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1 I hope all of you enjoyed the Holidays and were able L to spend some time with your families. I wish all a successful 2004.

2^{The 2004} Midwinter Encampment will be in Huntington on 24 January 2004, just over a week away. Plan your visit to this Department function and enjoy the fellowship of your brothers. See the story on the right, and the agenda on page two, for more details about this event.



Alan Teller Commander

All members are important. Please attend your local Camp meeting, and let others know your thoughts and ideas.

Have you changed your street address? What about demail address? Does your Camp Secretary know about any change? Please communicate all changes to the Camp Secretary.

Cour annual dues became due the 1st of January. Save **O**your camp the expense of repeated reminders. Mail your check in today. If you do not know where to send it, email atller@iquest.net, or write me, Alan Teller, 3003 Lamplighter Lane, Kokomo, IN 46902-8125, and I will give you an appropriate address.

Membership should always be in our thoughts. We Oneed new members to survive. We need their ideas, energy, and above all their participation.

Let us all strive to recruit a new member this year.

Midwinter Encampment Scheduled for Next Week!

The Midwinter Encampment will be held on Saturday, 24 L January 2004 in Huntington, and should be a great meeting -a chance to get out and enjoy yourself, shake off the doldrums of winter. Many of your brothers will be in attendance. It will be a time to renew old acquaintances and meet new friends.

Our Commander-in-Chief, Kent Armstrong, will be in present. This will be your chance to ask him any questions about the SUVCW and congratulate him on his election and the accomplishment of the National Organization. You may even want to offer your time in service to the National Organization.

Champion Hill Camp No. 17, our host, will be serving doughnuts and coffee in the morning and lunch at noon. Their treasury is financing this event; there are no fees for this

Encampment. Your donations at lunchtime will help them to defray the expenses.

We will have two speakers. William Gordon, Department Counselor, will answer questions giving opinions about SUVCW related legal issues and considerations. Please prepare your questions for Brother Gordon in advance. In my travels to the Camps I hear legal concerns. This is your chance to have them addressed. No personal legal questions will be allowed.



Corporal Brian Henry, 27th Indiana In-

fantry, Co. D, Sons of Veterans Reserve, Our second speaker will awaits the Remembrance Day ceremony at be Phil McClure, Depart- Gettysburg. See his report on page 3.

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Remembering the sacrifices made by the soldiers and sailors of the Civil War who fought to preserve the Union, we are dedicated to continuing the patriotic work begun by our parent organization, The Grand Hrmy of the Republic

Winter 2004

Midwinter Encampment, continued

ment Memorial Officer. Phil will present a program on Lew Wallace. Dressed as General Lew Wallace, he will review his life as long as forty-five minutes will allow, with special emphasis on his Civil War involvement.

The SVR will again present the Colors. In addition, we will have two raffles and door prizes. Please join us for the day.

Midwinter Encampment Agenda

Saturday, January 24, 2004 9:00-9:30 a.m. Coffee, doughnuts, and good fellowship 9:30-11:30 a.m. **Business** meeting Report of Officers Old Business, etc. 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. William B. Gordon, Attorney. SUVCW related legal questions 12:00-12:30 p.m. Lunch served by Champion Hill Camp Donations are appreciated 12:30-1:15 p.m. Phil McClure will present a program on Lew Wallace 1:15-3:00 p.m. Business meeting Reports of Camps, New business Adjourn

IN MEMORIAM

Philip A. Burgin 27 December 1929 - 10 October 2003

A long time member and Treasurer of the Orlando A. Somers Camp No. 1 Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War His ancestor was 1st Lt. Simpson Burgin, Co. B, 120th Indiana InfantryVolunteers

A Salute to a Civil War Chaplain and College President

Acommemorative ceremony nonorming Rev. William Corby, C. S. C. was held commemorative ceremony honoring on the University of Notre Dame campus on Saturday, 8 November 2003. The ceremony was a cooperative effort of David D. Porter Camp No. 116, Department of Indiana, and the Notre Dame Army ROTC unit. Alan Loo-

mis, Past Commander -in-Chief and Porter Camp Commander, planned and coordinated the ceremony with university and ROTC officials.

Members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Civil War re-enactors, Holy Cross priests, Military Order of the Loyal Legion in the U. S., and a sizeable crowd that included curious students and Notre Dame football fans, assembled around Father Corby's statute for the early-morning commemorative program.

The purpose was to salute Father William Corby for his service during the Civil War as a chaplain, and his two terms as president of the university and to honor his establishment of a Grand Army of the Republic post on campus. In addition, the 170th anniversary of his birth was noted during the proceedings.

The statue is a duplicate of the statue located on the Gettysburg battlefield located on the site where he gave Absolution to the Irish Brigade.

"We'll rally round the flag, boys" sung by the Company Singers from Champion Hill Camp # 17, preceded the start of the ceremony.

Brother Loomis introduced the Rev. William Seetch, C. S. C., Religious Superior at Notre Dame, whose opening prayer noted God's calling men and women like Father Corby and other religious to express his healing power in the Civil War. In addition to Father Corby, six other priests from Notre Dame served with various Civil War units, and sixty three Holy Cross nuns served as nurses during the war.

The Rev. James King, C. S. C., Vocational Director and Rector of Sorin Hall, speaking about Father Corby, said that he was born to a wealthy physician and his wife in Detroit. He came to Notre Dame in the 1850's and was ordained to the priesthood at the age of 27.

When Father Corby gave the Absolution at Gettysburg 140 years ago, both Catholics and non-Catholics were seen to kneel for the sacrament, according to contemporary accounts. The absolution was intended for all, even Confederate soldiers going into battle. According to Father King, former Confederates also shared in the efforts to erect the statues of Father Corby at Gettysburg as well as on campus. Serving two terms as President of Notre Dame, Father Corby presided dur-



Uniformed participants form up for the Father Corby Ceremony

ing a period of growth that included the replacement of the administration building with its golden dome following a fire that destroyed the original administration building.

Commander-in-Chief Kent Armstrong noted that Father Corby founded a unique post of the Grand Army of the Republic, Notre Dame Post # 569, made up entirely of religious at the University of Notre Dame. When Father Corby died, two months later, members of the post bore his casket during the funeral. C-in-C Armstrong presented a certificate commending the University of Notre Dame for keeping the post records intact in its archives. continued on page 3



A Salute, continued

After the Company Singers performed the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" and "Faith of our Fathers," Michael Downs, Junior Vice Camp Commander of Porter Camp, presided at a wreath laying at the Father Corby statue. Wreaths were presented by Commander in Chief Kent Armstrong,



The Company Singers at the Dobbin House Restaurant in Gettysburg. See story at right.

SUVCW, Indiana Department Commander Alan Teller, SUVCW, Alan Loomis, Past Commander in Chief and Porter Camp Commander, SUVCW, and Keith Harrison, Chancellor-in-Chief, Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States and Past Commander in Chief, SUVCW.

Three volleys were fired by a firing squad composed of the 27th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, Sons of Veterans Reserve, 19th Indiana Volunteer Infantry, 9th Indiana Volunteer Infantry and the 7th Michigan Volunteer Infantry. Mark Heath, Camp Commander, Austin Blair Camp # 7, Department of Michigan, SUVCW and Midshipman Russell Morton, Navy ROTC at the University of Notre Dame, played taps at the conclusion of the ceremony.

Participating color guards represented the Commander-in-Chief, Sons of Union

Indiana, SUVCW, David D. Porter Camp # 116, SUVCW, 19th Indiana Volunteer Infantry and the Notre Dame Army Reserve Officer Training Corps.

Those who remained for the football game saw the home team end a losing streak as Notre Dame defeated the Naval Academy 27-24 with a field goal with five seconds remaining in the game.

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Company Singers at Gettysburg

he Huntington, Indiana, SUVCW Champion Hill Camp No. 17 was well represented in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, the third week in November for Remembrance Day.

The Company Singers, a group of

musicians/singers, made the trek to Pennsylvania to be a part of two memorial services, performed for a local battlefield preservation association, and also take part in the annual parade through the town to the stone wall at the battlefield where Pickett's charge took place 140 years ago.

Brothers Gib Young, Rich McConnell, Eric Fricke, Bob Stephan, Jim Kline, Rick Henly and his 12-year-old son, Drew Henly, performed Friday night, 14 November, at the Dobbin House Restaurant in Gettysburg for the Gettysburg Battlefield Preservation Association.

Playing and singing both before and during the dinner, the Singers were able to perform a majority of their 1860's-based repertoire of songs. Songs from the era included Aura Lea, Battle Cry of Freedom, Lorena, Just Before The Battle Mother, Goober Peas and many others.

The following morning at 8:45 a.m. the Singers joined with the Anna Ross Camp No. 1 SUVCW of Philadelphia and re-enactors of the 28th Pennsylvania infantry, and Beck's Civil War Regimental Band for a moving ceremony at the monument to the original 28th Pennsylvania. (The monument is deep in the woods, close to Rock Creek, where the 28th Pennsylvania held the right flank of the Union



army at Culp's Hill, July 1st and 2nd, 1863.)

Singing Shall We Gather At The River and Nearer My God To Thee at the monument and then accompanying the band on the navy hymn Eternal Father was a memorable event. Seven new SUVCW members were also inducted into their camp according to the period ritual performed there that brisk Saturday morning

After the service early Saturday morning, the Singers traveled back to the General George Meade monument at 11:00 a.m. for a short memorial service with the General Meade Society of Philadelphia. A number of the people had been at the dinner the evening before. Singing their hymns once again and also Marching Along, a musical tribute to General Meade, was again something very special with which to be involved.

The Remembrance Day parade was

last on the list of things to do for the Singers. The parade stepped off at 1:00 p.m. from a junior high school and wound through downtown Gettysburg. Streaming through Gettysburg were thousands of reenactors from all branches of the services of the period, with their flags flying, brass shining, drum and fife music playing, and each step in time with the drum cadence.

The parade finished at the stone wall with both Union and Confederate re-enactors coming face-to-face for a short time while the visiting dignitaries readied their speeches.

Before the program commenced, a lot of people were milling about waiting for them to proceed. Brother Rich McConnell, having brought his guitar with him, started singing a song of Confederate origin, Lorena. It was amazing how quickly silence overtook the crowd of people nearby on both sides of the wall. Once completed, Brother McConnell received much appreciated applause and thanks from the Confederates. Shortly thereafter an unidentified Confederate re-enactor started singing the song "Barbara Allen." After many verses, his voice faltered and he apologized, but the crowd showed their appreciation in the applause he received.

Once the program started, a Lincoln re-enactor recited the Gettysburg Address. Visiting dignitaries from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War spoke, and to culminate the event, those at the wall were asked to reach out a hand to their American brothers on the other side, a very moving experience for those involved.

Whether or not you know a lot about the Civil War and Gettysburg or just have a basic knowledge of what happened there, seeing thousands of people, in both blue and gray, marching, talking, laughing and singing, the time will never be forgotten.

Remembrance Day is just that - remem-Veterans of the Civil War, Department of The Company Singers at the Indiana memorial at Gettysburg bering what happened 140 years ago. A very sobering thought.

 Rick Henley Champion Hill Camp No.17 Huntington, IN 46750 http://www.huntingtoncounty.org/suvcw

A Dispatch from the SVR

report on honor the presence of the 27th Indiana Volunteer Infantry Co. D SVR at the past Remembrance Day ceremonies at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. The members from the 27th Indiana SVR were present. Brian Henry, Randy McNally, Kevin Rushton, Jerry Layton and Ed Krieser. Gib Young and members from Huntington also attended the events. The morning of the 15th started with the annual SVR breakfast at the Eisenhower Hotel at 8:00 a.m. The General was unable to attend because of surgery he had previously.

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After the breakfast, the 27th Indiana SVR drove to the monuments of the 27th Indiana Infantry and the Indiana Monument located at the base of Culp's Hill. After the view-



A view of the Remembrance Day parade in Gettysburg

ing of these monuments members left for the Lincoln Middle School to participate in the annual Remembrance Day parade. The parade stepped off at 1:00 p.m. sharp with Members of the 27th Ind. Vol. SVR: Jerry Layton, Corp. Brian Henry, Randy D. McNally & Kevin Rushton. The 27th SVR placed in the 4th comGettysburg on Sunday morning returning to Indiana. Members from the Orlando A. Somers Camp #1 were well represented with a total of 4 members attending.

Your obedient servant, Corporal Brian Henry,

27th Indiana Infantry, Co. D, SVR

A Report from the Somers Camp

The Orlando A. Somers Camp #1 has had a series of good programs this fall. We started with a Civil War Jeopardy Game presented by Tom Crawford, Past Department Commander, in September. Mark Davis was our speaker in October. He gave a program on gravestone restoration. Ernie Ravinet, Camp Commander, of Benton Camp, presented a program on the 19th Indiana Volunteer Infantry in November. December was our annual "Show & Tell" and election of officers.

For our four meetings we had a total of 49 members and 28 guests attend. This was an average attendance of almost 20. Phil Burgin's wife donated some four



Pictured are the speakers at the Rolling Prairie Cemetery ceremony honoring Benjamin Franklin Williams, Private, 21st Indiana Infantry Volunteers. The David Porter Camp provided a new headstone and GAR flag holder.

pany behind the colors. The 27th marched with fellow brothers from Pennsylvania. The parade made its way to the angle on Cemetery Ridge, where a few words were spoken from Sons of Union Veterans Reps and Sons of Confederate Veterans Reps. The ceremony ended with the traditional shaking of hands across the wall by Union and Confederate descendants.

After the parade, members went their separate ways to get ready for the ball on Seminary Ridge, which is put on by residents of Gettysburg. The ball went off well with everyone enjoying themselves. Members of the 27th then proceeded back to their hotels for the night. Members left

boxes of books to our Camp. We are selling chances for \$1.00 and raffling three off at each meeting to enrich our treasury in Phil's name. Phil was our long time Camp Treasurer.

Now that the cannon has a home in the Pioneer Automotive Museum, the Somers Camp, is "adopting" it. We are going once a month to the museum to clean it and make sure it is being well taken care of. We are not abandoning it to the museum. A list of volunteers through August has been made

for the cleaning detail. This museum sits on U.S. 31 on the north side of Kokomo. We would invite all fellow brothers to stop in and see the cannon on their next visit to our area. The cost of admission is \$4.00.

Allen Moore, Past Commander in Chief, installed the new Camp officers in December. Shawn Clements is our new Camp Commander, Jon Ayers is the new Sr. Vice Commander, and Kent Smith is the Jr. Vice Commander.



Tom Crawford, Past Department Commander, makes a point in his inimitable manner as he tells a story about the Civil War and Howard County. He and an audience interested in U.S. history gathered at the Johanning Civic Center where the cannon behind him was being presented to the public on Veterans Day. See story to the left. (Photo by Tim Bath © Kokomo Tribune)

Camp Morton Boundary Recognition Ceremony

In Indianapolis on Saturday, 25 October, the Ben Harrison Camp No. 356 honored the twenty-one organizations and individuals who supported the creation and placing of the markers that now denote the four corners of Camp Morton, the Civil War prison camp for captured Confederate soldiers.

Particularly recognized for their substantial contributions was the Herron-Morton Neighborhood Association and the Indiana Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.



Terry Henson, Indiana Division Commander of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, accepts a replica plaque of the Camp Morton camp boundary markers. The plaque recognizes the generous gift of the SCV to the project. He is flanked by Bruce Kolb, Commander of the Ben Harrison Camp, and Alan Teller, Department Commander SUVCW.

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Visit the national SUVCW web site at www.suvcw.org
Join the IndianaSUVCW news list by contacting dwiley@earthlink.net
Download the Champion Hill Camp Newsletter online at www.huntingtoncounty.org/suvcw—it is well worth seeing what the brothers in Huntington are up to
See the Department site at suvcw.org/in/DEPTIN.html; alas, not all of the information is up to date.

Mark Davis Gravestone Hero

"I am fighting three enemies here," Mark Davis recently told John Carlson, a reporter for the Muncie Star Press, "nature, neglect, and vandalism." Mark has been an intrepid fighter for preserving the headstones of Civil War veterans, and his efforts have not gone unnoticed in the press and amongst our SUVCW brethren. He has cleaned, repaired, and reset stones in twenty counties and conducted several workshops on grave marker cleaning techniques. In 2002 he refurbished 240 markers, 600 in 2003 and, at last report, he is working on some 180 more in Columbus, Indiana.

Readers of the IndianaSUVCW list online will be acquainted with news of much of Mark's work, together with accounts of the grave marker cleaning activity of SUVCW camps throughout the state.

In a very real sense Mark's work has been one of gratitude for the men of 1861-1865. As he wrote Alan Teller, "I always thought anyone who could stand upright and face a tightly spinning 58 caliber minié ball that blew out 4 inch pieces of bone from arms, legs and torsos should be remembered as a true American hero. Those guys had more courage, bravery and fear than most of us will ever have."

Reprinted below is a slightly edited excerpt from a message with gravestone cleaning information Mark sent to Department Commander Allen Teller.

Editor's note

The recommended mix for cleaning stones is one part ammonia and four parts water. You can use plain water, but it just seems that ammonia helps to cut the lichen a little better. Green lichen tends to attach to the surface and come off easily. Black lichen will stain a marble stone about 1/4 inch deep. Do not try to get that stain out; it won't happen without the loss of a lot of stone. The stone will look good dry, but it will show the stain when wet.

Ninety-nine percent of the Civil War military markers are white marble. If they have been replaced they could possibly have been replaced with the light gray granite stone (these would require only water and a stiff plastic bristled brush to clean).

Most of the original white marble Civil War military stones vary in quality because the government used quite a few different vendors. That is why you may find a really nice Civil War marker that has held up, and then see others that may need to be replaced. Of course the environment and other factors could also be the cause.

The key to resetting is this — forget the concrete. I can reset a military stone in fifteen minutes without it, but if it is once set in concrete it's irreversible. That word needs to be remembered by everyone doing any kind of restoration work: can the work be REVERSED?

The work I do can be reversed. As



Mark Davis demonstrates his work. Photo by Kurt Hostetler O Muncie Star Press

new technology comes around, it's possible that there may be a better technique fifteen years from now, so that is why reversibility is important. Rigid setting of modern granite stones is permissible. Marble and limestone are a different ball game. Most caretakers and sextons hate marble because of its inherent softness and the techniques required to restore it.

Concrete is extremely hard and expands and contracts at a different ratio than marble and limestone. When a marble stone is set in concrete, it puts tremendous pressure on the stone. That's why you can see marble stones set in concrete snapped off at ground level. Caretakers, sextons, and granite monument installers are used to setting modern granite stones on concrete foundations and using setting compounds or mortars to hold them in place. Setting marble and limestone requires different techniques than granite. And the justification used for setting marble stones in concrete is that it will stay in place. Not true. I have had to reset stones set in concrete that were leaning very badly. It would have been an easy fix if the concrete weren't present, but it required a tremendous effort with the concrete encased around the stone. If you set a marble military stone with pea gravel and sand mix, it will stay level for a long time. It will eventually not be level, but you just dig around it and re level it. It's a very simple fix. Remember the stone almost always loses when it goes up against concrete. Believe me I have seen a lot of them.

I sometimes can get it off, but sometimes the stone breaks, making a simple job much more difficult.

Here are the Rules

1. Leave the concrete bag at home when doing restoration.

2. Pressure washers will blow the face right off a marble stone. Marble is soft.

3. NO Chemicals. Marble and Limestone are very absorbent.

4. NO wire wheels. As the wheels wear where does the wire go? Right into the surface of the stone. The metal will remain on the surface, and metal rusts.

5. NO bleach. It's acidic. It will make the

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stone look good for a couple years, but it will be yellowing later. Acids break down marble.

6. If you don't know what to do —WAIT. It's better to leave a stone untouched than to do something that is irreversible. Call me, I will try to help.

7. No soaps

8. Clean a stone only about every 3-4 years. You lose a little bit every time you clean a marble or limestone stone. Don't over clean them.

9. Always think "what is best for the stone", not "how can I make the stone rigid."
10. Plastic bristled brushes only (stiff is OK).

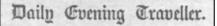
Special Alert! Sunday, 8 February, 2004

The Annual Lincoln Day Program at the Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial in Lincoln City, Indiana will be on the above date. The SUVCW will again participate in this program as the color guard. The SVR acted as the Color guard last year and will be requested to do so again this year. We should be there at 1: 30 PM (CST); in Kokomo we are on EST and this represents 2:30 PM our time. The program begins at 2:00 PM (CST)

Dr. James Madison of Indiana University will be the Keynote Speaker. He currently serves as president of the Governor's Hoosier Heritage Foundation, which opened the Eli Lilly Civil War Museum in Indianapolis in 1999. His publications include "The Indiana Way: A State History" and "Eli Lilly 1885-1977," both published by the IHS Press. His keynote address will, of course, be about Abraham Lincoln; however at this time they do not know the exact topic of Mr. Madison's talk. The Company Singers of Champion Hill Camp #17 will provide music.

If you are interested, The Company Singers will present a concert on Saturday evening, 7 February, 2004, at 6:00 PM (CST) followed by a reception. This is a new program they are adding for this year's Lincoln Day.

Most of the above information was provided to me by Shane Lind, Head Park Ranger, Visitors Center Operation, Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial.



FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1865.

DF The following, taken from the Traveller April, 1861, will amuse our readers at the present

time: CHALLENGE TO THE SOLDIERS OF MASSACHU-

SETTS. [From the Boston Traveller, April 27th.]

The following document was received at this office by mail, this morning. The envelope bore the post mark of Charleston, S. C., and we therefore have no doubt that it is genuine:

fore have no doubt that it is genuine: CHARLESTON, S. C. April 19, 1861, To the Editors of the Boston Traveller: Gentiemen,—On behalf of the South Carolina vol-unteers, I am deputed to request Gov. Andrew of Massachusetts, through yoa, that the military con-tingent of your State be sent to South Carolina. In making this request, I assure you I but express the wish of every man, woman and child in our State. We number about 10,000 men, well armed and accoutred, and anxious for a fight, and cor-dially invite any number from your section to give us a meeting. Do not, however, send them in the feet that appeared off Charleston harbor during the bombaroment of Fort Sumter for fear that their timidity will interfere with their landing. Send all Massachusetts men, none from Pennsyltheir timidity will interfere with their landing. Send all Massachusetts men, none from Pennsyl-vania, for the regiment of that State *flunked* at Cerro Gordo; nor from New York, for at Churu-busco (although they claimed and received the right from the Palmetto regiment) for at the first fire the gallant New Yorkers fell back and hid be-hind a barr; nor from Indiana—for at Palo Alta, the nimble regiment from that State field in inglo-tions corform. Send your works rious confusion. Send your Sumners, your Wil-sons, your Burlingames, and a host of similar no-tables, and we pledge our honors, our lives, and all that we hold sacred, that none other but the Pal-metto boys shall interfere with them. We want

them exclusively for our own use. This request is made in good faith, and on signi-fying your acceptance of our offer, every arrange-ment will be made to give you a safe passport to our sh

ON BEHALF OF THE S. C. VOLUNTEERS.



An ironic dispatch from a Boston newspaper published in January 139 years ago.

This Way to the Midwinter Encampment

Huntington County Court House • Saturday, 24 January 2004 **From the South**

Take I 69 to the Warren Exit at IN 5; follow IN 5 North to US 224, turn left on South Jefferson Street all the way to the Court House.

From Fort Wayne

Take I 69 to the Markle Exit, US 224; take US 224 west to IN 5. Continue West on IN 5, South Jefferson Street, all the way to the Court House.

From the West

Take US 24 to Huntington. At the junction of IN 9 & IN 37 continue straight on Park Drive into town. At the intersection with North Jefferson St. turn right, and go three blocks to the Court House.

From the North

Take IN 5 South; it becomes North Jefferson Street. Follow all the way to the Court House; or, as a last resort, take IN 9 South, till it T's at BUS. 24. Turn right for two city blocks, veer to right at the Y. This is First Street; go South to Market Street, turn West, right, onto Market Street. Take Market to North Jefferson Street. Turn left for one block to Court House.

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Park anywhere around the Court House, but enter the West Jefferson Street doors.

The GAR Room is on the second floor. There is an elevator if needed. You are invited!

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or our cyberspace subscribers:

Here is your latest electronic edition of The Indiana Legion, a large file certainly, but I hope you will receive it without too much difficulty or extended download time.

I do expect some bounces, usually because of an email address change, or because the transmission has been refused by the Internet service provider as being too large.

Let me know if you have had problems, and, as usual, I welcome all suggestions and contributions.

I hope to see all of you at the Midwinter Encampment in Huntington a week from this Saturday.

With my best wishes and in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

David Wiley



here is one gratis from the Boston Traveler, 20 January 1865. This will be best viewed at 200%