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THREE-TIME WINNER OF THE NATIONAL MARSHALL HOPE NEWSLETTER OF THE YEAR AWARD

IT'S THE CAMP'S 120TH ANNIVERSARY



Two small Camps, # 35 and # 1, merged and selected C.K. Pier Badger Camp # 1 as their name, and the charter was dated Dec. 4, 1901. It was signed by DC Martin A. Grasse, who was a charter member of the combined Camp and had led C.K. Pier Camp # 35 in 1892. We continue their work – very strongly and very proudly – today.

See the entire charter on page 3.

PCinC Steve Michaels will make a patriotic presentation about our founders at the Dec. 8 Camp meeting, and in next month's Camp Orders.

The next Camp meeting will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the Lions Clubhouse, 7336 St. James St., Wauwatosa.



SPYING AND SCOUTING

BY PCC DAVID HOWARD



Between wars, and during wars, there is a lot of preparation for war. Also preparation for battles. That is where spies come in.

My own Civil War relative reportedly did some sort of spying, and was captured and sentenced to hang.

Tactical or battlefield intelligence was very vital to both sides during the war. Units of spies and scouts reported directly to the commanders of armies in the field, providing details on troop movements and strengths.

The distinction between spies and scouts is that a spy is not in uniform, while a scout is in some uniform to explore a wide terrain, as on a search; to reconnoiter. If a suspect was seized while in disguise and not in his army's uniform, the sentence often was to be hanged.

British-born Union spy Timothy Webster was the first spy to be executed during the war. He posed as a Confederate sympathizer and was able to collect important intelligence, but was caught and hanged by the Confederacy in Richmond, Va., in April 1862.

A spy named Will Talbot, Virginia Confederate cavalry, was left behind in Gettysburg after his battalion passed through the borough on June 26-27, 1863. He was captured, taken to Emmitsburg in northern Maryland, and executed on orders of Brig. Gen. John Buford, a cavalry officer.

A 1905 Milwaukee newspaper obituary of Pvt. John Henry Howard, of the 7th Wisconsin Infantry, was entitled "Was saved by Grant." I do not know

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REMEMBERING COL. PIER: FIRST ACTION AT PETERSBURG

These monthly articles about our Camp namesake are written by PCinC Steve Michaels. This item first was published in the November 2001 Camp Orders.

At 3 a.m. on Oct. 27, 1864, the 38th Wisconsin Infantry accompanied a reconnaissance force and moved toward Hatcher's Run. The Union Army's fifth offensive at Petersburg was getting underway, and the 38th was part of the 43,000-man force in the action. Overall, there were 57,000 bluecoats in the Petersburg lines.

Lt. Col. Pier had returned to the 38th the day before. For nearly three weeks, he had been detailed as president of the court martial at Division Headquarters. Now, he and his unit were part of a threefold mission:

Gen. Grant wanted (a) Gregg's cavalry division to disrupt and destroy the movement of Confederate supplies, (b) Hancock's II Corps to move deep into the Confederate rear or at least turn their flank, and (c) the V and IX Corps (of which the 38th was a part) to test the Confederate works along the Boydton Plank Road, which served as the Confederate supply line.

The IX Corps made slow progress, and it was 9 a.m. before the enemy position was determined. The position was complete and well-defended. The 38th's pickets became engaged with the enemy and the unit held the woods on the left of the line. Gen. Meade ordered entrenchments and that a connection be made with the existing Federal works.

Breastworks were thrown up that afternoon, but not before the Federals discovered that the enemy held the north side of Hatcher's Run in some force. At 4 p.m., the Confederate attack came and the Federal perimeter held. The Confederates were driven off by nightfall.

Their positions were stronger than anticipated – Hancock was in an exposed position; the Union cavalry had used up its ammunition, and the decision was made to withdraw. A slow start, poor weather and horrendous terrain also had contributed to the decision.

Although under fire for nearly 22 hours, the 38th Wisconsin sustained little loss. With only three men wounded, the unit was lucky. Federal casualties at Hatcher's Run were listed at 1,758. The main force withdrew and the 38th returned to camp on Oct. 28, remaining there until the opening of the spring campaign.

In little more than three months, Gen. Grant launched another offensive across Hatcher's Run. This time, the Union was successful in cutting the Confederate supply route and the railroad to Petersburg, hastening the end of the war. However, that time, Pier and the 38th Wisconsin would not play a part.

From Military History of Wisconsin by E.B. Quiner; Wisconsin in the War of Rebellion by William DeVoss Love; The Siege of Petersburg by James F. Epperson (website)

In the name and by the authority of the

SONS OF VETERANS

OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



To all unto whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Know Ye, That, reposing Special Trust and Confidence in our Worthing Brothers
*Harry Fuller, Oscar Dittmar, Geo. Steuermann, Carl Goldsmith, Aug. A. Goldsmith,
H. C. Radtke, J. O. Schorer, Wm. A. Quetz, U. S. Braland, Frederic G. Bogart,
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Georg Schaughency, H. J. Wolf, Ed. Walther, Dr. Ph. Schmidt, H. A. Strothmann,
C. F. Fairchild, Frank Allen, Rev. H. J. Cutler, Sherman S. Spurr, Phil Le Grand,
C. Henock, Paul Hampel & Frank Trisler.*

By virtue of the authority vested in me, I hereby constitute them, their associates and successors a

CAMP OF THE SONS OF VETERANS TO BE KNOWN AS

A. Pair Badger **CAMP, NO. 1**, DIVISION OF *Wisconsin*
located at *Milwaukee* and as such they are hereby duly authorized and empowered to
perform all acts necessary to conduct the business of said Camp, in accordance with the constitution
provided for its government and the general rules and regulations of the Order.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and have caused the Division Seal to be
affixed at *Milwaukee* in the State of *Wisconsin* this fourth day of
December in the year of our Lord One Thousand ^{nine} *Eight* Hundred and one
and in the One Hundred and twenty-sixth year of the Independence of the United States of
America.

Martin A. Grasse,

Colonel Commanding Division of *Wisconsin*,
Headquarters Commandery-in-Chief,
Washington D.C. December 2nd 1890

Approved and Published

Charles S. Davis
Commander-in-Chief

With rank from November 29, 1890

Henry A. Goldsmith
Sergeant
Resident No. 1 Page 349

Charles S. Davis
Adjutant General



Rich Young of the disbanded Camp 5 has joined our Camp as a lineal member.

Young lives in Port Washington. His relative of record is Pvt. Frederick H. Young, 5th Wisconsin Light Artillery.

Welcome, Rich!!!

Spies – continued from page 2

which of Milwaukee’s many papers ran this item. The story is tantalizing but likely the product of often-told tales that got embellished.

It said Howard, 80, “was captured by the Confederates and sentenced to be hung, but Gen. Grant, a personal friend, sent word to the Confederate officers that if Howard was executed, two of the captive Confederate officers would be executed in retaliation. On this representation, the sentence was commuted to imprisonment in Andersonville.”

According to the Wisconsin roster, Howard was captured on June 21, 1864.

I found out from muster rolls that Howard went out with a lieutenant on a Secret Service mission, and was captured.

Howard is buried at Pilgrims Rest Cemetery on the South Side. His tombstone lists the 7th Infantry and “Secret Service Andersonville.”

There were several units that referred to themselves as “Secret Service” from the start of the war. Alan Pinkerton served as leader of the Union Intelligence Service during the first two years, heading off an alleged assassination plot in Baltimore, Md., while guarding Abraham Lincoln on his way to Washington, D.C., as well as identifying troop numbers in military campaigns.

Pinkerton’s agents often worked undercover as Confederate soldiers and sympathizers, according to https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Allan_Pinkerton#American_Civil_War

For more about the spy issue, see <https://www.history.com/topics/american-civil-war/civil-war-spies> and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American_Civil_War_spies

CIVIL WAR TRIVIA

Q: How did Old Abe spend time in the heat of the battle at Vicksburg?

A: A spent ball glanced off the breast of the eagle mascot of the 8th Wisconsin Infantry. He took flight and dragged his bearer a few feet. The Wisconsinites – both man and bird – soon had enough and withdrew into the ravines for protection. Somehow, a member of the regiment caught a live rabbit and took him to Old Abe. The eagle immediately caught it with his claws and began his work. “There, amidst the rage of battle,” one Wisconsin soldier wrote, “he devoured his prey, heedless of noise and excitement.” This is told on pages 292-293 of “The Union Assaults at Vicksburg,” a 2020 book by Timothy B. Smith.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 21 – Dean Collins
- 30 – Steven Wortman



COMING UP

Here are activities in the next few weeks.

Christmas party: CinC Michael Paquette and Auxiliary National President Allison Michaels Pollitt will attend this luncheon, which is at Alioto’s on Dec. 4. PDC Kent Petersen has details at kapeterson@wi.rr.com

Patriotic Luncheon: The revised speaker at the Feb. 5 event will be Max Daniels as Abraham Lincoln. Author Stephen Rogstad, our initial choice, later reported he had a mandatory trip out of state.

Camp Commander – Brian Craig
(414) 418-9776

SVC – PDC Tom Brown (414) 429-8979
<https://www.facebook.com/CKPierBadger>
and <http://www.suvcw-wi.org>

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WHERE WE SERVED AND FOUGHT

– A SERIES SALUTING THE ANCESTORS OF CAMP 1 BROTHERS



**BROTHER
KEITH RAHN'S
ANCESTOR: PVT.
WILLIAM MILES
TIMBLIN**

Enlisted in 139th Pennsylvania Infantry, Co. B, on Sept. 1, 1862.

Mustered out June 21, 1865.

Was from Armstrong County in western Pennsylvania.

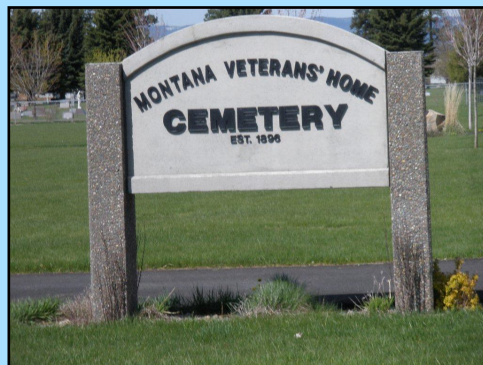
The 139th was organized at Pittsburgh on Sept. 1, 1862. Its first duty, only a few days later, was burying the dead at Bull Run, Va.; then it was in reserve at Antietam. It fought in both battles of Fredericksburg, Gettysburg, the Wilderness and Spotsylvania, Petersburg and Appomattox. It was one of the regiments taking the surrender of Lee.

See <http://civilwararchive.com/Unreght/unpainf6.htm#139th>

Born Feb. 18, 1843.

Died June 28, 1909.

Buried at Montana Veterans Home Cemetery, at Columbia Falls in northwestern Montana.



Photos from Find a Grave

You're invited to our 52nd Annual **Patriotic Luncheon**

Honoring Presidents Washington, Lincoln and McKinley

Saturday, February 5, 2022 at 12:30 p.m.



Guest Speaker: Max Daniels

Appearing as President Abraham Lincoln

“Lincoln’s Constitutional Conundrums”

- Bid on premium silent auction items
- Choose from a multitude of prizes in our \$1 raffle
- Make new friends among more than 30 patriotic, hereditary, fraternal, historical and service organizations in attendance
- Luncheon buffet price \$25 per person

Location: Alioto’s Restaurant

3041 N. Mayfair Rd., Wauwatosa, Wis.

Luncheon buffet includes:

Tenderloin Tips with Noodles or Roast Turkey with Sage Dressing
Served with assorted relish tray, pasta salad, mixed vegetables, buttered new potatoes, Jello, tossed green salad, Italian bread, coffee, tea or milk, sheet cake for dessert

**Hosted by C.K. Pier Badger Camp #1 and Auxiliary #4
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War**

Registration form and program advertising information on reverse side.

For more information, call (414) 614-3690

Spread Your Message in the 2022 Patriotic Luncheon Program

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and its Auxiliary began the observance with a speaker's program in February 1890. We invite you to be a part of this long tradition, by placing an ad in the luncheon program booklet. Proceeds from ad sales are used to support history education in schools and the community, Eagle Scout recognition programs and Civil War monument restoration. Use the order form at the bottom of this page to place an order for your ad.

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Elizabeth Craig, 3422 N. 79th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53222

Due to volume of sales, we cannot guarantee ad placement in booklet, with exception of back cover.



2022 Patriotic Luncheon Meal Reservation Form

Deadline for meal reservations is Friday, Jan. 28, 2022.

Name(s): _____

Organizational Affiliation: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

I/we would like to join you at the Patriotic Luncheon: _____ meals X \$25 each = \$ _____



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