

# The VETERAN

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"The 4th Battalion"

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Preserving the Memory of Union and Confederate Veterans of the American Civil War  
*"Poor is the nation that has no heroes; shameful is the nation that has them and forgets."*

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## President's Corner

by Dennis Loba

Hello everyone and welcome new members! It's a new year and I hope this issue of "The VETERAN" finds you in good health and *GETTING READY* to join us at Mansfield, Ohio for our annual C WVHA National Encampment. We have made most of the arrangements for our dinner/business meeting and I would personally like to thank members George and Betty Finlayson for all of their efforts in securing our

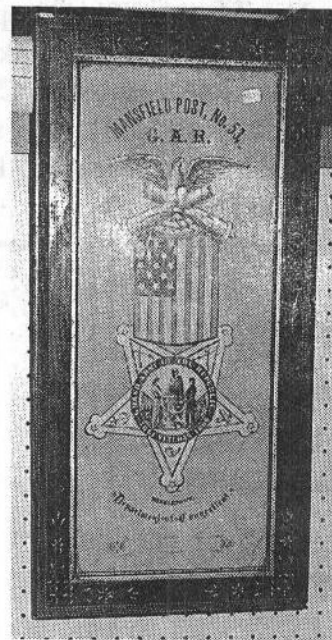
# Get Ready...

meeting place, etc. Please note the two "period" ads elsewhere for further details concerning our presentation speaker (thanks, Howard Hoffman!) and dinner details.

Members John Ferry and Gil Deibler have been very ill as of late and

I'd like to extend our best wishes to them to get better soon!

Finally, it's been a while since my last appeal to all of you to send things in for publication in "The VETERAN", and we really need your help. Our current supply of photos, articles, fillers, etc. is very low. Please take a little of your time to help us out. We really need items for the upcoming issues! Thanks. On to Mansfield!!



Small G.A.R. banner from the Mansfield, Connecticut, post, \$125 from Deep River Antiques, Essex, Connecticut.



A Civil War private from Essex, Connecticut, is as much in demand as a collectible as any general, and maybe more so. \$85 from Deep River Antiques.

## HOT NEWS

7th ANNUAL C WVHA ENCAMPMENT

Mansfield, Ohio

April 30, 1993 - May 2, 1993

See inside for details!

# Annual CWVHA Encampment

## April 30 - May 2, 1993

Our annual CWVHA Encampment will be held in conjunction with the Ohio Civil War Show in Mansfield, OH April 30 to May 2, 1993. If you've never attended this show, you're in for a real treat! Wall-to-wall artifacts, dealers, collectors, and, of course, CWVHA members.

Your CWVHA will have a special registration table for members set up in the GAR section of the show, so please stop by, register and visit for a while.

All members are urged to attend the Saturday evening annual CWVHA dinner/meeting which will feature a glass slide show presented by Colonel-General Howard H.A. Hoffman (late of the 999th Pa. Vol. Mounted Ski Troops Reserve)! If any other member has a short program they would like to present at the meeting please contact Secretary Rance Hulshart. Check the map shown below for directions to the show and to Damon's Restaurant, the location of our annual CWVHA Dinner Meeting. Please note the schedule of events on the following page. ↵

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**MAP OF GENERAL AREA MANSFIELD, OHIO**

Use Home Road Entrance to Richland County Fairgrounds CIVIL WAR SHOW

**Trimble Road Exit Details**

Map No.	Motels	Phone:	Area Code 419
1	Comfort Inn	529-1000	
2	Knight's Inn	529-2100	
3	Holiday Inn	525-6000	
4	Merrit	522-5142	
5	Best Western	589-2200	
6	Travelodge N.	589-3038	
7	Travelodge S.	756-7500	
8	Super 8	756-8875	
<b>Ashland Area:</b>			
9	Surry Inn	289-7700	
10	LK-Motel	281-0567	
11	(New) Day's Inn	289-0101	

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**EXHIBITOR TABLE INFORMATION**

8' - Buy-Sell & Competition Display Tables ..... \$45  
8' - Non-Competition Display Tables ..... \$35  
Table Set-up, Friday, April 30, 1993, 9:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday, May 1 & 2, 1993, 7:00 to 9:00 a.m.  
Security Provided Both Friday and Saturday Nights.  
No Dealing from Display Tables.  
Provide your own Table Cover.  
Two Day Show Tables Only.

**For Information & Tables**  
Contact:  
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# Announcement.

Colonel-General H. A. Hoffman  
of Bangor, Pa.  
(late of the 999th Pa. Vol. Mounted Ski Troops Reserve)  
has volunteered to present his famed

**ORIGINAL G. A. R. GLASS SLIDE SHOW**

for your enjoyment after our annual  
CWVHA Business Meeting  
Saturday, May 1st, 1993

Please make your plans now to attend this Exhibition

## Schedule for Mansfield

Here's the program for the Ohio Civil War Show weekend:


Fri. April 30: Dealer setup 3-9 p.m.

Sat. & Sun., May 1 & 2:  
Dealer admission 7-9 a.m.


General admission 9-5

Sat., May 1: CWVHA Annual Dinner Meeting at Damon's Restaurant, 6:30 p.m.

Sun., May 2:  
General admission 9-3




### Please Read This



The CWVHA will hold its 7th Annual National Encampment Dinner/Business Meeting on Saturday, May 1, 1993 at:

**DAMON'S RESTAURANT**  
**MCPHERSON STREET**  
**MANSFIELD, OHIO**

6:30PM Cocktails  
7:00 Dinner - Business Meeting/Program to follow  
Cost: \$13 - \$15 plus tax/tip  
Please RSVP to your association President or Secretary



## 21st National Encampment Badge

by Jim Thurston

Illustrated to the right are two cards which came inside a boxed example of the 21st National Encampment delegate's badge. The badge itself is a scarce item, but the cardboard box containing the original cards is even scarcer. The outside of the box lid is marked in blue "Joseph K. Davidson's Sons/Manufacturing Jewelers/ 718 Sansome Street/ Philadelphia". Refer to "The VETERAN", Vol. 4, No. 1, page #4 for a description of this badge.

This medal, of sterling silver, is presented on behalf of the citizens of St. Louis by the General Executive Committee on the entertainment of the 21st Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic; held at St. Louis, Mo., September 26th to October 1st, 1887. The copper star is of Missouri copper. Only 950 of these medals have been struck off.

**GEO. D. REYNOLDS,**  
*Chairman Sub-Com. on Badges*

**GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.**


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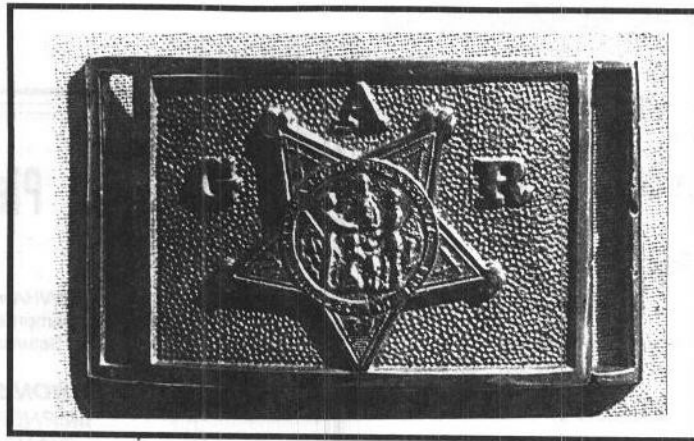
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**J. H. STEGER, SECRETARY.**
**W. J. LEMP, TREASURER.**

## GAR Buckles

by Rance Hulshart

Over several issues I have illustrated and described 26 different GAR belt buckles of various styles. Illustrated to the right is buckle #27 which is made of cast white metal and has the dimensions 1-3 3/32", h-1 31/32". The belt opening is integral at the end with an opening 1 25/32" long. The star is indented on the reverse. This is a variation of buckle #4 in Vol. 5, No. 2 of "The VETERAN." 



## G.A.R. Commander-in- Chief Paul Van Der Voort 1882-1883

Submitted by Pres. Dennis Loba

Sources: Beath's "History of the Grand Army of the Republic", and the "Journal of the 36th National Encampment, GAR, 1902"

Commander-in-Chief Paul Van Der Voort was born in Warren County, Ohio on July 12, 1846, and was under 16 years of age when he enlisted for the three months service in the 68th Illinois Infantry. He re-enlisted in Company M, 16th Illinois Cavalry, and was with his regiment in service in the 9th Corps, the 23rd Corps, and the Cavalry Corps on the Military Division of the Mississippi. He was taken prisoner at Jonesville, VA on January 3, 1864 and was confined for nearly a year in Andersonville and other Southern prisons. He was discharged for disability on August 1st, 1865, as Sergeant.


After the war in 1873 he entered the railway mail service, and served until 1892 - the latter years as Chief Clerk Agent at Omaha, NE.

He joined the Grand Army of the Republic in Illinois in 1866, and was Assistant Adjutant-General to Department-Commander Hilliard. He resigned that position on his removal to Omaha, where he was mainly instrumental in the re-organization of the Department of Nebraska, to which he

was assigned as Provisional Commander. On the formation of the Department he was elected Department-Commander, and was elected Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief, 1878." He married Miss Ware of Towanda, IL in 1868 and had four children.

Van Der Voort was elected to the GAR's highest office of Commander-in-Chief in 1882 at Baltimore and served for one term. His term in office was remembered by the GAR as

the single year during which its membership had increased the most. He was also elected the only "Honorary Member" of the National Women's Relief Corps (as of 1902) in recognition for his efforts to make the WRC the main auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Van Der Voort died on July 29, 1902 at Puerto Principe, Cuba from paralysis of the heart. "He was faithful to his duty as he saw it." 



Above. Commander-in-Chief Paul Van De Voort

## Corrections & Additions


Please make the following changes to Vol. 6, No. 3 of "The VETERAN":

1) Page 6, "Badge Descriptions", 1st para. - change "1907" to "1897" and in the 2nd para. change "bear" to "buffalo". Also, please note that this badge was made by G.G. Braxmar of New York.

2) Page 6, "G.A.R. Commander-in-Chief", headline - change date in office from "1882-1883" to "1881-1882".

3) The "G.A.R. Camp" article which appears on page 9 displays the use of the "G.A.R." acronym and the statement that apparently members in good standing were allowed to use the organization's symbols in trade. It has been brought to our attention that the 1902 G.A.R. Blue Book, article 117-9 forbids the use of the G.A.R. badge or letters as a sign of advertisement for private business. This policy was adopted at the 21st National Encampment held at St. Louis, MO in 1887.

Please bring any errors noted in "The VETERAN" to the Editor's attention. It is our intent that "The VETERAN" be factual and a be source of accurate information for future collectors and researchers.

And on a related topic - we will need a new graphic of the crossed flags which adorns the masthead on the cover of "The VETERAN." According to "The American Flag" (Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865) and "Post Commander's Guide" (The American Legion), the U.S. flag should always be on its own right (the viewer's left.) This includes crossed flags on staffs. The U.S. flag's staff should be in front or on top of the second flag and should be extending downwards to the viewer's right. The graphic presently in use on "The VETERAN" masthead is not in accordance with this flag etiquette - the flags should be reversed. If anyone has a line drawing or other graphic depicting properly crossed U.S. and Confederate States flags, please forward them to Secretary Rance Hulshart. 

## A.P. Davis Father of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Compiled and submitted by  
Rance Hulshart

Augustus Plummer Davis was born in Gardiner, ME on May 10, 1835. One of his ancestors was Isaac Davis who fought in the Battle of Concord on April 19, 1775. Davis' father was Capt. John Davis, a veteran of the War of 1812.


Davis went to California in 1850, and was discharged from the Navy in 1855 after five years of service. During the Crimean war he served as a subordinate officer in the French Navy. In 1861 Davis enlisted in Co. F 11th Main Infantry. In 1863 Pres. Lincoln commissioned Davis a Captain and in March of 1865 he was promoted to Brevet Major.

In 1872 Davis moved to Pittsburgh for health reasons and there started an insurance business. He organized Davis Camp No. 1 Sons of Veterans on November 12, 1881 (the 20th anniversary of his Civil War enlistment.) On November 26, 1881 a Pennsylvania charter was granted Davis Camp No. 1. But a group in Philadelphia claimed that they were Camp No. 1 because they had earlier formed a Drum & Bugle Corps of Sons of Civil War Veterans. A compromise was reached and the Anna M. Ross Camp in Philadelphia was given the distinction of being "No. 1" while the Pittsburgh group was renamed Davis Star Camp because it was the parent camp and the first. Davis Star Camp still exists and still possesses its original charter, flag, seal, and minutes book. Personally I own a 1914 roster of Davis Star Camp which includes the names of members acquired through the consolidation of Abraham Lincoln Camp No. 162 with Davis Star Camp on January 8, 1914. I also own a commission electing C.A. Boyles as commander of Davis Star

Camp on January 2, 1911.

A.P. Davis was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Society of the War of 1812, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion, the Union Veterans Legion, the Society of the Army of the Potomac, the Society of the Army of the James, and of the G.A.R. At the 2nd S.V. National Encampment in 1883 Davis was conferred the title of Past Commander-in-Chief S.V.

Davis died on May 1, 1888 and is buried in Pittsburgh, PA in the Allegheny Cemetery, 4734 Butler St., section 28, lot 35. His vault is marked with a bronze plaque honoring him as the father of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

Illustrated below is a badge produced most likely in his honor at the time of his death. The ribbon is red with a thin blue and yellow outer edge stripe on each side. Davis is shown wearing many of his membership badges of the various veteran organizations to which he belonged. The reverse of the badge is inscribed "Major/A.P. Davis/born at Gardiner/Maine/May 10./1835". 



Above: A.P. Davis Badge

## View Bullets

by Rance Hulshart

Recently I came across an ad in a 1909 Gettysburg souvenir booklet which I feel will be of interest to our members. George W. Chritzman, 23 Chambersburg St., Gettysburg, PA, a jeweler and optician, advertised "view bullets" for sale. Note the term that was used is "view bullet" and not the currently popular term "stanhope." I feel it necessary at this point to mention that according to "Webster's Dictionary" the term "stanhope" refers to a light, open, one-seat carriage named after Fitzroy Stanhope, an English clergyman for whom it was made. How the term "stanhope" became associated with the view bullets is unknown to me and unless evidence is provided to the contrary I feel they should start being called by their period name "view bullet." [Note: Today the term "stanhope" refers to any usually small souvenir item (envelope openers, pocket knives, pens, etc.) that containing a miniature view

or "peep show." When viewed closely against a light the tiny scene is magnified and becomes visible. - Dave.]

View bullets were made by drilling a precise hole into a Civil War bullet and then inserting a magnifying glass piece that encloses a miniature view. When held to the light the subject comes into view.

Several of the examples that I own include ~~the~~ marking "Made in France." It is my belief that these miniature views that are enclosed in glass were fabricated in France and subsequently sent to Chritzman (and possibly others) who then inserted them into the bullets.

All the views I have seen have been of Gettysburg except for one which was of Lookout Mountain. I have recorded the following views and urge other members to submit additional view titles to me to add to this list:

- Devils Den
- Va. State Monument
- Pa. State Monument
- Jennie Wade House
- Little Round Top
- Wheatfield
- Gettysburg Looking North
- Gen. Meade's Headquarters
- Gen. Hancock at Pickett's Charge
- Gen. Lee's Headquarters
- Second Days Battle
- First Days Battle
- National Cemetery.

Since the advertisement I recently saw appeared in a 1909 booklet, and since one of the view **bullets** was of the completed Pa. monument, I surmise that these view bullets were popular souvenirs in the 1909-1920 period.

[For those interested in making contact with other stanhope collectors here are some resources taken from "Maloney's (continued on page 8)

## History of the Daughters of the Union Veterans

by Rance Hulshart

This article contains a brief history of the first fifty years (1885-1935) of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the American Civil War, 1861-1865.

The idea of a daughters' organization was conceived on Memorial Day, May 30, 1885 by five school girls of Massillon, OH. They originally named themselves the "Order of Ruby Seal."

On June 20, 1885 fourteen charter members were mustered in by James N. Merwin of the Sons of Veterans. On December 12, 1885 the "Order of Ruby Seal" was incorporated with the assistance of Major (later President) William McKinley. This original group chose the name Massillon Daughters of Veterans until May 8, 1886 at which time a constitution for this new organization was drawn up and its name was changed to Mrs. Major McKinley Tent No. 1. In March, 1888 another Tent was organized and in June, 1890 a National body was organized. Each state having the required number of Tents becoming a Department. Tents were to be named after an Army nurse or some loyal woman from the period 1861-1865. Within Departments the numbering of Tents began with #1 and increased numerically as new Tents were formed. No Tent within a Department was permitted to use either the same name or the same number as another Tent.

The original name of this organization was National Alliance of Daughters of Veterans. Some sources include "Of the United States of America" at the end of the original name. Upon the urging of the G.A.R., its name was changed to "Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, 1861-1865" at the National Convention held in Grand Rapids, MI in September, 1925. [Does anyone know when "Inc." was added?]

The Daughters first National

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FINE REPAIRING

Convention was held at Quincy, IL in June, 1890 with twelve Delegates present representing the 194 members. E. Estella McMillan was elected as the first National President. The second National Convention was held in Massillon, OH. Starting in 1892 and each year thereafter their National Con-

vention was held at the same location and in conjunction with the G.A.R. National Encampment.

The Daughters were first officially recognized by the G.A.R. as an Allied Order at the 1900 34th National Encampment in Chicago. The illustration to the left shows their first member-

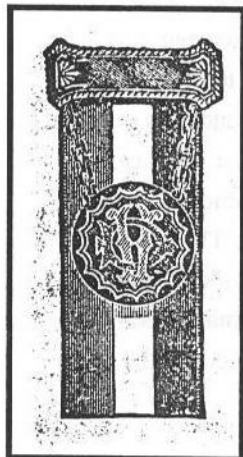
ship badge which was proposed September 26, 1885. This badge was used until 1927 when it was changed to that shown in the illustration to the lower left. In 1934 a building was purchased in Washington, DC to be used as National Headquarters. The building was located at 1326 18th St., NW, Wash-

ington. [Does anyone know if this building is still in existence? If so is it open to the public? Who are its current occupants? I am aware that the D.U.V. museum is located at 503 South Walnut Street in Springfield, IL. Did the Illinois museum replace the DC building as Headquarters, or is one still the National Headquarters and the other

a museum?]

Eligibility for membership in the Daughters of Union Veterans is through lineal descent. Membership is only open to females 15 years old or older whose ancestor was an honorably discharged Civil War Soldier, Sailor or Marine.

[All information for this article was obtained from the Journal of the 45th D.U.V. National Convention Journal, Grand Rapids, MI, September, 1935.]



# Schedule

## OF ★ EVENTS

The shows below are listed only because publicity for them was readily available to the editor. To insure a complete listing, please submit show information to Secretary Rance Hulshart at the earliest possible time. This listing is for Civil War and CW veteran related shows and activities only. The CWWHA cannot vouch for the quality or size of any show listed. Always call ahead first before attending any listed event.

Feb. 27-28: North Carolina CW Show, Holiday Inn, Historic Salisbury, Sat. 9-5 and Sun. 9-4

Feb. 27-28: Tennessee CW Show, Creative Arts Center, Memphis Fairgrounds, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4

March 6-7: North Carolina CW Show, Elks Club, 3340 Silas Creek Parkway,

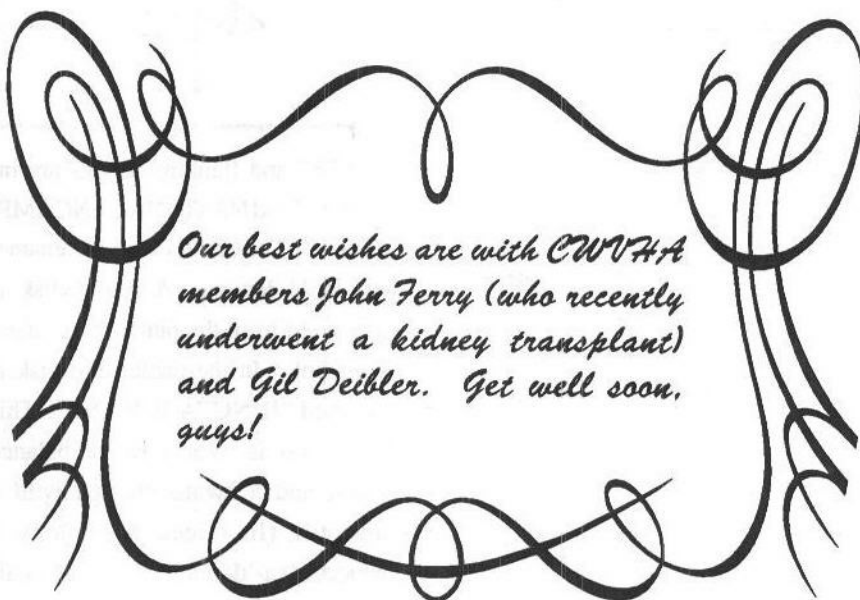
Winston-Salem, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4  
March 27: Virginia CW Show, Armory, Routes 1 and 3, Fredericksburg, VA 9-5

March 27-28: Georgia CW Show, Georgia State Farmers Market Exhibit Hall, 10 miles south of Atlanta, Sat. 9-5, Sun. 9-4

April 3: Virginia Relic & Book Show, Kena Shrine Temple, 9001 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax, 9-5

April 24-25: Virginia CW Show, State Fairgrounds, Richmond, Sat. 9-4, Sun. 9-3

May 1-2: Ohio CW Show and CWWHA Annual Encampment, Mansfield, OH. See article elsewhere in this issue for all the details.



## View Bullets

(continued from page 6)

Antiques & Collectibles Resource Directory"- Dave:]

Howard Melnick (Collector)

717 S. 8th St.

Lebanon, PA 17402

Phone: 717-274-8666

Wants to buy stanhopos or "peephole" knives and other implements.

T.A. Coppens (Collector)

1057 Forest Lakes Dr.

Naples, FL 33942

Little novelty viewers with peep holes showing scenes, Lord's Prayer, etc.; found in letter openers, pipes, souvenir trinkets, knives, etc.; wants to buy; send description and price with SASE.

Mike & Gladys Kessler (Collector)

25749 Anchor Circle

San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675

Phone: 717-661-3320

Donald Gorlick (Collector)

P.O. Box 24541

Seattle, WA 98124

Phone: 206-824-0508

Wants tiny viewers made of bone or metal sometimes found in crucifixes, pens, letter openers, needle holders, etc.

Lucille Malitz (Dealer)

P.O. Box KH

Heathcote, NY 10583

Phone: 914-636-3367

## Badge Descriptions

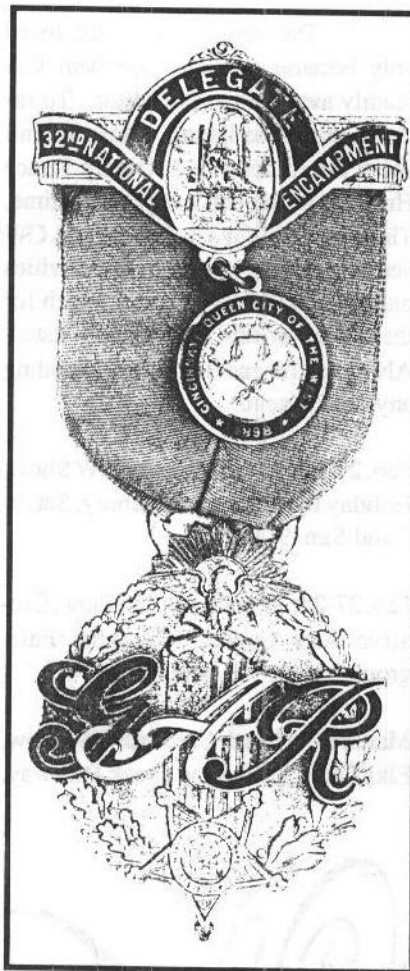
### 1898 32th National Encampment Delegate's Badge Cincinnati, Ohio

Drawing and Description by  
Pres. Dennis Loba

Made by G.G. Braxmar (as was the 1897 Delegate's Badge featured in the last issue of "The VET-


ERAN"), the 1898 Delegate's Badge (see below) was a finely made badge like the 31st National Encampment Delegate's badge.

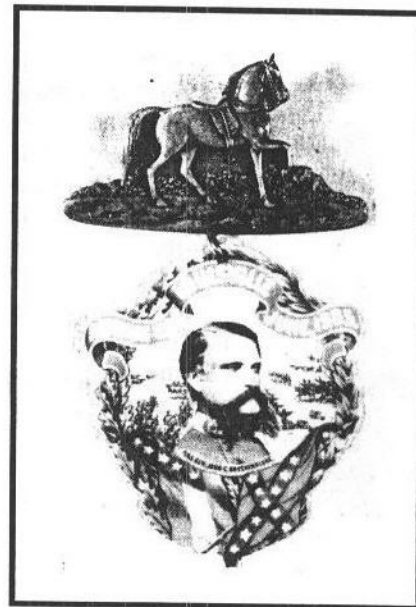
The top pinbar is of gold-washed bronze and centers an oval disk displaying the Cincinnati Soldiers Monument at its center. The scroll above the disk is inscribed "DEL-



EGATE" and flanking scrolls are inscribed "32nd NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT". The scrolls are blue enamel with gold letters. A round disk is suspended from the pinbar by a single chain link. In the center, the disk is inscribed "JUNCTA JUVANT". This Latin term is over a set of balance scales, and a sword crossed with a caduceus (In Greek mythology a caduceus (ka-'doo-sus) is a winged staff

with two serpents twined around it and was carried by Hermes. A similar staff is used as a symbol of the medical profession.) The disk is circumscribed "Cincinnati Queen City of the West 1898". Also from the pinbar hangs a ribbed gold back ribbon. From the ribbon hangs a gold washed bottom drop. The drop centers the GAR badge under a rising sun surrounded by an oak leaf wreath - all behind the attached script letters "GAR" which are in red, white and blue enamel. The reverse of the drop is plain except for the maker's inscription "G.G. Braxmar, 10 Maiden Lane, New York" stamped at the bottom.

[Note: A "Tip 'O The Hat" to anyone who can explain the meaning of the drop that is suspended from the top pinbar, i.e. "JUNCTA JUVANT", scales, crossed sword and caduceus. - Editor] 



The above 1905 Louisville UCV Reunion Badge has a metal top suspension bar depicting a riderless horse. It supports a celluloid badge depicting a battle scene, a likeness of Maj. Gen. John C. Breckenridge, and crossed Confederate flags. Maker's mark "W&H & Co." Submitted by Marshall Brighenti.

Welcome, G. A. R.

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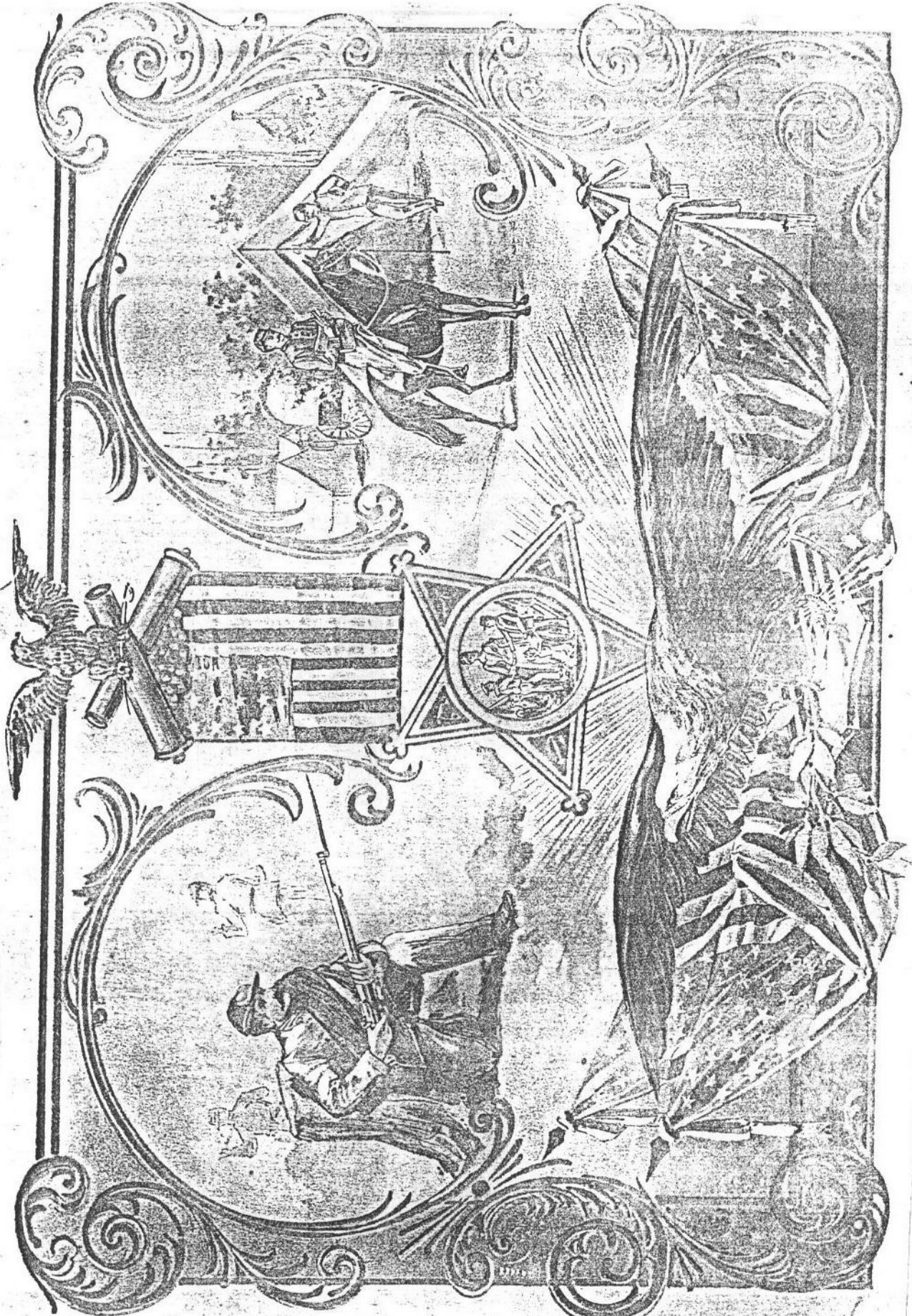
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OAK HALL,

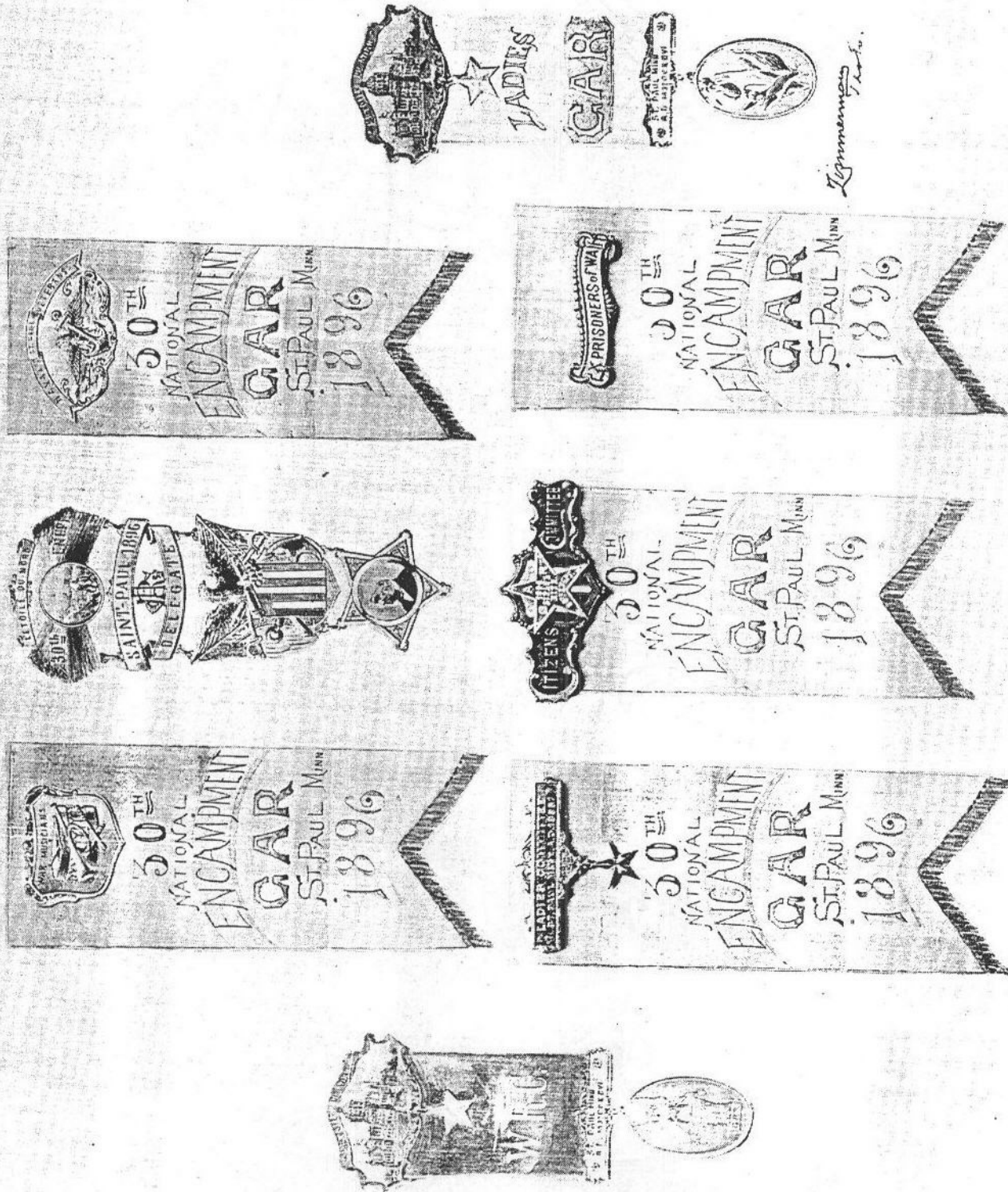
Sixth and Market Streets

PHILADELPHIA

September, 1899



Illustrated above is a multi-colored celluloid place mat given or sold by Wanamaker & Brown at the 33rd National Encampment held in Philadelphia in 1899. Submitted by Marshall Brighenti

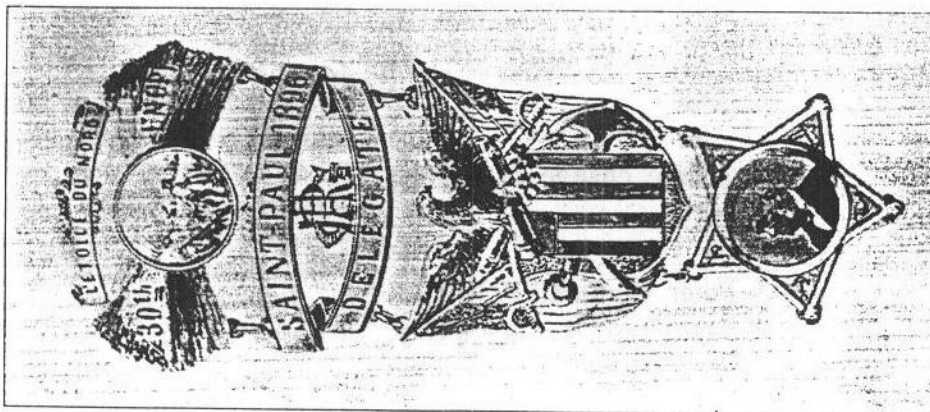


BADGES FOR THE ENCAMPMENT.  
 (Photographed by Zimmerman.)

Illustrated above are official badges for the 30th National Encampment held in St. Paul, MN in 1896. Starting at 9 o'clock and going clockwise: WRC, MUSICIANS, DELEGATE, NAVAL, LADIES GAR, EX-POW, CITIZENS COMMITTEE, LADIES COMMITTEE. Submitted by Moe Olson.

# BADGES AND SOUVENIRS.

It has grown to be a pleasant custom of the citizens' committees in cities where the National Encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic are held to furnish an appropriate badge to each delegate, and other badges for delegates to the subsidiary and auxiliary organizations which assemble at the same time and place. The "delegate badges" for the G. A. R. comrades are naturally the masterpieces of local taste, ingenuity, and generosity. They are intended to have a special local significance, either in design or material, or both. One badge is presented to each delegate, and is his certificate of admission at the door, as a member of the encampment. A collection of these badges, as preserved by delegates from year to year, has become a valuable and curious museum of interesting souvenirs. Boston presented a badge consisting of a silver pin in the form of a codfish, pendant from which was a "hub," which opened in halves, displaying medallions of her war heroes. Columbus, Ohio, presented a pendant, consisting of a copper buckeye, which opened in like manner and showed silver medals within.

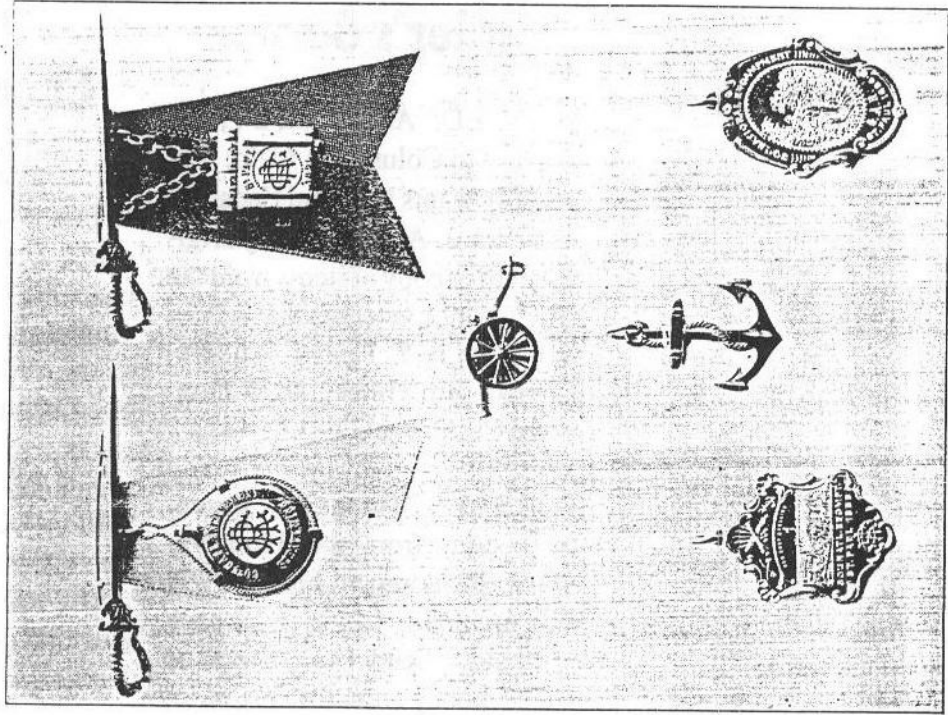


DELEGATE BADGE.

Saint Paul presents the beautiful delegate's badge delineated on this page. It is the insignia of the Grand Army of the Republic, draped with the national flag, pendant from a pin embossed with Minnesota products. On the star is a profile in relief of Minnesota's

war governor, Alexander Ramsey. The metal is native Minnesota copper.

The other badges and souvenirs, representations of which are presented herewith, are each of appropriate design. Minnesota copper is used in all of them, except the star of the Citizens' Committee pin is of aluminum, and the Ladies' Committee pin is of sterling silver. This latter, as well as the badges for the ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Woman's Relief Corps were designed by the Saint Paul Ladies' Committee.



ENCAMPMENT SOUVENIRS.

Illustrated above are official badges and souvenirs from the 30th National Encampment held in St. Paul, MN in 1896. Submitted by Moe Olson.

## Museum Project Underway

CWVHA Sec. Rance Hulshart has initiated a project to assemble information about museums and historical societies that hold Civil War veteran related artifacts and/or research material. Such a database of information will be invaluable to researchers and scholars. Rance has asked all CWVHA members to help in gathering information on specific locations. For each museum or historical society, please submit to Rance as much of the following as can be obtained:

- name of the museum
- mailing address
- phone number
- point-of-contact
- hours of operation
- brief description of the veteran-related collections
- brief description of the facility and its history

Rance would like to feature one or two of these resources in each issue of "The VETERAN." Such information would be invaluable to our members, many of whom do research and would like to visit the sites. Please make the effort to submit your entries to Rance at your earliest convenience.

Rance also noted that he is still attempting to compile a list of Post roster booklets. Approximately 30 have been submitted so far by six of our members, but there is still a long way to go. Many members have requested help in researching whether an individual belonged to a particular Post. Such basic research would be greatly facilitated if there was a more comprehensive inventory of Post rosters. Please check your files and see if there are rosters that you can photocopy and send to Rance. This project will be invaluable to our members in the future, so please make every effort to help.

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## Sutler's Corner

**WANTED:** Any GAR, SV, etc. relating to Columbus, Ohio. Especially wants National Encampment items. Also wants any original item or copy of items from the Civil War or veterans that relates to the 5th N.Y. Heavy Artillery. Contact Jim Hilton, 4039 Dogwood Ct., Grove City, OH 43123.

**FOR SALE:** Three GAR souvenir spoons from the 32nd National Encampment held in 1898 in Cincinnati, Ohio. \$18 each postpaid. Send bank check of postal money order to Ron Erwin, 8 Flamingo Dr., Rochester, NY 14624. ✍

## Welcome to Our New Members

#185 Larry Thompson, 112 E. Beltline S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49506 (616) 949-0437 GAR Dept. of Michigan

#186 Ross Dent, 62 Hansen Dr., Vernon, CT 06066 (203) 871-1552 GAR, SV, WRC, Loyal Legion, L of GAR

#187 George Kane, 11 Hartley St., Springfield, MA 01104-1119 (413) 737-3440 GAR, UVL, UVU, WRC, SV, L of GAR

Please note change of address for:

#15 Peter Coulton, 1930 Carriage Crest Dr., Carson City, NV 89706 (702) 882-4800

## Postcard Checklist Offer

For those of you who have an interest in Memorial Day postcards, I have available for \$3 a checklist of such cards listed by publisher, year, and individual cards. Although this is a very good beginning, I am sure more cards are to be found. Also, minor corrections will need to be made. Overall, I feel you will find it a very valuable resource. Please make your check out to Rance Hulshart, 4000 Old Orchard Rd., York, PA 17402. ✍



Above. 1907 two-piece UCV Reunion Badge. The top suspension bar is inscribed "VETERAN/ U.C.V./ RICHMOND, 1907". The bottom drop is circumscribed "TO JEFFERSON DAVIS. PRESIDENT OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA". The drop centers a depiction of the Jefferson Davis Monument in Richmond, VA. Manufactured by Whitehead & Hoag, Co. Submitted by Marshall Brighenti.