

G. A. R. LEADER MAKES STRONG PLEA FOR PEACE

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the reading of the reports of the various officers.

Among those reading reports were: Charles B. Wilson of California, senior vice commander-in-chief; Isidore Isaac of New York, junior vice commander-in-chief; Stephen B. Burt of Boston, Ind., surgeon general; W. W. Gies of Cedar Falls, Iowa, chaplain-in-chief; Joseph W. O'Neill of Columbus, Ohio, adjutant general; Cola D. R. Stowits of Buffalo, N. Y., quartermaster general; J. Henry Holcomb of Philadelphia, assistant quartermaster general; William A. Johnson of Indianapolis, judge advocate general; James G. Taylor of Newark, N. J., inspector general; Hosea R. Wood of Madison, Wis., national patriotic instructor; George A. Hosley of Chester, N. H., chief of staff; Thomas J. McConekey of Brooklyn, N. Y., senior adjutant general; the trustees of the permanent fund; the committee on legislation, composed of Washington Gardner of Albion, Mich., chairman; Orlando A. Somers, Charles C. Royce, John McElroy, J. Payson Bradley and John L. Clem.

PROPOSED INCREASED PER CAPITA TAX.

Among the chief matters pertaining to the business affairs of the Grand Army of the Republic which will be considered at the business sessions, is the proposal to increase the per capita tax of 3½ cents to a sum sufficient to pay the expenses of the general encampment.

Following adjournment of the business sessions the delegates will be taken to Dr. Benjamin Harrison where they will be the guests of Col. Hatch, commander of the fort.

The veterans will dine with the younger soldiers, will witness an air exhibition in the afternoon, and in the evening will attend a military concert.

Automobiles will take the veterans to the fort, leaving Senate avenue west of the Statehouse at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon.

Veterans were expressing complete satisfaction at the splendid reception given them.

RESOLUTIONS BODY MEETS TONIGHT.

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The committee's report on this important measure is as follows:

In undertaking the task entrusted to us, we have taken it for granted that the only purpose of the proposed incorporation is to give to the Grand Army of the Republic standing as a legal entity, and that it will not be used so that it can take any and all steps necessary for the protection and preservation of its rights, property and otherwise, and be enabled to meet and defend its property and interests.

In the opinion of your committee, this can and should be accomplished without interfering with our method of government, our rules and regulations, or with any of the rights and privileges of our members.

We have accordingly prepared a bill that we submit herewith, which, if it is enacted into law by Congress, will accomplish the desired result, while it will make no change in our organization, except that it will make permanent and eliminate the qualifications for membership as they are now prescribed in our rules and regulations. Your committee has incorporated this restriction in the bill, so that no one who does not should ever be admitted to membership in our order, or allowed to wear our insignia of membership who did not earn the same, therefore, will not be a service to our country as soldier or sailor in the suppression of the great rebellion from 1861 to 1865.

When you, as member of the Grand Army of the Republic die, let our order die, except as it will forever live in the hearts of our countrymen and in the pages of history, with its record of glorious achievement.

VETERAN NAVY MEN HOLD 'DOG WATCH'

Sea fighters of the days of Admiral Farragut lived over the thrilling battles between monitors and ironclads, Union gunboats and Rebel land fortifications and the glorious part the navy played in subduing the rebellion at the "dog watch" of the National Association of Naval Veterans in the council chamber at the club here last night.

Major Charles W. Jewett, who had promised to address the veterans, failed to appear, and Commodore Loomis Scovell, national commander of the association, stated he believed the city's chief executive owed the association an apology.

The veterans also seized the occasion to state that they do not believe the public fully realizes the important part which the navy has always played in national crises.

Many of the glorious achievements of the navy, which have been more or less submerged under the greater publicity given the deeds of the Army and Marine Corps were reviewed.

Fleet Chaplain Byron P. Drowne, El Paso, Tex., explained the meaning of "dog watch," which he said, corresponds to the Grand Army term, "camp fire."

Commodore Scovell expressed the appreciation of the association for the hospitality shown by Indians, and the glorious part the navy played in the Civil War when he passed through Indians on a troop train.

The sumptuous "eats" were spread on a long table "commanded" by a large corps of pretty women at the railroad station, he said.

An article paying tribute to Admiral Farragut was read and H. F. McCullum, New Haven, Conn., secretary and paymaster of the association, gave several reminiscences.

Attorney Samuel H. Seymour, Chattanooga, Tenn., a son of a naval veteran, paid tribute to the courtesies of his father, and Miss Florence Loud, president of a post of Daughters of Veterans of Boston, presented Commodore Scovell with a bouquet of roses in token of appreciation for the patriotic work he has been doing for many years.

George Blinckley, a veteran and speaker with the Knights Division Navy Auxiliary Board of Chicago, attended the "dog watch" and extended greetings to the Civil War veterans in behalf of the recruiting band.

"We young fellows are trying to live up to the high standard set by you veterans years ago and every place this recruiting band goes we sing your praises," he said.

Blinckley stated that the navy today was protesting against movie producers placing the uniform of a sailor on some one to act in a wild scene," because he claimed that practice worked against the navy and gave a wrong impression.

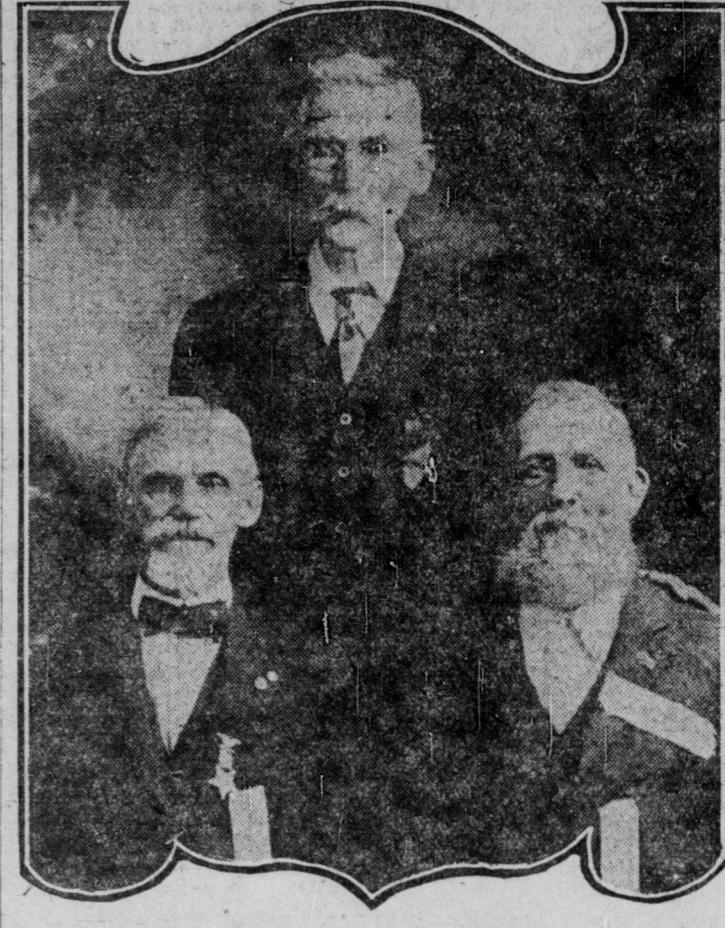
Following his talk, the old skipmates gathered around Blinckley and presented him with an honorary badge and placed his name in the reunion records.

AUXILIARIES HOLD UNION MEMORIAL

Memorial services were held by the Sons of the Veterans Auxiliary with the Sons of the Veterans at the Eagles Lodge today.

Mrs. Ida M. Patterson, past national

And These Three Met Again



Left to Right—J. W. Murray, S. C. Hoadley and M. H. Surpless.

Three young men rode side by side in Company F, 9th Ohio Cavalry, during the Civil War.

They were in a number of engagements together and at the end of the war separated.

More than half a century passed and they did not meet again.

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The Indians' "Dog Watch" of Knightstown gave instrumental entertainment.

Morning and afternoon sessions were held at Masonic temple yesterday.

Reports were read by Capt. Rowling, senior national vice president; Rose Rench, junior national vice president; John E. Troxell, national treasurer; Grace Seibers, national secretary.

LADIES OF G. A. R. READY TO BALLOT

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