

# SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

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## **Circular 2022-4** **December 18, 2022**

Brothers of the Department of Indiana:

### **General Order #11**

As you have likely read, Commander-in-Chief Bruce Frail revoked General Order #7, which required submission of additional genealogical documents and other provisions. I am very pleased that the CinC revoked this requirement as I have been a vocal advocate on behalf of our Department that the implementation was undertaken without due consideration of the second and third order effects it would have on applicants, Camps, and Departments.

This issue is not resolved however, as it will be resurrected at the National Encampment in August 2023. While the Department had an impressive delegation present at this year's National Encampment in Michigan, I expect that we will have a small delegation representing us due to the location being in New Hampshire.

### **Camp Officer Installations**

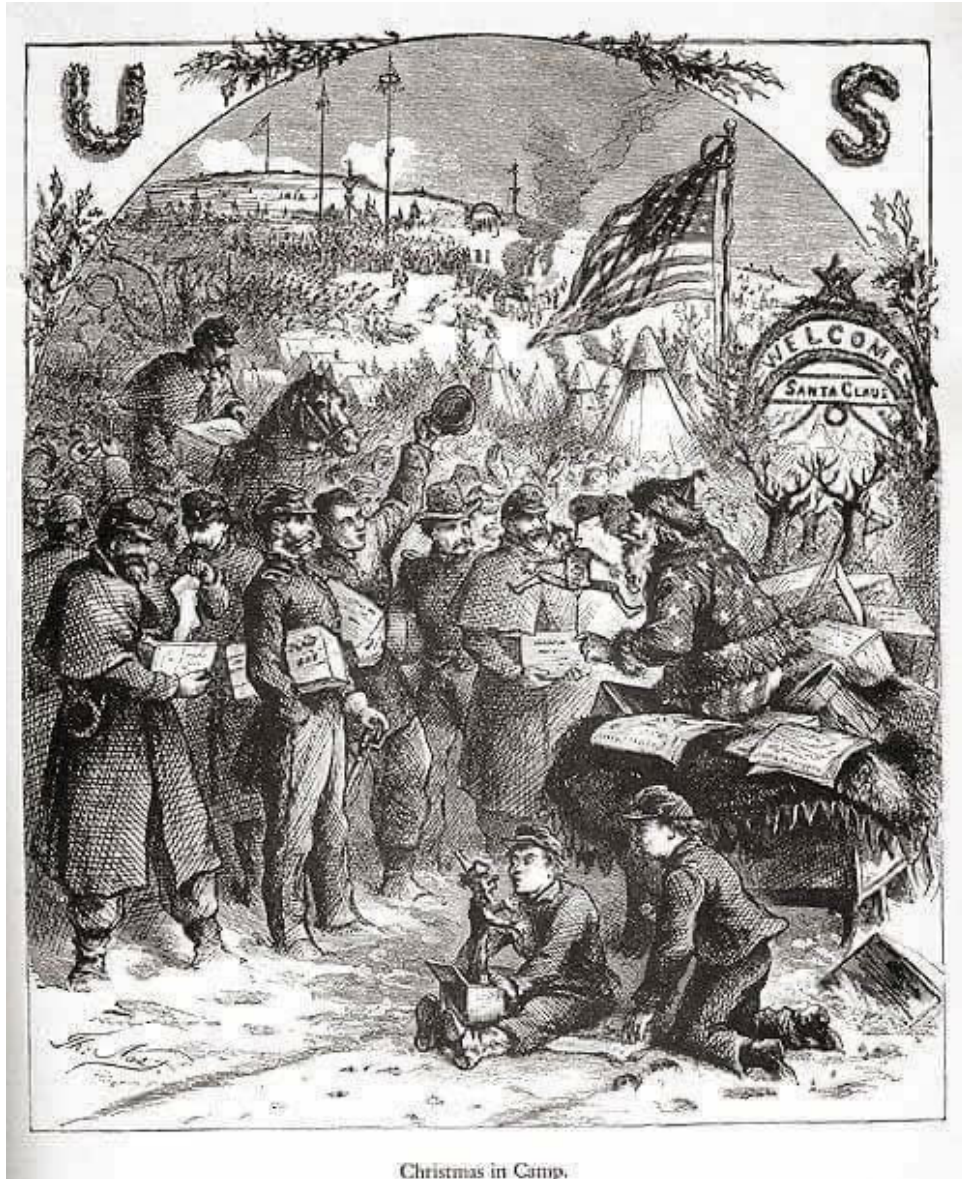
It has been my honor to install Camp officers for John W. Foster Camp No. 2, Ben Harrison Camp No. 356, and Orlando A. Somers Camp No. 1. In January I am scheduled to install officers at John B. Anderson Camp No. 223, John Auten Camp No. 8, and depending on weather and availability, Champion Hill Camp No. 17. Due to conflicts, I was unable to install officers at David D. Porter Camp No. 116 and William P. Benton Camp No. 28, therefore I designated PDC William Adams and PDC Dennis Rigsby to represent me. Thank you to Brothers Adams and Rigsby for doing so. I intend to visit every Camp at least once during my tenure and look forward to doing so. Congratulations to the Brothers in Camp leadership roles!

### **The Indiana Legion**

Brother Jonathan Swarts is hard at work editing and preparing to publish the next issue of *The Indiana Legion*. I would love to see stories, updates and/or photographs from EVERY Camp in the Department included in the January 2023 issue. Please forward items to Brother Swarts and, while you are at it, please let him know you appreciate his efforts in publishing **YOUR** Department newsletter!

**Holiday Season**

The six months I have been your Department Commander have flown by and we find ourselves in that special time of year. On behalf of the other Department Officers, I wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



*Yours in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Floyd". The signature is written in a dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

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Department of Indiana, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War