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Identity Statement:

Title: New Jersey Grand Army of the Republic
Collection

(1861 - 1969)

Extent of the unit of description: 3 boxes; 1 linear foot

Scope & Content / Abstract:

Abstract: This Collection consists of post- Civil War papers, pamphlets, records, and artifacts of New Jersey members of the Grand Army of the Republic. The items are related to GAR reunions, Memorial Day celebrations, burial services, and the records of individual GAR members. The collection would interest any researcher of civil war veterans and their activities after the war.

Scope and Content: This collection is arranged in eight folders that include records of individuals and of celebratory and other events. The first two folders contain records of Charles Ryno and John Ramsey. The third folder is a roster of Civil War veterans. The fourth folder is comprised of general orders. Folders five and six contain information relevant to burial ceremonies and Memorial Day celebrations. The seventh folder contains procedural documents, and the last folder contains a small amount of miscellaneous documents.

Context:

Administrative / Biographical history: The Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) was a fraternal organization composed of veterans of the Union Army who served in the American Civil War. Founded in 1866, it was dissolved in 1956 when its last member died. Linking men through their experience of the war, the GAR became among the first organized advocacy groups in American politics, supporting voting rights for black veterans, lobbying the US Congress to establish veterans' pensions, and supporting Republican political candidates. Its peak of membership at more than 400,000 was in 1890, a high point of Civil War commemorative ceremonies. It was succeeded by the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW), composed of male descendants of Union veterans.

The GAR was organized into "Departments" at the state level and "Posts" at the community level, and military-style uniforms were worn by its members. There were posts in every state in the U.S., and several posts overseas. It held an annual "National Encampment" every year from 1866 to 1949.

Structure:**Disposition:****Disposition date:****Conditions of Access & Use:**

Access conditions: During open library hours of the Society (12 PM to 4 PM every Thursday; 10 AM to 4 PM every 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month; and by appointment)

Language of material: English

Finding Aids: In Vertical File

Allied Materials:

Related units of description in this repository: Collection 10, Records of the Lambert Boeman Post 48 GAR
Collection 89, Records of the Major C.A. Angel Post 20, GAR

Collection HCHS Manuscript Collection

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