

# If you invited an old civil war veteran to Indianapolis would you let him sleep in the streets?

*It is because the average householder in Indianapolis does not realize that this city will be hosts to the hundred thousand members of the G. A. R., Women's Relief Corps, and allied bodies Sept. 19 to 25, that this urgent plea is made for rooms*

**I**F there is a man or woman in this town so deaf to the urgent pleas that are now being made for every available room to be listed with the Housing Committee in charge, that person does not realize that his unwillingness to do such a little thing will probably mean a man or woman spending the night on a park bench or walking the streets.

Perhaps you are one of those who listed a room for the Shriners' conclave, which was not used; this was because a large proportion of Shriners slept in the Pullman cars.

Do you realize that while there were 50,000 Shriners in Indianapolis at that time there will be at least 100,000 members of these patriotic organizations in the city September 19 to 25?

Indianapolis boasts of being the most courteous city in the world. Is it courtesy or even humanity for you to have a vacant room and not to offer its use for one of these noble men or women?

Would it inconvenience you more to double up in your home during the Encampment than it inconvenienced many of the women who will be in Indianapolis for Encampment who left home, family and friends to spend four years to be nurses in the Civil War?

What does the little inconvenience of hav-



ing an outsider sleep in your home amount to, compared to climbing Lookout Mountain with Confederate soldiers rolling logs, stones and shot and shell down on you?

Some of the old men who will be in Indianapolis September 19 to 25 left legs or arms in the battle of the Wilderness or Fort Donelson.

Indianapolis must rise to this emergency!

The rooms must be listed!

The Housing Committee is providing cots in hotel corridors and in every available lodge and meeting place in the city. The accommodations of the Blind Asylum and even Fort Benjamin Harrison have been commandeered. They cannot commandeer your room, yet surely your pride in Indianapolis and your sense of obligation to those noble old men and women of the Civil War days will make you do your duty!

It will be the everlasting shame of this city if there is a single man or woman within the limits of the Hoosier Capital who does not offer available bed space and in this way cause some old man or woman to wander Indianapolis streets on those chilly, fall nights in September.

Tear out this coupon and mail it in at once! It will take at least ten days to sort, index and get the list of 50,000 rooms in shape so as to handle the crowds which will pour in in just about three weeks' time.

MAIL to CHAMBER of COMMERCE	
Fifty thousand rooms in private homes of Indianapolis will be required for the G. A. R. national encampment September 19-25. If you will have a room, fill out the following blank and mail it.	
Street .....	No. of Rooms .....
Owner .....	With Bath .....
Phones .....	Without Bath .....
Nearest Car Line .....	Price .....
Remarks .....	

There is too much of a "Let George Do It" about this room business. This is a question that is right up to you. Answer it by tearing this coupon out and mailing it in to Scott Brewer, 701 Chamber of Commerce Building, TODAY.

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