivels; Chaplain, W. J. Morgan; Adjutant, F. Robinson; Quartermaster, William Crooks; Surgeon, William Simmons; Officer of the Deck, James E. Boyle; Officer of the Guard, Johnston Sloan; Delegates, J. F. Mackie, W. J. Ferguson, Frank Robinson, William Simmons.

NAVAL POST, No. 516, DEPT. OF NEW YORK.

Located in New York City. Chartered October 26, 1884. Meets semi-monthly in the hall of Essex Market, corner Grand and Ludlow Streets. Officers for 1895: Commander, T. J. Twomey; Senior Vice Commander, John Boland; Junior Vice Commander, W. Churchill; Chaplain, E. F. Jennings; Surgeon, E. Russell; Officer of the Deck, E. Jones; Delegates, F. H. Grove, B. S. Osbon, A. C. L. Borie, G. W. Bostwick.

STEVENS NAVAL POST, No. 104, DEPT. OF NEW JERSEY.

Located at Hoboken, N. J. Chartered April 6, 1887. Officers for 1895, are as follows: Commander, H. F. Rockenstye;

Senior Vice Commander, James Shaw; Junior Vice Commander, John Nolan; Adjutant, James Garrigan; Quartermaster, Charles Brown; Chaplain, A. A. Rowe; Surgeon, J. Lensing; Officer of the Deck, H. F. C. Kruse; Officer of the Guard, F. McFadden; Delegates, James Garrigan, James Shaw.

NAVAL CAMP, No. 400, SONS OF VETERANS.

This is the only Naval Camp in the United States, and meets weekly on Monday Evenings, in Naval Post Hall, Philadelphia. It was chartered by the Division of Pennsylvania, November 5, 1890, and is officered as follows: Captain, E. B. Hughley; First Lieutenant, George R. Harley; Second Lieutenant, J. E. Harley.

UNITED STATES MARINE LEGION, ORGANIZED AT WASHINGTON, D. C. SEPT. 21, 1892.

SURVIVORS U. S. MARINE CORPS.

Officers.

Colonel Commanding, Joseph Smolinski, 616 Sixth St., N. W. Washington, D. C.
Lieutenant-Colonel, Judge F. Shoemaker, 461 Chew Street, Waverly, N. Y.
Adjutant, William Simmons, 1432 Wharton Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Major, John F. Mackie, 251 South Eighth Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
Captain, John Donovan, Boston, Massachusetts.
Paymaster, Harry S. Haslam, Philadelphia, Pa.
Chaplain, William M. George, 121 South Main Street, Elkhart, Ind.

THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER RAM FLEET.

Officers for the coming year as follows: Commander, John M. Ackerman, of Louisville; Senior Vice Commander, James M. Ellis, Mattoon, Ill; Junior Vice Commander, John H. Owens, Charlestown, Ind.; Officer of the Day, D. M. Vaughan, Cleveland, O.; Historian and Treasurer, M. D. Crandall, St. Louis, Mo.; Surgeon, G. S. Case, Los Angeles, Cal.; Chaplain, Henry N. Crowder, Port Huron, Mich.



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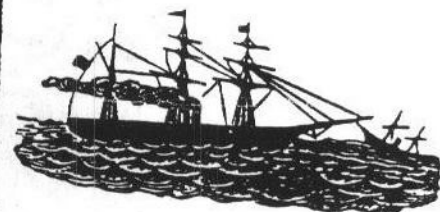
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