

The Same Rain Falls on Both Friend and Foe



THE CYCLORAMA

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Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



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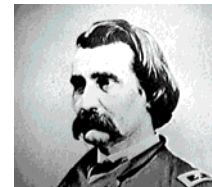
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Camp Commander's Message

On May 25, Memorial Day Sunday, NC Department Commander Elwell, Brothers



Farrell, France, Moore, and Junior Brothers Newhouse and Newhouse attended ceremonies at Raleigh National Cemetery where Commander Moore placed a wreath on the grave of an Unknown Union Civil War soldier

We had a relatively short all-business meeting on May 15 in which we discussed among other things the acquisition of a Camp Banner. Special thanks to all brothers who

visited high schools to present the SUVVCW ROTC awards. They will be mentioned by name in this issue of the newsletter. I hope you all enjoyed visiting high schools as much as I did.

In Fraternity, Charity, & Loyalty
Samuel Aaron Moore, Jr.
Camp Commander

Major General John A. Logan Camp # 4 Meeting Minutes for 5/15/2008

CALL TO ORDER

On May 15, 2008 Major General John A. Logan Camp #4 met at the Wake County Cooperative Extension Agricultural Building in Raleigh, NC. Commander Moore called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Brother Phillips gave the Invocation, after which Commander Moore led the camp in the American Creed and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those in attendance were:
Brother Thomas Bennett

Brother John France
Brother Daniel Hopping
Brother William Kraul
Commander Samuel Moore
Brother Edward Phillips
Brother Dennis St. Andrew
Brother Deane Teitelbaum

INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS

Commander Moore performed the initiation ritual for Brothers Thomas Bennett and William Kraul.

INDUCTION OF NEW OFFICERS

Commander Moore inducted three new officers: Brother Bennett as Guide, Brother Hopping as Signals Officer, and Brother Phillips as Counselor.

LAST MEETING MINUTES/ TREASURER'S REPORT

Brother France presented the minutes of the 3/13/2008 meeting and the Treasurer's Report as of 5/15/2008. Both were accepted without change.

Brother France reminded the members that the camp by-laws require the Commander to approve all expenses on behalf of the Camp before they can be reimbursed. Any voucher or request submitted to the Treasurer for reimbursement must include an approval from the Commander. The only exception would be funds allocated at a business meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Website

Brother Hopping announced the new website was operational and requested that anyone having information for the site send it to him.

NEW BUSINESS

July 4th

It was proposed that for the July 4th ceremonies and for future outings that our Camp purchases a banner and appropriate hardware. Brother Hopping in conjunction with Brother Farrell will be responsible for the artwork and working with a vendor. A maximum of \$350 was allocated for the project.

Award for Brother Motter

Commander Moore opened the discussion of recognizing Brother Kevin Motter for all his support. There was unanimous agreement. Brother France will prepare a certificate and provide the frame. The date for the award was not set.

Recognition for Rick Mullen

A proposal by Brother St. Andrew to express our camp's thank you to Rick Mullen was approved. Brother Phillips will prepare the verbiage for a certificate and Brother France will create the certificate and obtain a frame. It will be presented at the raffle drawing in

August.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION/OPEN DISCUSSION

Discussion on a Speaker at each Meeting

Consensus was that a speaker should be included whenever camp business would not require the meeting time (i.e. the November meeting when elections and installation of officers occur).

The members felt the length of time allocated to a speaker should be limited to 30 minutes for the presentation and a 15-minute Q&A session.

It was also agreed that the speaker be allocated a timeslot after the opening ceremonies rather than at the end of the meeting. Brother France will provide sample copies of various meeting configurations for Commander Moore's approval.

Raffle Status

Brother St. Andrew updated the raffle status and requested that anyone holding purchased tickets please turn them in.

Memorial Day Ceremonies

Commander Moore indicated he had been contacted concerning the Memorial Day Ceremonies. Brother France verified Camp Logan would be part of the wreath laying ceremonies. He would provide an email with information on the ceremonies and a map.

JROTC Awards

Brother France announced that the camp is in the process of participating in seven high school JROTC award programs this year. He and thanked the presenters.

BENEDICTION/ADJOURNMENT

Brother Phillips gave the Benediction after which Camp Commander Moore adjourned the meeting at 7:40 P.M.

Submitted in F, C, & L

Brother John France, Secretary/Treasurer

Major General John A. Logan Camp #4

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil

A Meteoric Rise

By Brother Bob Farrell

If you stand back and examine the facts you to will have to agree that the General John A. Logan Camp No. 4 has indeed had a meteoric rise. From a charter meeting on May 13, 2007 with only 7 members we have grown to 18 members and four junior members. That is impressive growth however it is only the tip of the iceberg.

What is above the waterline, the camp is growing, the camp is vibrant and a now the camp has been honored with its being nominated for the *Joseph S. Rippey New Camp Award*. Brother Kevin Motter has praised our actions to Commander in Chief Charlie Kuhn by stating – *“These brothers in a very short time, less than one year, have grown from seven brothers to eighteen, with another four pending application approval. In their*

first six months, they raised one thousand dollars for the purchase of a monument that was placed in Oakwood Cemetery as part of the identification of a misidentified Union soldier and the dedication of a new Union headstone “

Now, to what is beneath the waterline. Let's examine what is happening with little or no discussion nor attention.

Brother Russ has been asked by Commander in Chief Keun to serve on the national committee to recognize and commemorate the 50,000 Canadians who served the Union so well

We now find ourselves with eight of our members holding positions either elected or appointed, on the newly established North Carolina Division.

Brother Larry is actively working on the formation of the first SVR unit in North Carolina. And will be distinguished by the fact that it will honor those who served in the Union Navy

One of our members is working on a project to record and photograph every Civil War Veteran in the Raleigh National Cemetery. In addition every effort is being made to enhance the current information on that Veteran

Brother Saint Andrew has successfully begun a fund raiser to enhance our struggling treasury in order to undertake further endeavors favorable to the SUVCW

Brother Dan is currently developing a web site which in addition to keeping our membership informed will be a source of information for potential members. Experience shows that a majority of new members will receive their first exposure to the Logan Camp through the web site.

So by adding all this up you will find that we are actively participating in eight projects. I think you will agree that we are a pretty big iceberg.

On the other hand we have decided to cancel the public ceremony at Oakwood Cemetery for Private Jacob Pfeiffer after so few of our members replied to the Commanders request for a commitment to attend. This comes immediately on the heels of a very disappointing attendance at the Memorial Day Ceremony at the Federal Cemetery. There were four Brothers in attendance plus two Junior Members.

I wonder what these two teen ager's thought about their elders commitment to the single most important event in the Sons of Union Veterans calendar.

We are doing a lot of things right but we must realize that this is and must be a organization of results. There will be no Camp #4 if we are simply willing to attend a Bi monthly wearing our Kepi's

A New Feature
By Brother Bob Farrell

We are introducing what I hope will become a monthly feature of future **Cycloramas**

“Common Words of the 1860s”

I recently discovered a listing of words of the Civil War period words used in civilian and military life that might have meaning that might allude us or ones we simply do not relate too.

So to start this whole thing off we have two Civilian terms, but two only this initial month.

GIVE THE COLD SHOULDER - to snub another person. It came from times when a guests would overstay their welcome as house guests. To communicate that to their now-unwelcome guests, the host would not feed their guests a good, hot meal. Instead, they would serve their guests the least appetizing part of the animal - the shoulder - and serve it cold; hence, the "cold shoulder."

SLEEP TIGHT - a slang term meaning to "sleep well" that came as a reference to the bed itself. Rope beds were the predecessors of today's mattress and foundations. Wooden frames held ropes strung from side to side, end to end, in a continuous run of rope that served as the foundation. Straw or feather mattresses were laid on this rope network. With time and certainly with use, the ropes would loosen, and the bed would become increasingly uncomfortable; the bed then required the attention of a person with a "bed key" or "rope key" that was used to put tension back into the ropes - to tighten them.

And now for the Military terms

SHODDY - old woolen rags passed through a machine that reduced them to wool, then saturated with oil or milk, mixed with new wool, and then run into large shallow pans, partially dried, and then pressed between cylinders to make new cloth. The result looked good but lasted only a short time in the field. Many 1861 Union uniforms were made of shoddy.

SOLDIER'S HEART - a reference, possibly medical, to a condition not uncommon among troops that have seen the horrors of combat. It has gone by different names in different conflicts. In WWI, it was called "shell shock"; in WWII and Korea it went by the term "battle fatigue"; in Vietnam it was known as "PTSD" - Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. PTSD has been identified by written documentation to have existed for at least the last 4,000 years -back to the time of the armies of ancient Egypt's 11th Dynasty Pharaoh Mentuhotep I (c. 2060-2010 B.C.).

And if you enjoyed that then for the Prize. The Jeopardy Question* is:

XXXXX - a tall stiff cap, usually worn with a pompom or plume, a visor and a cap badge on the front.

* Let us hear your answer at our next meeting

By the way, I kind of collect these kinds of lists so if you ever have or will come across a medical term in your reading or research, I have an extensive listing that I would be more than happy to look up for you.

You, YouTube and Civil War

Brother Bob Farrell

I discovered something really neat recently and felt I needed to share it with you.

While at my son's house,(he has High Speed) he showed me something on YouTube, and after viewing it I asked him to leave the site up. I later typed in "Civil War" and much to my surprise up popped what turned out to be almost 150 videos on the Civil War. Needless to say I didn't watch them all but the seven or eight that I did, really excited me. Each and every one was professionally done and of equal quality to the History Channel "Civil War Journal." To name a few to whet your appetite, there was Joshua Chamberlain's defense of Little Round Top adapted and compressed from the movie "**Gettysburg**". Picketts Charge, Armastead's assault on the Copse of Trees to name but a few.

But what really excited me were three videos in particular, "**Brass Bands in the Civil War, Field Musicians in the Civil War and Fifes and Drums in the Civil War.**" Each of these topics receives little attention in our day to day reading which makes them well worth viewing. But to my interest was the fact that you were viewing, in my case, never before scenes of that period. Really amazing photos.

I found you can improve your viewing enjoyment when you make your selection, double-click on the image and you then will obtain a full-screen image making far more enjoyable viewing.

I hope you take my advice and spend a few minutes on YouTube. If you enjoy it as much as I did, please let me know

ROTC Cadets Awarded Medals

Brother Bob Farrell



The following are three reports from volunteers who relinquished their time to attend a local high school on the evening when the ROTC, (both Army and Navy) Awards were presented

This is the second year that Camp #4 has presented a medal on behalf of the Camp and the SUV. This year we more than doubled the medals presented.

The reason these presenters were requested to make a report is to demonstrate how meaningful these awards are to these young recipients. Additionally, it is obvious just how much pleasure that our people enjoyed their chore.

With that in mind it is hoped that you will become enthused and interested and will step

forward next year

Commander Sam Moore

On May 1 I went to Awards Day at Broughton High School and presented the SUVCW award to Cadet Travis Poole. On May 2 I went to the JROTC Awards Banquet at Riverside High School where I presented the SUVCW award to Cadet Carla Stokes, and on May 6 I went to the JROTC Awards Ceremony at Northern Nash High School where I presented the SUVCW award to Cadet Marque Rowland. Major Albritton told the audience that I am a 1974 graduate of Northern Nash.

Dennis St Andrews

Hello Brothers, Clayton High School ROTC: Winner of the SUVCW/ ROTC award was Miss Ashley Coats. Ashley will be the new Commanding Officer for the school's ROTC program for the next school year. There were award presenters from the American Legion, Sons of the American Revolution, Military Order of the Purple Heart and us of course. I think that the students in this program appreciated the fact that the various groups had sent representatives to attend their big awards ceremony and give out awards. I found out that none of the award winners had prior knowledge that they were receiving an award, so they were all in suspense during the entire ceremony. I spoke with Ashley after the awards ceremony and I asked her if she knew who the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War were and what they stood for. She apologized and said that she did not know of our organization. At that point I gave her a two page information sheet from the national website entitled "Introducing the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War".

Dan Hopping

I had the pleasure to accompany John France to the West Johnston High School in Benson on May 23rd to award the SUVCW ROTC medal to a young cadet. I was very proud of the military bearing of the cadets. And I was proud to be able to be a part of the ceremony. This privilege takes little time makes a big impression on the young cadets who are learning about the role of the military in preserving our freedoms.

The SUVCW definition of a deserving cadet is one that “***shows a high degree of patriotism to his/her Nation and has demonstrated a high degree of academic performance and leadership.***”

Bennett Place 2008

By Brother Bob Farrell

The weather on Saturday and Sunday April 26 -- 27 could not have been any better than what it was. On those two days the celebration of the 143rd Anniversary Surrender Commemoration was held at Bennett Place in Durham. The highlights of that day included the theater presentation "Dawn of Peace" the narrative film describing events of the surrender. In addition to camps for both Confederate and Union soldiers (reenactors), there was a living history reenactment at the Bennett home where General Breckenridge and General Joe Johnson, CSA, met to discuss terms of surrender with Union General William T. Sherman.

The culmination of the celebration occurred on Sunday at 2 PM when all participants met at the Unity Monument where John Gross, Director of the Bennett Place site, presented a few appropriate words. This was followed by a wreath laying ceremony in which Commander Sam Moore brought forward the JAL wreath and placed it before the Monument.

On both Saturday and Sunday the John A. Logan Camp manned an Information and Recruitment table. In addition to SUV literature, both Brother Dan Hopping and Dennis Saint Andrew had on display an assortment of relics, pistols and swords that not only attracted the attention of the youngsters but also most adults. At one time I recall seeing a crowd four deep intently listening to Brother Dan. Through the efforts of all but most especially Brother Larry we counted eleven inquiries an even more importantly we gained two members.

Part of our display addressed the fact that we were in the process of conducting a raffle of a Mort Kuntsler painting and as a result we were able to add to our ticket sales.

Not only did we have the biggest, most attractive, most interesting display those two days, we had the most members in attendance. All in all, it was a most successful adventure for the General John A. Logan Camp No. 4, Sons of Union Veterans.

First Encampment April 19, 2008 Minutes

The first encampment of the Department of North Carolina, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War met on Saturday, April 19, 2008 at the Bennett Place State Historic Site, 4409 Bennett Memorial Road, Durham, North Carolina, 143 years after General Joseph E. Johnston met General William T. Sherman at this place to surrender the Confederate forces of the Department of the West, thus ending the war south of Virginia and east of the Mississippi River.

The following brothers from our Camp presented their credentials:

Logan Camp #4

CC Samuel A. Moore, Jr.,
Delegate John R. France,
Delegate John R. Harman,
Delegate Roscoe E. Reeve,
Alt Delegate Robert D. Farrell,
Alt Delegate Daniel L. Hopping,
Alt Delegate Dennis C. St. Andrew

The credentials were inspected and approved by Brother Eugene G. Mortoff, National Aide-de-Camp to Commander in Chief Charles E. Kuhn, Jr. PDC. The delegates were seated.

CIC Kuhn opened the meeting. At his request the Rev. Thomas Rightmyer, PCC, offered prayer and led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Brother Kevin B. Motter led the recitation of the American's Creed.

CIC Kuhn called for the nomination of officers. Brother Motter nominated these Brothers:

Departmental Commander PCC Douglas P. Elwell
Senior Vice Commander PCC Richard D. Thomas
Junior Vice Commander PCC Yale W. Moores
Secretary PCC Thomas N. Rightmyer
Treasurer PCC Thomas N. Rightmyer
Council:

CC Samuel A. Moore, Jr.
CC Alonza Bryan Salter
Brother Kevin B. Motter

The Secretary cast a unanimous ballot to elect the other officers.

CIC then installed the elected officers. He then presented the Departmental Charter to DC Elwell.

He also presented a Meritorious Service Award to Brother Kevin B. Motter in appreciation for Brother Motter's efforts in planning the organization of the Department. That task took a number of months and many e-mail messages among interested brothers. It was truly a labor of love for our Order and our Department.

CIC Kuhn then closed the business meeting. He presented the gavel to DC Elwell.

The first Department Encampment of the Department of North Carolina was opened by DC Elwell, who made these appointments:

Patriotic Instructor - Donald Kropp
Graves Registration - Officer John Robert Harman
Historian - Wendell G. Small, Jr.
Civil War Memorials Officer - Kevin B. Motter
Eagle Scout Coordinator - Kenneth Travis Masters
Camp Organizer - Larry B. Blumatte
Guide - Dennis Charles St. Andrew
Guard - Robert D. Farrell
Flag Bearer - John R. France
Parliamentarian - Daniel Hopping
Counselor - Edward Phillips
Chaplain - Dr. Maurice Ankrom

The department approved the draft By-Laws as prepared and distributed by Brother Motter with one change - Article III Dues and Fees: The Department Per-Capita Tax of \$2.00 per Department member is to be submitted to the Secretary with the Camp Annual Reports by March 31 – not March 1 – as in the draft.

The department considered delegates to the national SUVCW encampment to be held in Peabody, Massachusetts, in the Boston area, August 7-10, 2008. Departments are

entitled to be represented by the Departmental Commander, any past Departmental Commanders, one delegate plus one delegate for each 25 members or major fraction thereof. This department is entitled to four delegates.

The department elected Brothers Kevin B. Motter, Donald Kropp, Senior Vice Commander PCC Richard D. Thomas, and Junior Vice Commander PCC Yale W. Moores to be delegates. DC Elwell is a member of the national encampment by virtue of his office.

We have 62 members in the North Carolina camps plus four members at large:

Ruger Camp #1	21 members
Gibbon-Burke Camp #2	8 members
Ellis Camp #3	5 members
Logan Camp #4	20 members
Union Volunteers Camp #5	8 members

At the suggestion of CIC Kuhn, the department elected as alternate delegates all members of the department. Any brother in the state who wishes to attend the national encampment can apply to the Secretary or to DC Elwell for credentials.

Professor Jay S. Hoar was introduced. He is the author of *The North's Last Boys in Blue*, available from the author at 248 Temple Road, Temple, Maine, 04984. Volume Two has recently been published; it costs \$80.00 including shipping.

On request the brothers present each spoke briefly about the ancestor whose service we honor.

The meeting was adjourned by DC Elwell with prayer by Brother Rightmyer.

JOHN J. KAUTENBERGER: A Brother's Ancestor

Brother William Kraul submitted this account of his ancestor.



John Kautenberger was born in Prussia (Germany) on October 24, 1833. His exact place of birth is unknown, however, there is a ship's record showing that his family claimed the town of Classen as their point of origin. This town is in the vicinity of Pirmasens in present-day Rheinland-Pfalz. The family arrived in New York in September, 1843 and reported that their inland destination was Chicago

On November 19, 1861, John joined Company H of the 52nd Illinois volunteer Infantry at Geneva, IL. He enlisted for a term of three (3) years and mustered in as Private. The enlistment record shows him standing all of 5 feet, 5 inches tall and having dark hair with dark eyes and a light complexion.

The 52nd Illinois was heavily involved at the Battle of Shiloh (TN/MS) in 1862. Shortly after, on November 7, 1862, John was promoted to corporal. He was promoted again on July 16, 1863, this time to Sergeant.

The 52nd Illinois was also prominent in the Battle of Kenesaw Mountain (GA). John's military records, furnished by the National Archives, indicate that he was wounded in action at the beginning of the Kenesaw Mountain assault on June 22, 1864. Muster records also indicate that he was hospitalized until September, 1864. He briefly re-joined his company in Atlanta and then on November 18, 1864, he completed his three-year tour of duty and was mustered out as a Sergeant.

All indications are that John worked as a custom tailor in Aurora, IL, up to the time of his death on April 10, 1901. The chief cause of death was pneumonia which apparently overtook him as he fought cancer. He left behind, his wife of 46 years, Anna, and six (6) children.

John appears to have led a very active life in the community. He was a charter member of the Grand Army Republic (GAR), Aurora Post #20. He also was a member of the Ancient Free & Accepted Masons (AF&AM) as well as the Royal Arch Masons (RAM).

John was laid to rest in the West Aurora Cemetery in Aurora, IL. His gravesite is Lot 634 in Block 1. His obituary from the "Aurora Beacon" mentioned that he was of a "genial and generous nature and commanded the respect and esteem of all who knew him."

Yankee Ingenuity

Brother Bob Farrell

Many times we have heard of our forbearers in Blue using their skills in a most creative manner. Sometimes it was a benefit to the Army they served and other times it was rather mischievous. Gen. Grant, in his article "*The Vicksburg Campaign*" in Volume III, Page 522 of *Battles and Leaders* he relates the following tale which exemplifies Yankee ingenuity.

He states as follows: " There were no mortars with the besiegers, except what the Navy had in front of the city: but wooden ones were made by taking logs of the toughest wood that could be found, boring them out for 6 or 12 pounder shells, and binding them with strong iron bands. These answered as coehorns (small howitzers), and shells were successfully thrown from them into the trenches of the enemy. I am certain that the opposition declared them "inhuman".

We have heard of the famous Confederate "Quaker Guns" used to deceive the Union troops they faced. Our Yankee relatives use their talents to make their wooden guns into weapons of **destruction** rather than **deception**.

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