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From Our Commander

THE KINGDOM OF CALLAWAY

On October 27, 1861, the United States recognized Callaway County, Mo., as an independent region.

Though Confederate in sympathy, Callaway County had not yet rebelled against the Union when Col. T.J.C. Fagg assembled 500 militiamen nearby to hunt for Callaway's supposed "nest of Reb sympathizers." In reaction Callaway's eccentric Col. Jefferson Jones recruited 300 volunteers—mostly old men and boys—and positioned them near the county border. Their weapons included a fake cannon of wood painted black.

Colonel Fagg, unaware of the weakness of the opposition, stopped his advance three miles from the county line. Colonel Jones then sent negotiators under a flag of truce to Fagg's superior, Gen. John B. Henderson, stating that the Callaway "army" was committed to resistance. A treaty was signed, with each side promising not to invade the other.

In treating Callaway County with equality, the U.S. virtually gave it independent status, and it became known as the "Kingdom of Callaway."

--Idea submitted by John A. Dooley, St. Louis, MO. (Taken from Page 16- October 9, 1983 Parade Magazine)

In F C & L

Lt. Colonel Jack G. Grothe,

4th Military District SVR

Cmdg.

The Adjutant's Column

Gentlemen of the 4th Military District. The District is proud and honored to inform you that one of our newer Units, the 49th Iowa Volunteer Infantry, commanded by 1st Sgt David Lamb, has been awarded the SVR Meritorious Unit Citation for Distinguished Service in support of the SVR and its goals. The 49th was recipient of numerous local, state, and inter-state commendations and awards based on their support for various activities. Notwithstanding, is their designation as the "Iowa Rifles" and formal Proclamation from the Governor of Iowa as "The Governors Own".

The announcement was made at this year's national SUCVW encampment in Kansas City. The 49th, by its continued support of the SVR and Civil War based activities, had shown a defined and intense involvement of themselves and the SVR in remembrance and dedication actions. We applaud their dedication and support.

Also, be advised that said types of awards and commendations are based on your Annual enumeration of each Units activity during the year. All are eligible for such awards, based on your contributions to the SVR and its goals.

I remain, your most humble and obedient servant

Major R Champlin

Adj Gen 4th Mil Dist SVR.

New Unit for the 4th MD

Co D Phelps Regiment; Sgt Larry Toll Commanding, based in Springfield MO

Headquarters Company, 4th Military District

Members of the 4th MD HQ Company served in a variety of capacities this Summer. In southeastern Wisconsin, they served at the funeral of one of their own, marched in three parades, spoke to the public at one living history and performed support duties at the National Encampment.

On July 4th, despite temperatures in the 90s, brothers marched to the Lake Michigan lakefront in Kenosha's Civic Veterans parade, a distance of two miles.

On July 10th, during a slightly cooler day, they repeated their performance during at the South shore Frolics Parade on Milwaukee's south side. This time, they were able to fire their muskets to the enjoyment of the crowds lining the route.

On July 14th, Pvt. Brian McManus was one of two brothers, who guarded the casket of Pvt. Vic Share during the visitation and wake. He later served as a pall bearer, along with Company Commander Maj. Steve Michaels, 1Sgt. Tom Brown, Pvt. Pat Kulas (Cushing's Battery). Pvt. Dean Collins, a Catholic deacon, served as celebrant for the wake and graveside services.

On August 13 & 14th, Chaplain Lt. Jerry Kowalski served as chaplain at the 129th National Encampment in Overland Park, KS, while 1Sgt. Brown served on the Credentials Committee. Maj. Michaels

On August 27 & 28th, Pvts. Dean Collins, Bill Doan, Alan Hembel, Brian McManus, 1Sgt. Brown and Maj. Michaels manned an information booth, showed Civil War artifacts and weapons and conducted flag raising and lowering ceremonies at the West Allis Settlers Weekend.



On September 4th, company members marched in the St. Francis Days Parade.

←Members of the HQ Company, C.K. Pier Badger Camp 1, Auxiliary #4 and MG John Gibbon Camp 4 pause after completing the St. Francis Days Parade.

In F, C & L,

Major Steve Michaels
Commanding
Headquarters Company
4th Military District

Chaplain's Corner

As my wife and I went from our home near Chicago to the National Encampment in Overland Park, Kansas - we had occasion to drive thru parts of Iowa that had been inundated with rain. We saw corn fields where the only thing above water was the tassels at the end of the six plus foot stalks. There were miles and miles of destruction and desolation. We half expected to see an Ark loaded with animals floating along the highway.

Some farmers, I am sure, had bought crop insurance - against hail and rain. These farmers knew that their livelihood was protected, and that next year they would have the wherewithal to plant again. Others made the decision not to protect themselves. Some of them will lose their farms because of the economic destruction that the rains brought.

Religion and being a spiritual person is a lot like buying crop insurance. It is better to have it and not need it - than to need it and not have it. If there is no God, if there is no afterlife - if this is all there is - then going to Church, Keeping the Commandments and being a good Christian is a small price to pay, and little has been wasted. But if there is a God, and He really expects us to do what He has told us to do, and the consequence for not following His directions - is an eternity of pain, suffering and fire.....Well, as for me and my household - we will serve the Lord.

Chaplain Jerry



Mulligan's Battery L, 1st Illinois Lt. Artillery

Custer Camp 1 SVR unit Mulligan's Battery L at one of the five consecutive evenings

the unit fired a salute at the Traveling VietNam Wall in Northbrook, IL. Pictured are: Don Sherman, Mike Gregory, Rob Hauff, John Hauff, Tom Hauff, Everett Nylund. Also attending on different nights were Stewart Stefany, John Bigwood, Nick Kaup.



Company A, 2nd Missouri Infantry



← 1st Lieutenant Marty Aubuchon was one of the educational stations at the Parkway School District Civil War days (Photo courtesy of Marty Aubuchon)



Company A, 49th Iowa Volunteer Infantry

The Iowa Rifles

"THE GOVERNOR'S OWN"

Co. A, 49th Iowa Volunteer Infantry, has had a very busy second quarter.

On June 5 several members attended the Des Moines Farmers' Market for a "meet-and-greet" and fundraiser for our monument-restoration fund. The outing was a great success. That evening, the Regiment held its first-annual "birthday party". The weather, however forced the party inside. Nevertheless, the event was a marked success.

The Regiment received, and accepted an invitation to attend Cornerstone Family Church, in Des Moines on June 6th to recreate the "Juneteenth" proclamation of 1864, also known as 'General Order #3', or The Emancipation Proclamation at two services. The congregation of several hundred persons of mostly African descent, paid rapt attention to the brief reading of the four-sentence document by First Sgt. Lamb. "Juneteenth" is the combination of the words June nineteenth, the day the proclamation was read at Galveston, Texas by General Granger.

On June 12th, several members and their wives traveled to Muscatine, IA, to attend a fund-raising event to restore the Civil War monument there. The current monument, a badly-eroded white marble statue and a series of plaques listing local Civil War veterans around the base. The Regiment presented a check for \$500 to Mr. Lee Miller to assist with the project which will cost approximately \$400,000. The statue is to be replaced and a further 60+ names will be added to the plaques. Despite the rain that plagued the event, it was deemed a success. The monument is tentatively scheduled to be re-dedicated on July 4, 2010.

The celebration commemorating the Centennial of the Des Moines City Hall was the next Regimental event. Seven members, accompanied by wives and members of the Allied Orders were present. The Regiment's newest member, Frank Hanna, is the great-nephew of Mayor James Hanna, the man who presided over the building's dedication in 1910. Also present was Sister Eleanora McConley, who was born just a few weeks after the building's dedication.

On June 19th four members of the "Governor's Own" traveled to Lehigh, Iowa for their town celebration. Activities included a display table and participating in the parade.

Eight members of the "Governor's Own" participated in the Redfield, Iowa town celebration on June 25. Activities included the parade, a flag disposal ceremony, and a display table. The latter was located in front of the recently restored GAR hall.

The weekend of July 3-4 was very busy. On the 3rd, five members participated in the Urbandale, Iowa Independence Day parade. Four members assisted in carrying a 12-foot by 18-foot 34-star American flag. The fifth member carried the regimental colors. On July 4th, eight members took part in the rededication of the newly restored Grant Wood stained glass window in Cedar Rapids. Damaged by the severe flooding of 2009, this masterpiece has six life size soldiers depicted in the 3-story high panels. The six soldiers depicted represent the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Mexican War, the Civil War, the Spanish-American War and World War I.

On July 16th, Governor Chester Culver presented the 'Governor's Volunteer Recognition Award' to Co. A, 49th Iowa, SVR in recognition of efforts made in assisting the Battle Flag Restoration project. The award was accepted by 1st Sgt. David Lamb, commanding officer of the Regiment. Pvt. David Thompson received an individual award for his participation in the Battle Flag restoration lab. Both awards came from nominations by Sheila Hanke, Chief Conservator in the museum's laboratory.

Five Guardsmen and three of the Regiment's "Ladies" spent several hours doing a 'meet and greet' at the Des Moines downtown farmers' market on July 24th. Several thousand people stopped by and a great deal of literature was given out. The next day, July 25th, Dahl's Supermarket at 18th and Ingersoll was the scene of a 4-hour "meet and greet" that netted \$172.00 for our Monument Restoration fund.

Six members of the Regiment attended the National Encampment of the SUVCW in Overland Park, KS A On Aug. 16th, seven members participated in the annual parade at the Iowa State Fair.

Rounding out this quarter's list of activities on Aug. 28th was another 'meet and greet' at another of the Dahl's grocery stores in Des Moines. We added \$126.00 to our treasury thanks to the generosity of the passers-by. Five members of the Regiment attended accompanied by their ladies.

is at present making plans to deploy to Gettysburg in November, 2010, to the annual Remembrance Day ceremonies.

Corp. Mike Carr, Adjutant, Co A 49th Iowa

“The Governor’s Own” Receives Governor’s Volunteerism Award 16 July 2010

In ceremonies held today at the newly completed FFA Enrichment Center on the Ankeny Campus of the Des Moines Area Community College, The Honorable Chester Culver, Governor of the State of Iowa, awarded his “Governor’s Volunteer Recognition Awards for 2010” to the Guardsmen of Company “A” 49th Regiment Iowa Veteran Volunteer Infantry.

Today’s ceremonies honoring volunteerism in Iowa marks the twenty-seventh year that such awards have been given; and, Governor Culver in his remarks before handing out the awards, informed all present that only the state of Utah can boast a higher percentage of it’s populace that is involved in some sort of volunteer activities. He said that volunteerism in Iowa is engaged in by just over 40% of the population of the state.

The regiment’s award, recommended by Mrs. Sheila Hanke, Conservator for the Iowa Battle Flags Project of the State Historical Society of Iowa, is given in recognition of the participation of members of the unit in the moving of Iowa Battle Flags onto and off of public display at the Iowa Historical Museum and the Iowa State Capital Buildings in Des Moines. The unit assumed these duties in September of 2009 when it became apparent that funding for the moving of the flags would not be available.

Through that involvement, Color Sergeant David Thompson (who received an individual award at today’s ceremonies); and, then First Sergeant Lamb became part of the permanent volunteer staff in the Conservation Laboratory and each embarked upon the two-hundred hour on-the-job training program under Mrs. Hanke’s very capable oversight to become Volunteer Conservators for the project. Also supervising the volunteers in their efforts is Assistant Conservator Sarah Carlson who could not attend today’s ceremonies because she is preparing to take part in a Summer Internship through her Master’s program in London, England.

Thompson and Lamb would soon be joined on the project by Sister Mary Rittel (Grenville M. Dodge Camp Auxiliary member, and wife of Corporal Dan Rittel) who is doing much needed seamstress work for the project; and by Corporal Louis A. Zenti, who will be constructing the metal frameworks that the flags rest upon when placed upon public display.

Shown in the accompanying photographs are the actual certificate of award from the Governor; the Governor’s Volunteer Award pin that will henceforth become a part of the Dress Uniform of the 49th Iowa; and, a photograph of those present to receive the honor on behalf of the Regiment.

Shown (Left to right) are Corporal Frank Hanna, RCS Daniel E. Krock, First Sergeant David M. Lamb, Governor Chester Culver, and CS David L. Thompson.

Governor Culver told us that he has some two-hundred and thirty some letters written during the Civil War by his Great-grandfather to his great-grandmother and that he and his wife are in the process of planning a trip to visit all of the places that his ancestor fought with his Illinois Regiment over the course of the war. I respectfully suggested to the Governor that he needed to belong to the Department of Iowa, SUVCW. At that, he took my business card and promised that he would, “be in touch”.

Governor Culver was made Honorary Colonel-In-Chief of the 49th Iowa in February of this year when he signed the proclamation officially naming us to be “The Governor’s Own Iowa Rifles.”



Respectfully Submitted,

1/Sgt. David M. Lamb, Commanding, Company “A” 49th Regiment
Iowa Veteran Volunteer Infantry “The Governor’s Own Iowa Rifles”
Honor Guard Regiment for the Department of Iowa 2009-2010-2011



Company B, 10th Iowa Volunteer Infantry

Co. B, 10th Iowa Volunteer Infantry, has had a very busy Second Quarter of 2010.

During the month of May, the Regiment participated in six school programs and were able to teach almost 1,000 students about Civil War weapons, uniforms, infantry and artillery drill, food and medicine, civilian life, as well as Iowa's involvement in the Civil War.

On May 29th, nine members of our unit, nearly half the unit, traveled to Sioux City to assist in dedicating a military headstone for Corp. Daniel Houser, Co. H, 7th Iowa Cav. There were also large contingents there from the 49th Iowa and Nebraska Rangers, SVR.

2 LT Mike Carr, C.O. of the 10th Iowa, served as the Master of Ceremonies for the event.

Ten members of the unit participated in the Atlantic Memorial Day Ceremonies. The wreath for the G.A.R. was laid by Corporal Vern Damgaard, our Camp Commander. The wreath for veterans of WW II was laid by Private David Hancock. Others in attendance were 2 LT Mike Carr, 1st Sgt. Dennis Sasse, Privates Dave Burkett, Daniel Yowell, Bob Pauls, James and Andrew Braden and Glen Kelley.

On the weekend of July 17-18, Co. B, 10th Iowa participated in the "Railroad Days" celebration at the Dodge House, one-time residence of Major General Grenville M. Dodge, in Council Bluffs. The 2-day event saw over 2,000 persons visit the home of General Grenville M. Dodge. Eight members attended this event.

The weekend of July 24-25 saw three members of the unit put on a living history venue at the Harrison County Fair at Missouri Valley, Iowa. They were Corporal Vern Damgaard and privates Andrew Braden and Glen Kelley.

Three members of the Tenth Iowa also attended the National Encampment of the SUVCW in Overland Park, KS.

2 LT Mike Carr,
Commanding Officer



Company E, 47th Missouri Infantry

The 47th Missouri Infantry, Company E - SVR has been busy with several events lately. First, we participated in the Lt. Col. Felix St. James Camp 326's Civil War encampment in Ste. Genevieve, MO on Saturday, July 10,

2010. During this event we did drills and demonstrations for the public. Later that day we participated in the reenactment of the 1861 appropriation of funds from the local bank and captured two southern sympathizers as well.

Next, we were hosting a gravestone dedication ceremony for 1SGT Robert M. Womack of Company F, 50th Missouri Infantry. This veteran served in the Battle of Pilot Knob and later had the town of Womack, MO named for him (here he is buried). This ceremony turned out wonderfully and the 47th Missouri Infantry, Company E - SVR was graciously assisted by the 78th Enrolled Missouri Militia, Co. F - SVR, and a member from the 2nd Missouri Infantry, Co. A - SVR. This also was coupled with a magazine reporter wanting to do a special article on our group, which was followed up by a small photo shoot and article for the "Insider 573" magazine (September 2010 edition).

Then, on Saturday, July 24, 2010, members of the 2nd Missouri Infantry, Co. A - SVR held two ceremonies honoring Ulysses S. Grant. One was held at the Ulysses S. Grant National Historic Site (Whitehaven) in St. Louis and the other was in Ironton, MO. We assisted with the celebration in Ironton, on the spot where Grant received his Brigadier General's commission in 1861. The local newspaper ("The Mountain Echo") printed an article on this ceremony the following Wednesday on its front page.



Finally, we come to our latest activity which was the Valles Mines History Day on August 7, 2010. This event was a last minute one, but we were able to get four of our guys and two of the Louisa Volker Auxiliary 215 to participate. We dressed in our uniforms and period attire, fired various Civil War weapons, and demonstrated what an infantry soldier may have carried in our area. The crowds loved it and it benefited our groups as well, as one family is joining the Auxiliary and the Sons. This was furthered by news reporters and a photographer from the "Jefferson County Leader" which assured us that this would be in the paper.

In conclusion, our unit is gearing up for even more activities throughout September, October, and November, like a Civil War Fashion Show & Educational Activity at St. Francois State Park (near Bonne Terre, MO) and the Pilot Knob, MO reenactment. We hope to give the local communities a better understanding of what our ancestors did and to promote the SVR and SUVCW.

Photos (courtesy of Twyla warren): Submitted by, 2nd Lt. Chris Warren, Commanding



Company C 34th Illinois Volunteer Infantry Rock River Rifles



As we reflect on this day in history and how it has changed our life forever, may we remember those who died and their loved ones. May we never forget the willing sacrifice of the New York City Police and the New York City Fire Departments as they rushed in to save those they could. Remember our men and women in our Armed Forces serving on foreign soil.

Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty
1st Lt. Charles Ed Funck III, Commander



Company C, 5th Missouri Cavalry Regiment

We participated in numerous activities since the last Past & Review.

July 10 & 11, 2010 Living History Event in Ste. Genevieve, MO which is sponsored by the St. James Camp # 326 →

1st Sergeant Sonny Cummings & Sergeant Harold James
August 12-15, 2010 SUVCW National Encampment, Overland Park, Kansas



September 4-6, 2010
Lamonia, IA

← Captain Emmett Taylor on his new war horse Spirit and 2nd Lieutenant Gregory Decker lead the charge.



It is with sadness that we announce the loss of the Mother of Brother Gregory Decker. Please accept our sympathy and know that our prayers are with you and your family.

The Gen Alexander S. Asboth, Camp #5

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
&
Co. C, 5th Regt. MO Vol. Cavalry
Sons of Veterans Reserve

Invite you to attend a

Regimental Holiday Dinner
Saturday December 11, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

In

Ste. Genevieve, MO

The meal will be catered
Dress will be Federal Uniform or appropriate
civilian attire (modern or period) for gentlemen and ladies
Members of our Nations Armed Forces may wear
Dress or Mess attire

Please RSVP by November 30th to

Captain Emmet P. Taylor

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Corporal Gary Scheel

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Company F, 78th Enrolled Missouri Militia

On June 16, 2010, Company F was invited to the Ste. Genevieve Girl Scout Summer Camp to talk to the girls about the Civil War. Part of the activities that they were involved in was marching and firing weapons. Four of our members were able to attend. In one of our thank you notes from the leaders, she explained that in the survey of the camp a few of the girls said this was their favorite part of the camp.



On July 10 & 11 the Lt. Col. J. Felix St. James Camp # 326 sponsored a Civil War Living History. We re-enacted the major Civil War event in town. On August 15, 1861 Major John McDonald and a battalion of the 8th Missouri Infantry Regiment liberated nearly \$58, 000 from the Merchants Bank in Ste. Genevieve. In the photo to the left are members of Company F providing guard as Corporal Tom Greminger narrates the history of the re-enactment

the crowd is getting ready to see. Besides the 78th Enrolled Missouri Militia, several different SVR Units participated in the living history including members from the 5th Missouri Cavalry SVR, 47th Missouri Infantry SVR, 17th Missouri Infantry SVR, 1st MO Engineers SVR, 1st Mo Light Artillery SVR and 34th Illinois Infantry SVR.

Some of our upcoming events include the following.

October 9, 2010. Spirit Reunion at Memorial Cemetery in Ste. Genevieve, MO 6 to 8 p.m.

Members of Company F, will portray Union Veterans buried in the cemetery.

Last year there were twenty-one different spirits relating their personal history from those who died in the mid 1700's to those who died in the early 1880's.

December 4, 2010. Members of Company F will be participating in the annual Christmas Parade in Ste. Genevieve. This will be our second year to be asked to participate.

Reconnaissance



November 20, 2010; Remembrance Day Parade

This will mark the 54th Anniversary of this continuous and venerable occasion sponsored by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Sons of Veterans Reserve.

Online registration can be found for units:

<http://suvchw.org/RembrDay/2010/UnitRegForm.htm>

Online horse registration form can be found;

<http://suvchw.org/RembrDay/2010/HorseRegForm.htm>

To find all of the information you need to know go to

<http://suvchw.org/RembrDay/2010/index.html>

December 14, 2010; 5th Missouri Cavalry Regiment

Regimental Holiday Dinner in Ste. Genevieve, MO

For further details see the 5th Missouri Cavalry Regiment section of this newsletter.

Quote From the Past

The Ste. Genevieve Bank Seizure From another Perspective

"The town of St. Genevieve was surrounded by a military force during the night of the 15th of August 1861, by a battalion of Zouaves, commanded by Major John McDonald, since notorious for his trial before United States courts. After seizing the bank he took military possession of the town. The next day he demanded of the president, Firmin A. Rozier, of the branch bank of the Merchant's Bank of St. Louis, located here, the funds of the bank. After some parley the president delivered them under protest, and upon the condition to accompany the battalion to St. Louis on the steamer Hannibal. The Major had come for the money, and kept his eye steadily on his gun, insisting on a peaceable surrender. The money, a large amount, was taken on the steamer, having on board Mr. Rozier, the Major and the battalion of Zouaves. On arriving in St. Louis Mr. Rozier called at headquarters to see General Fremont, for an interview, who that day handed Mayor Howe an order to be delivered to Mr. Rozier for the funds of the bank, which were deposited with Colonel Robert Campbell, president of the Merchants Bank." Taken from Rozier's History of the Early Settlement of the Mississippi Valley by Firmin A. Rozier pages 113 & 114

The above book can be found at this web site:

<http://www.archive.org/stream/rozierhistoryof00rozi#page/n1/mode/2up>