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*"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 now a new year and also time to start planning to attend our annual National Encampment which will be held in conjunction with the Ohio Civil War Show in Mansfield, Ohio. It is being held once again at the Fairgrounds from April 29 through May 1, 1994. Last year over forty members made the trip, and I believe a great time was had by all — trading, buying, selling, and

exchanging information. Our dinner/business meeting will be held once again at the Comfort Inn Banquet Room on Saturday evening. We are looking for a volunteer to present that evening's program, so if you feel inclined please contact Rance Hulshart or myself. We will be printing more details on the Encampment in the next issue of "The VETERAN".

On another important note, I recently spoke with our past-secretary, Marshall Brightenti, and he told me that his doctors have finally determined that he has a liver ailment. Apparently it's serious enough that he will probably need to have a transplant. He is doing OK and I know all of you will join me in wishing him and his wife, Julieann, well during this time of trial for them.

Remember — now is the time to start planning to attend our annual Encampment at Mansfield!

*Left. Want ad seeking information about Rev. Lovering. Contact Dennis Loba if you can help.*



REV. J. F. LOVERING

## WANTED!!

Any information on:

Rev. Joseph F. Lovering's  
(Chaplain-in-Chief, G.A.R., 1876-1881)  
"Grand Army of the Republic  
Membership Badge Presentation"  
Address — written for when new comrades  
were presented their membership badges  
upon joining the G.A.R.  
Please contact: Dennis R. Loba

# HOT NEWS

8th Annual CWWHA Encampment  
Mansfield, Ohio

April 29, 1994 - May 1, 1994

See Inside for details!

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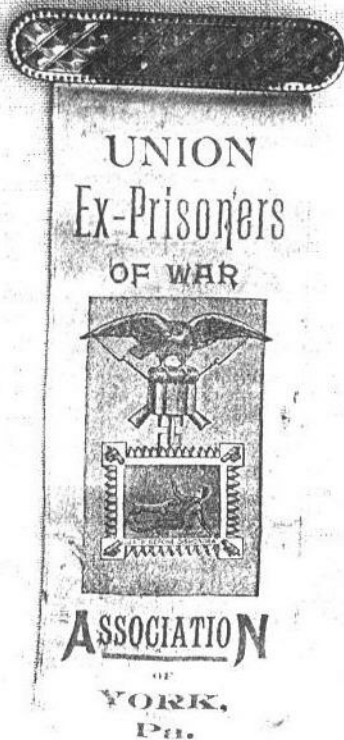
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Illustrated above is a cast iron, bronze-washed doorstop designed specifically for use by G.A.R. members. Including the base, it is 9 1/2" tall and features a fully-equipped Union soldier wearing his "great coat" and standing at ease. The reverse is wedged-shaped in order to stop the door. Also, the soldier is tilted forward so that the door does not strike it. Note the blank area at the foot of the soldier. Most likely this space was for the engraving of some information of the owner's choice such as a Post name, the owner's name, etc. Submitted by Jim Thurston.



Illustrated to the left is an Ex-POW Association of York, PA ribbon. Any POW items are very desirable, but for me having one from my hometown is just overwhelming. This ribbon came from the effects of Corporal Charles Augustus Laumaster, Co. A 87th PA (the 87th was made up of mostly York County men.) Laumaster mustered in on Sept. 11, 1861, was a prisoner of war at Andersonville, Libby, and other prisons from July 19, 1864 to Feb. 21, 1865. He was discharged on April 1, 1865. Laumaster was born on Dec. 24, 1839, died on July 30, 1905 and is buried in York, PA at Prospect Hill Cemetery, West Manchester Twp., Sec. R, Lot 72. Something perhaps a member could help me out with is the fact that the ribbon states "of York, Pa.". Did the National Association allow for individual branch associations in various towns? If so, what were their requirements? Please submit any information to me for publication in a future issue of "The VETERAN". - Rance Hulshart



Illustrated above is a 15" high, cast iron match holder. Note the two acorns at the bottom to hold the wooden matches. Also, the hole below the letters "GAR" for attaching to the wall. The horseshoe is surrounded by cut-outs of union corps badges.



Above. Sons of Confederate Veterans Reunion Badge inscribed at the top "Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Mississippi" and "The Magnolia State". From the red and white ribbon inscribed "DELEGATE" hangs a drop depicting a sailing vessel and circumscribed "40th Annual Confederate Reunion / Biloxi, Miss. / S.C.V. / June 3, 4, 5, 6 1930" - submitted by Marshall Brighenti

## 1906: Vets Reunite at Brandy Station

Submitted by David Maloney

"In August 1906, there was held at Brandy a joint reunion of the survivors of the famous cavalry battle of Fleetwood Hill. That is, it was intended to be a joint reunion. History tells us that on the memorable day of June 9, 1863, the Yankees far outnumbered the Rebels. Popular tradition has it as high as twenty-to-one, but this is a great exaggeration.

"Be that as it may, on the day of the reunion, the Rebels

outnumbered the Yankees by many, many times. For among the hosts assembled that day only one Yankee could be found. A temporary stand had been erected, and several famous speakers had poured forth their eloquence to the delight of the crowd, among them Colonel Robert E. Lee, grandson of the great commander.

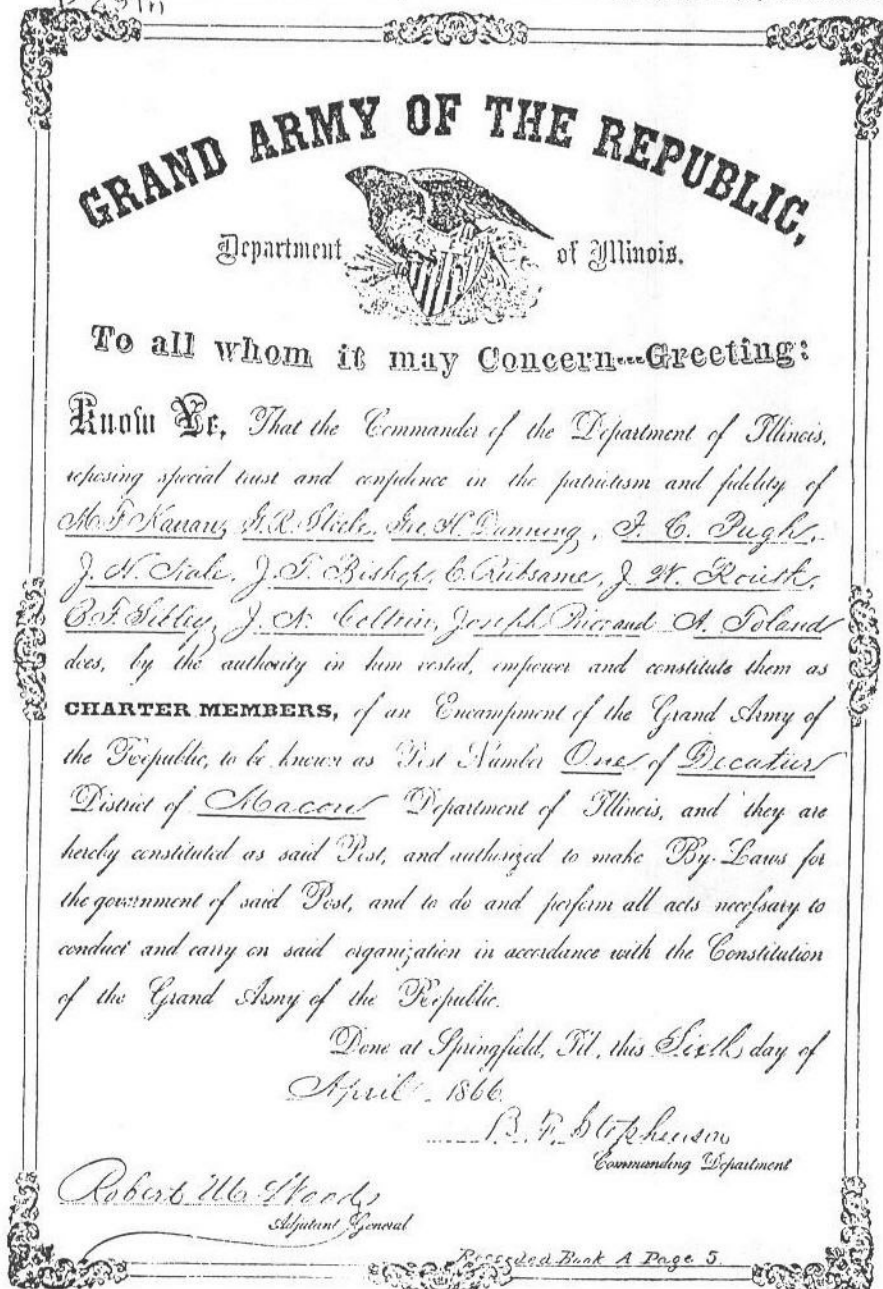
"As the festivities were drawing to a close, the lone Yankee was called to the stand. Apparently a very modest man, he did not wish to make an address. But the Confederates were determined that he should say something. They literally dragged him to the stand. After a moment of confusion came the following address: "Comrades, if I

may call you such, I desire to say that this is the second time that I have visited Brandy, and each time I experienced a warm reception."

"The most eloquent address ever delivered could not have delighted the old Confederates more than this one sentence, and, as they eagerly crowded around the speaker to grasp his hand, it was difficult to tell which experienced the greater pleasure, the lone Yankee or his former enemies.

[Source: The Little Fork Ringers: A Sketch of Company D 4th Virginia Cavalry, by Woodford B. Hackley, 1927. (History of the unit founded by Robert Edwin Utterback, Major, Cavalry, A.N.V.)]

Reduced Fac-Simile of Charter Original Post No. 1.—Copyright, 1890, by G. R. Steele.



Left. Facsimile of the Original Charter of Decatur Post #1 presented to attendees of the 1890 Boston National Encampment.

were 7,175 total posts (6,771 active) throughout the country comprising 45 states. Thereafter, a steady and progressive decline in the membership meant the eventual demise of the organization as more and more members "went over to the great encampment on the other side."

At the 24th National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic held in Boston August 11-16, 1890, only six of the twelve original charter members of Decatur Post #1 survived. Two were present at the Boston Encampment.

All veteran participants at this encampment were given a facsimile of the charter of Post #1 (see photocopy above left) and extracts of minutes of the meet-

## The Hall That Almost Was

by Howard Siglag, MD

In the year of Benjamin Franklin Stephenson's death (1871), the Grand Army of the Republic was in disarray. There were "skeleton posts" scattered

about and many departments ceased to exist. Of the 171 posts organized in the state of Illinois alone, 170 were already defunct in 1871 including Decatur Post #1!

However, by the year 1890, the GAR was at its zenith. There were 458,230 total members (427,981 active) and there

ings of the post. It is interesting to note that this facsimile was copyrighted by Capt. George R. Steele, one of the surviving charter members of Post #1. (Steele became treasurer of Macon County, Illinois where he died at the age of 60 in 1897. He's buried in Decatur.)

A proposition was pre-



DISTANCES FROM DECATUR.

Chicago,	- - -	174	St. Louis,	- - -	108
Detroit,	- - -	370	Kansas City,	- - -	339
Toledo,	- - -	323	Hannibal,	- - -	140
Indianapolis,	- - -	153	Quincy,	- - -	151
Columbus,	- - -	327	Keokuk,	- - -	151
Cincinnati,	- - -	262	Burlington,	- - -	173
Louisville,	- - -	263	Dubuque,	- - -	252
Evansville,	- - -	170	St. Paul,	- - -	551
Nashville,	- - -	325	Omaha,	- - -	470
Chiro,	- - -	204	Council Bluffs,	- - -	470
New Orleans,	- - -	755	Minneapolis,	- - -	558

sented at the 1890 Boston Encampment by the Department of Illinois to erect a Grand Army of the Republic National Memorial Hall in Decatur, the birthplace of the Order. This hall was to perpetuate the history of the GAR, preserve its records, collect mementoes, and guard them for future historians. It was to be con-

sidered "a Temple of Patriotism", "a storehouse of records and mementoes", and "a museum of loyalty."

The presenting committee felt that Decatur should be the chosen location because "1) Lincoln split rails ... in Decatur, 2) Grant's regiment was formed and mustered in Decatur, 3) The first

Left. Map showing Decatur as centrally located to major population areas of the U.S. Presented as part of the argument to build the National GAR Memorial Hall in Decatur.

Grand Army Post was formed in Decatur, 4) The Grand Army Ritual was written in Decatur, 5) The name, Grand Army of the Republic, was bestowed in Decatur, and 6) the idea of a Memorial Hall originated in Decatur."

The National Memorial Hall Committee, composed of 16 members including two survivors of Decatur Post #1 (George P. Steele previously mentioned and Capt. Michael F. Kanan, three-term mayor of Decatur who died and was buried in Decatur in 1909 at the age of 71) defended their choice of Decatur because the city was centrally located with more than 4,300 GAR posts within 500 miles of Decatur and because more than 50%

of the population of the United States lived within 500 miles of Decatur. Included with the proposition was a map of Decatur documenting railroad facilities and mileages (see photocopy above left).

This committee felt that funding should be made through contributions "by the soldiers of

the Union". A 25 to 50 cent yearly contribution for four years should be "no hardship" to the membership and would create a fund more than sufficient for the purpose. (Fifty cents x 400,000 members or \$200,000 yearly for four consecutive years would most definitely have been a tidy sum!)

An April 6, 1891, the date of the silver anniversary of the formation of the Grand Army of the Republic, the Illinois Department of the GAR held its state encampment in Decatur "with the hopes of laying the cornerstone of the National Memorial Hall". This dream never came to fruition.

The idea of having a repository for all the memorabilia and mementoes both personal and organizational from the Grand Army of the Republic would have been an incredible resource today. The hall that almost was - - wasn't -- and historians and researchers are poorer in their complete understanding about the GAR. Why the 1890 National encampment never undertook this very worthy project will probably never be understood.

## 8th Annual C.W.V.H.A. Encampment 1994

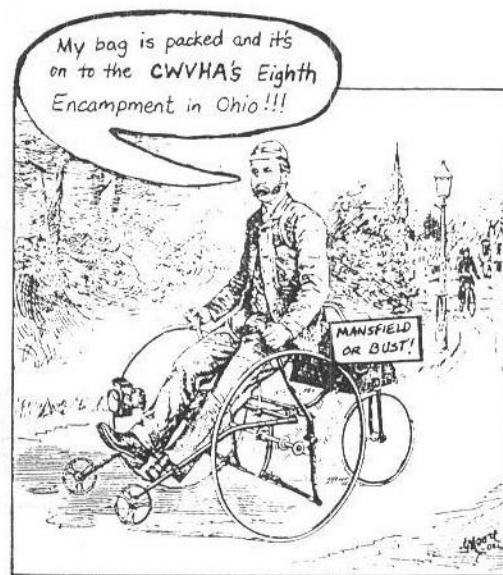
Our C.W.V.H.A 8th annual encampment which is scheduled to be held at Richland County Fairgrounds located in Mansfield, OH is quickly approaching and it is not too soon to start making

plans. Listed below is a brief schedule of weekend activities along with a map of how to get to the show and to the C.W.V.H.A dinner meeting. All members and guests are urged to attend. If you like veteran collectibles, this is a show that you must not miss! The amount of material on display and for sale, and just friendly and knowledgeable conversation with fellow collectors is not to be found in such abundance at any other location.

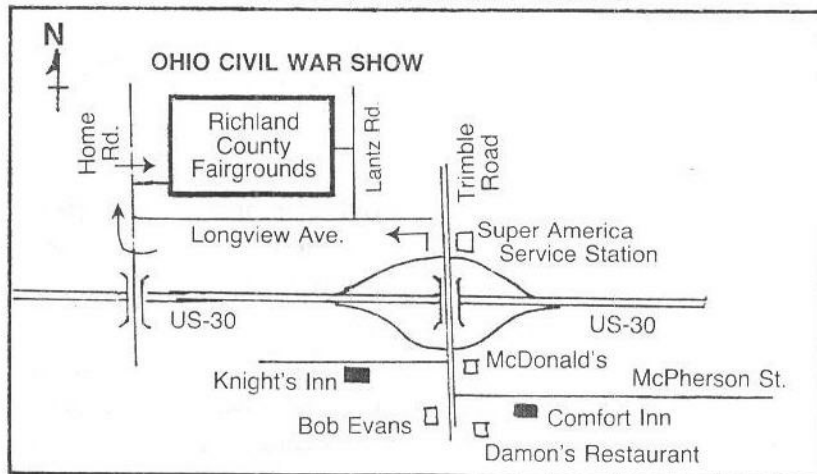
The C.W.V.H.A will have a special registration table set up for our members in the GAR section of the show. Please stop by and register and visit for a

while.

At this point no guest speaker has been lined up to talk after our annual dinner meeting. If you are interested in giving a presentation, please contact one of the club officers. For more details concerning obtaining a table, lodging, etc. contact Don Williams, 1083 Oak Hill Circle, Ashland, Ohio 44805, phone 419-289-3120.



Trimble Road Exit Details



Above. Map to Richland County Fairgrounds - site of the 8th Annual C.W.V.H.A Encampment, April 29 - May 1, 1994.

CWVHA 8th Annual Encampment Schedule of events:

Fri. April 29, 1994

3pm-9pm Table set-up.  
Exhibitors only.

9 pm Informal get  
together for members and  
guests for refreshments  
and conversation, location  
to be announced.

Sat. April 30, 1994

7am-9am Table set-up.  
Exhibitors only.

9am-5pm Show time.

6:30 pm Start gathering for  
the CWVHA dinner  
meeting, Comfort Inn.  
Catered by Damon's  
restaurant which is next  
door. Tentatively an  
entree choice of barbecued  
ribs or chicken cordon  
bleau will be offered. The  
cost will be approximately  
\$15 per person. Meeting  
and program will follow.  
To insure getting a meal,  
send your \$15 to Howard  
Siglag as soon as possible.

Sun. May 1, 1994

9am-3pm Show time.



*Above. Commander-in-Chief Major William Warner.*

## **GAR Commander-in-chief Maj. William Warner 1888-1889**

Submitted by Dennis Loba and Dave Klinepeter. Sources: "History of the GAR", Beath, 1888 and "National Encampment Journal GAR, 1917", Boston, Mass.

Major William Warner, Commander-in-Chief, was born in Lafayette County, Wisconsin in June 11, 1839. His parents died before he was six years of age, leaving him to earn a living as best he could. He became a boy of all work, getting his education in the common schools while working for his board. In 1856 he was a student in the Lawrence University, at Lawrence, Wisconsin, then taught school in his native village for some three years, when, for one year, he attended the Michigan University.

He was active in securing recruits for Company C, 33rd Wisconsin Infantry, of which Company he was commissioned First Lieutenant. Before his regiment left the State he was made Adjutant. In 1863, he was promoted to the Captaincy of Company D, and commanded that company through the siege of

Vicksburg, securing special mention for his bravery. His regiment served in the Army of Tennessee. From October 1863 to September 1864 he served as Acting Assistant Adjutant General, 4th Division, 17th Army Corps. In the Red River Campaign, Captain Warner served on the staff of Brigadier-General T. Kilby Smith. In 1864 he was tendered by President Lincoln the appointment of Major of the 44th Wisconsin. He later served as Assistant Inspector-General from April 6, 1865 until he mustered out on either August 28, 1865 or September 2, 1865.

He located in Kansas City, October, 1865, taking an active part in public affairs, being elected City Attorney in 1867, Circuit Attorney for the counties Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Cass, Pettis and Saline in 1868, and Mayor of Kansas City in 1871.

In 1882 he was appointed the United States District Attorney for the Western District of Missouri. He was elected to the 49th Congress from the 5th District of Missouri by a majority of 1,500, the District at the previous election having given a majority of 4,000 to the party of his competitor. He was re-elected in 1886, and declined a renomination in 1888, and also the nomination for Governor. He twice received the votes of the members of his party in the Missouri Legislature for United States Senator and served Missouri as such from March 4, 1905 until March 4, 1911. His name was also submitted by President Taft to be a member of the Board of

Ordinance and Fortification which was confirmed at once in the Senate.

He organized and was Commander of the Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 4, Kansas City, and Department Commander, 1882-1883. Under his administration, the number of Posts was increased from 11 to nearly 200. He was elected Senior Vice-Commander-in-Chief at Denver in 1883, and was nominated for Commander-in-Chief at Minneapolis in 1884 by General Sherman in a very complimentary speech.

His election as Commander-in-Chief at Columbus was by a unanimous vote. Major Warner's last great work for the GAR was in connection with the 50th National Encampment held in Kansas City in 1916. He died at his home in Kansas City, MO on October 4, 1916.

"Whether as a citizen, a soldier, the mayor of the City, the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, or as a Representative and Senator in the councils of the Nation, he proved his self sacrificing spirit and won the confidence and esteem of all."

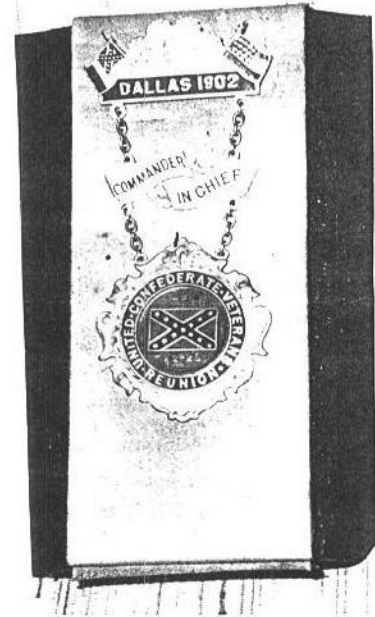
## New Members

#210 David Aeberli, 9372 Almar Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15237 - GAR, National, Dept Pa., W. Va., any Pittsburgh, Pa.

#211 Paul Romanelli, P.O. Box 338, Houlton, ME 04730, GAR, UCV, ME Regimental Items.

Please note the following address change:

#177 Chuck Morgan, RFD #1, Box 1275, Jay, ME 04239



Above. UCV Commander's Badge from the 1902 Dallas Reunion. With original leatherette case. Submitted by Miles Huskey.

## Secretary's Message

by Rance Hulshart

I hope all members Holidays were happy and that the coming year is a prosperous one. For any member with the inclination to write an article for our newsletter, the winter months afford an excellent opportunity. Our newsletter can only get as good as its members want it to be and is a direct reflection on all the membership. It is not too soon to start planning for our annual encampment. Details of this event are located elsewhere in this issue. I look forward to renewing old friendships and to making new ones.

## Upcoming Events

Feb 26, 27 Salisbury, NC  
Civil war Show, held at the  
Holiday Inn, Jake Alexander  
Blvd., Sat 9-5 and Sun 9-4

March 5,6 Winston-Salem,  
NC Civil War and Gun Show,  
held at the Elks Lodge, Sat 9-5  
and Sun 9-4

April 9 Fairfax, VA  
Civil War Memorabilia and  
Book Show with over 275  
tables, held at Kena Shrine  
Temple, 9001 Arlington Blvd.,  
Sat 9-5

April 30 thru May 1 17th  
Annual Civil War Show and  
8th Annual CWVHA Encamp-  
ment held at the Richland  
County Fairgrounds in  
Mansfield, OH (details located  
elsewhere in this issue.)

## Badge Description

### 38th National Encampment Delegate's Badge, 1904

article and illustration submitted by  
Pres. Dennis Loba

The 38th National Encampment's Delegate Badge (right) is composed of a gold-washed bronze top pinbar depicting the dome and top portion of the Massachusetts State House. This is flanked by oval disks containing the seals of both the State and the City of Boston. At the bottom of the pinbar is a scroll inscribed "Boston 1904".

A gold-washed bronze center section hangs from a single chain link on either side from the top pinbar. The center section is inscribed "REPRE-

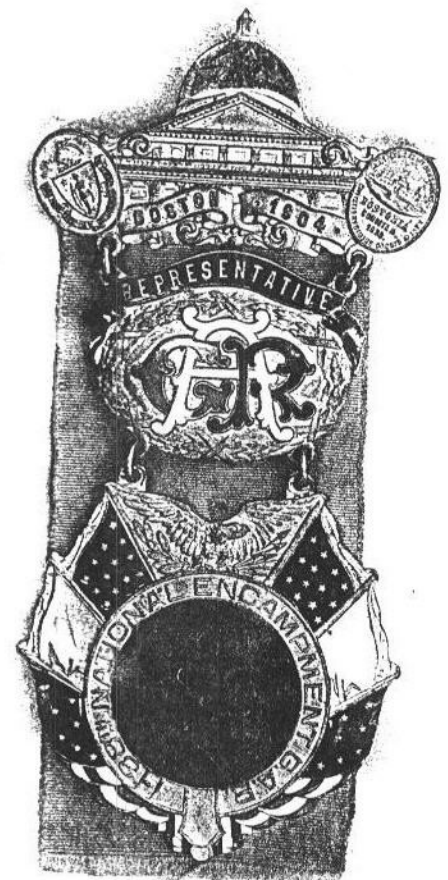


On page 9 of the November/December 1993 issue of "The VETERAN" there was illustrated an ad for "The Nelson Introductory G.A.R. Badge". Left is a cabinet card depicting a veteran wearing such a badge. Magnifying the original photo, the badge reveals that the subject is Color Sergeant C.J. Regan of Post 7 Charles Russel Lowell Post Boston, Mass. - Co. K, 19th Mass. The badge includes a 2nd corps drop. - Submitted by Dennis Loba.

SENTATIVE" at the top in gold letters on a blue enamelled scroll. Below and surrounded by a wreath are the intertwined letters "GAR" in red, white and blue enamel.

The bottom drop or pendant is suspended by one chain link on either side as well. It is once again of gold-washed bronze topped by an eagle with outstretched wings. The drop centers the chocolate bronze likeness of Commander-in-Chief John C. Black which is circumscribed "38th National Encampment G.A.R." Outside the circumscription are the National, GAR and State flags down each side. These flags are all enamelled in their respective colors of red, white, gold, and yellow (GAR Nat. Headquarters).

A ribbed "delegate gold" ribbon is folded over a bar on the top section of the badge. The reverse of the badge is blank except for its maker's name "J.K. Davison, Phila." on the pinbar section. **Special Note:** This delegate's badge was the first to bear the then GAR Commander-in-Chief's likeness. Later, it would become the GAR's standard practice to do so.



## Lee & Gantz Badge

by Rance Hulshart

A scarce badge, that only a few collector's are aware of the importance and significance of is the Lee & Gantz patent designation badge. This badge was introduced as an alternative to the popular ladder badges. Due to the scarcity of this badge it obviously never became popular with the veterans.

Illustration No. 1 is a copy of the 1887 patent records. Note that in Lee's original patent he intended for the area that the characters were affixed too, to be covered with fabric. Also note he intended to have either a facsimile or actual G.A.R. membership badge attached to the bottom. Perhaps he intended for the veteran to remove the eagle clasp from their membership badge and in its place attach his designation bar. One last item to note is the lack of stars around the border of the designation bar.

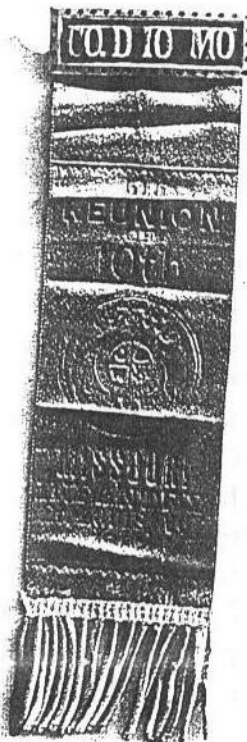
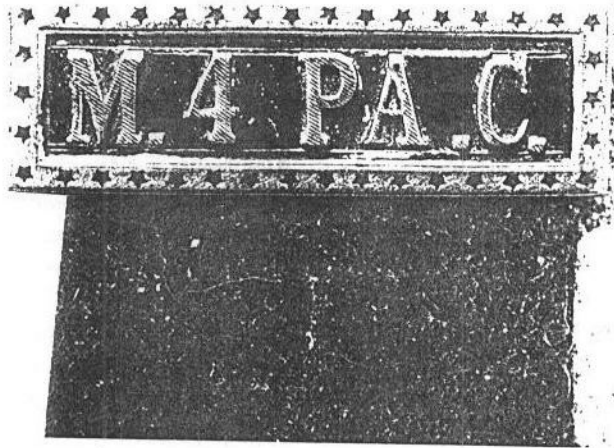
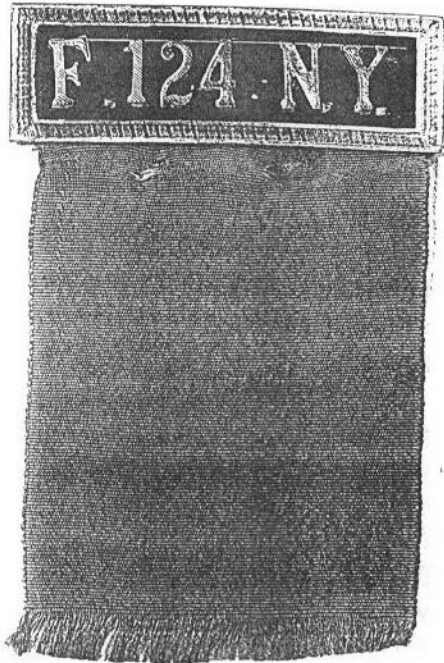
Illustrations No. 2 and 3 is an 1888 circular and insert sent to posts, etc. advertising his designation badge. Note some changes made since his original patent, such as an enameled field and thirty-eight enamel stars around the border. Also the first mention of Gantz as a partner.

Illustration No. 4 is some examples of actual badges. Note inconsistencies in all of the badges illustrated. Obviously veterans who purchased these had their own idea's on how they should be used. Examples are as follows: A) Co. F 124th New York. navy blue field is more of an enamel paint rather than true enamel, no star border, light blue ribbon sewn to a separate bar for this purpose on the reverse. Reverse marked PAT. MAY. 8. 1888. Originally attached to this ribbon by the veteran was a standard G.A.R. regular comrade badge of the 1884-85 style. The bar measures 18 X 57 Millimeters. B) The same as A except this is for the U.S. Navy and no ribbon is present although a bar is present on the reverse for this purpose. Same type of obverse field and reverse markings. The bar measures 18 X 57 MM. C) Co. M 4th Pa. Cav., this has blue enameled paint field and thirty-eight enamel five point stars around the border. Varies from the circular in that the ribbon is red with gold fringe at the bottom as opposed to the yellow ribbon as advertised. Reverse is marked PAT. APPLIED FOR. The bar measures 19 X 57 MM. D) Co. D 10th Missouri. this has blue enameled paint field and thirty-eight enamel five point stars around the border. Blue ribbon from 5th Reunion 10th Missouri Inf. held at St. Louis, Mo. in 1887 apparently added by the veteran. The reverse of the bar is marked PAT. APPLIED FOR and measures 19 X 57 MM.

In view of the available information there is no positive information at this time for variations of the pin bar as shown in the following chart:

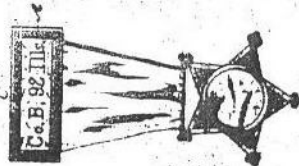
- 1) 1887 Patent, cloth field, no stars, reverse markings unknown
- 2) 1888 Circular, enameled field, star border, reverse markings unknown
- 3) Co. F 124th N.Y. and U.S. Navy, blue enamel field, no star border, Pat. May 8, 1888 reverse markings, Width 18mm
- 4) Co. M 4th Pa. Cav. and Co. D 10th Mo. Inf., blue enamel field, 38 star border, reverse marked PAT. APPLIED FOR. Width 19mm

Personally besides the listed examples I have observed this with Michigan and Illinois Regiments on the bars. I have not observed any with the red field and stars indicating artillery. Members, please submit states represented on badges in your collection to the editor for a future listing of all know states which are represented by this type of badge and also leave me know if you own an example with red stars and field. Also if you have a major variance in the reverse markings or style of badge, etc. please submit this information to share with all the members.



Above and left are illustrations 4A, 4B, 4C, and 4D - examples of Lee's Designation Badge. Below is illustration #1, a copy of the 1887 patent taken out by Lee for his designation badge. Please refer to Rance's article on the facing page and illustrations on the following page.

382,367. DESIGNATION-BADGE RICHARD H. LEE, Altoona, Dak.  
Filed June 1, 1887. Serial No. 239,957. (No model.)

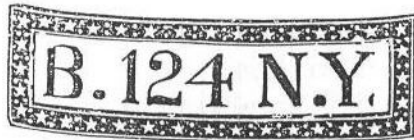


Claim.—1. In a badge, the combination, with the plate formed with suitable openings, of a layer of fabric covering the face of said plate, and characters provided with tangs adapted to pass through said fabric and the openings in said plate and to be clinched upon the rear face of the plate, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

2. The combination, with the plate B, having a frame, A, and formed with slots b, of the detachable fabric C, covering the face of said plate, and the characters D, provided with tangs d, adapted to pass through the fabric and the slots b and to be clinched upon the back of the plate, substantially as and for the purpose set forth.

RICHARD H. LEE,  
CO. B. 92 ILL. MT'D INF'Y

JOHN T. GANTZ,  
CO. F. 34 ILL.



MANUFACTURERS OF

# Lee's Patent Designation Badge,

—OREGON, ILLINOIS.—

The above cut represents our Designation Badge which we are manufacturing under Lee's Patent, granted November 11th, 1887. As the reunion season of the past year had about closed before the machinery for the manufacture of these badges was perfected, they were offered for sale at five places only in the United States since their introduction. This, together with an advertisement appearing in the *National Tribune*, one week only, created a demand for them wholly unexpected, and which we were unable to supply, as many comrades, who were unable to obtain badges, can testify.

In order to meet the increased demands of the coming season, we have adopted the plan of placing our circular in every Grand Army Post in the United States thus early, that every Comrade may have the opportunity of securing a badge of his Company and Regiment in advance of the reunion season, as it will be impossible while at these gatherings, to supply all who desire them; besides, we can do our work with greater satisfaction to all with skilled hands in the quiet of our office than through inexperienced agents in time of excitement.

Every delegate to the different State and Territorial Encampments should provide himself with one of these badges. The composition of the Badge and letters is brass, gold plated; the letters being securely attached and resting upon an enameled field. Thirty-eight hard enamel stars adorn the border.

Branches of service indicated as follows: Infantry,—blue stars, field and silk ribbon pendant. ARTILLERY—Red stars, field and ribbon. CAVALRY—Blue field, stars and yellow ribbon. MARINE—"U. S. Navy," with navy blue ribbon.

Price of Badge (sent post paid) fifty cents. Cash to accompany all orders. If the Badge does not prove satisfactory upon receipt of same, it may be returned and we will refund the full amount.

REFERENCE.—First National Bank, Oregon, Illinois.

YOURS IN F. C. & L.,

LEE & GANTZ.

Oregon, Ill., Jan. 1st, 1888.

COMRADE:

THE accompanying circular is sent you with request that it be read at your next Post meeting, at which time if you will take the order of those who desire a badge, and send same to us, we will allow you agent's commission, as follows: On order for five or ten, ten cents off on each badge, and on each badge in excess of ten, fifteen cents off. Price of badge, 50 cents, cash to accompany order. Remit by money order, bank draft, postal note or express order. Upon receipt of badges if unsatisfactory, return same and we will refund the full amount. If you have not the time to devote to this matter, please hand this circular to some worthy comrade who has.

REFERENCES, { First National Bank, - - - - Oregon Ill.  
Comrades Henry P. Lason, County Clerk, " "  
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## Featured Museum

by Rance Hulshart

This issue features the "Battlefield Military Museum" owned and operated by George Marinos. For those of you who have not visited this museum, you are in for a real treat. Recently he has utilized almost the entire first floor for displaying a vast amount of Civil War veteran items, most of which are GAR and related items. Included are some very unusual items which will delight any collector of this type of material.

I highly urge you to make a visit to this museum during your next trip to Gettysburg, Pa. The museum is closed from mid-November to May, so I suggest that prior to making a special trip you call ahead to 717-334-6568. There is a small admission charge. The museum is easily located at 900 Baltimore Pike in Gettysburg, Pa.

## For Sale

Frank Zottoli has a small GAR ribbon badge for sale. 1 1/4" dia. black and white celluloid pinback with 1 1/4" x 3" blue ribbon attached. Celluloid has some scratches and ribbon has some minor fraying at bottom. Depicts Frederick C. Holbrook, Civil War Governor from Vermont. Inscribed "66th Annual Encampment/GAR Dept. of Vermont/Brattleboro, VT/June 27, 28, 29 1933". Asking \$6 ppd. Contact Frank at P.O. Box 241, Holden, MA 01520-0241.