

Encampments

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2019 National Encampment, August 8-10, 2018, Independence, OH



Ben Harrison Camp No. 356 members shown include: Tim Beckman, PDC –
Indiana; Jim Floyd, PCC – JVDC, Dept. of Indiana; Bruce Kolb, PDC;

Midwinter Encampment – January 26, 2019
Valparaiso, Indiana
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Department of Indiana





2018 National Encampment, August 9-12, 2018, Framingham, Massachusetts

inson, PCC, Dept. SVC.

132nd Encampment – June 2, 2018
Kokomo, Indiana
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Department of Indiana

2018-2019 ELECTED OFFICERS

Department Commander: Tim Beckman, PCC
Department Senior Vice-Commander: Dennis Hutchinson, PCC
Department Junior Vice-Commander: Jim Floyd, PCC
Department Secretary: Alan Teller, PDC
Department Treasurer: Gib Young, PDC
Department Council: Dennis Rigsby, PDC
Department Council: Mike Beck, PDC
Department Council: Bruce Kolb, PDC

2018-2019 APPOINTED OFFICERS

Department Signals Officer: Tim Beckman, PCC
Department Historian: Bruce Kolb, PDC
The Legion Editor: Gib Young, PDC
Department Chaplain: Tom Ashley
Department Civil War Memorials Officer: Mike Beck, PDC
Department Eagle Scout Coordinator: Mike Beck, PDC
Department Patriotic Instructor: Dennis Hutchinson
Department Graves Registration Officer: Rick Weigmann
Department G.A.R. Highway Officer: Bill Adams, PDC
Department G.A.R. Records Officer: Bruce Kolb, PDC



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**2018 Department of Indiana Midwinter Encampment,
January 27, 2018, Eden, Indiana – hosted by Ben**

Harrison Camp No. 356























Break Slideshow



Midwinter Encampment

—Dennis Rigsby, Commander, Department of Indiana—



G.A.R. Review, Indianapolis



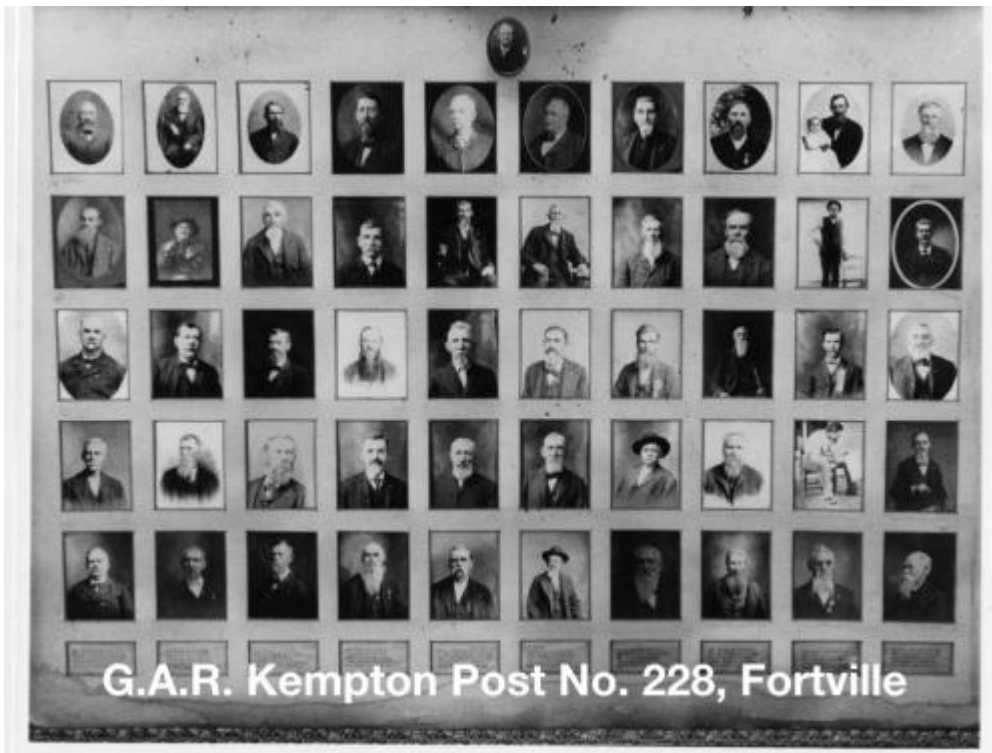


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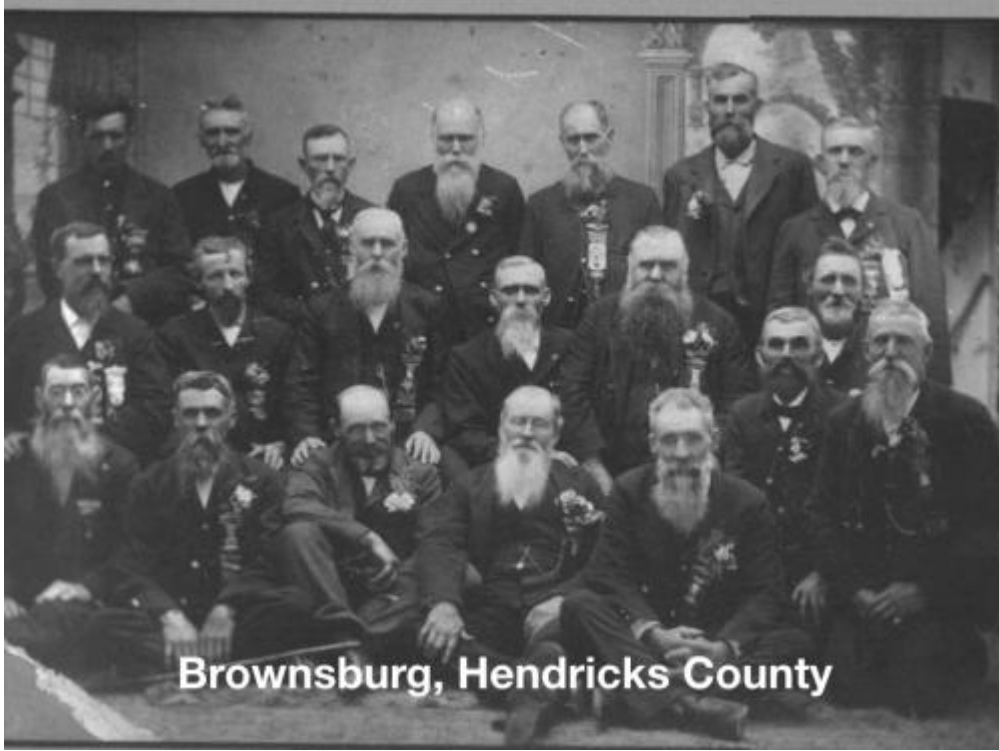
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G.A.R. Kempton Post No. 228, Fortville



Syracuse, IN



Brownsburg, Hendricks County

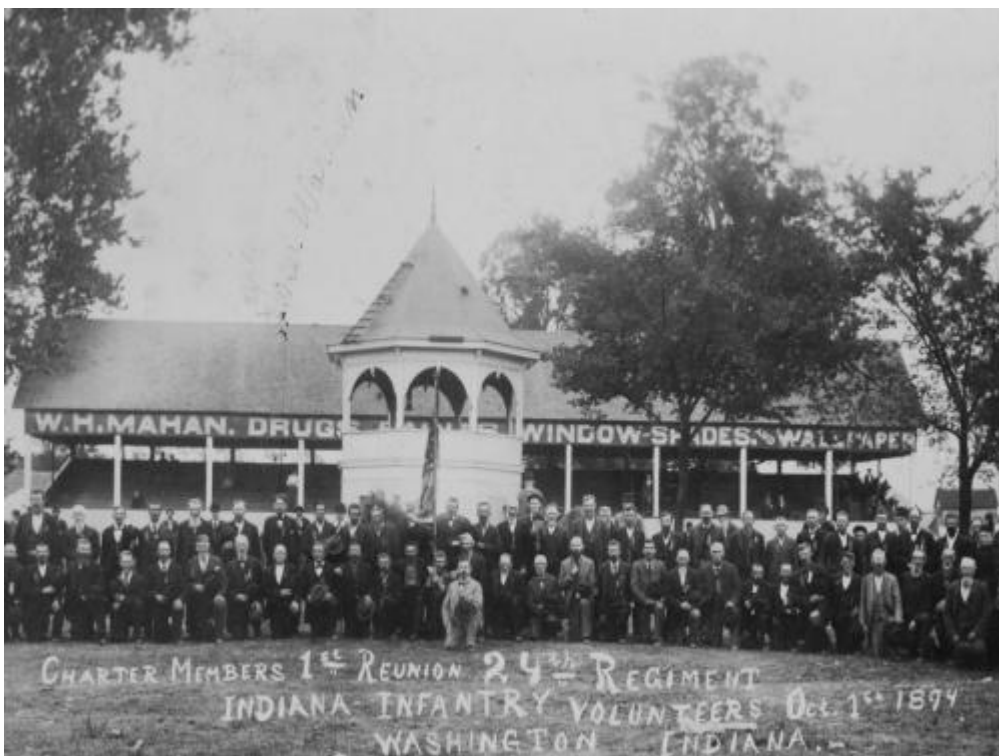


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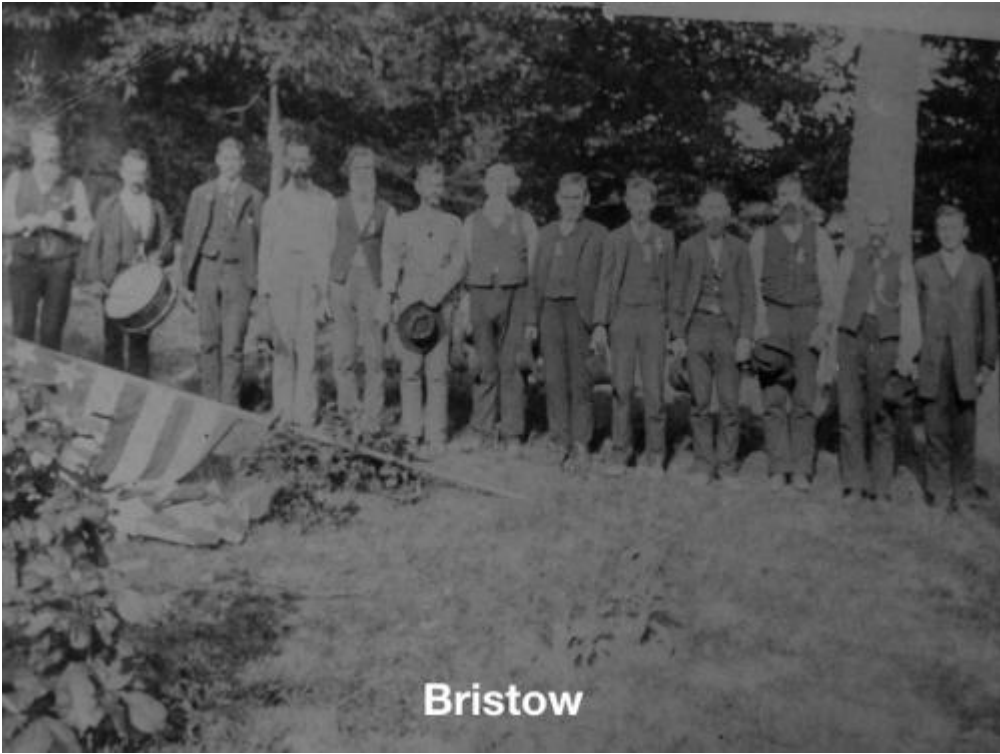
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Decoration Day, Decatur County



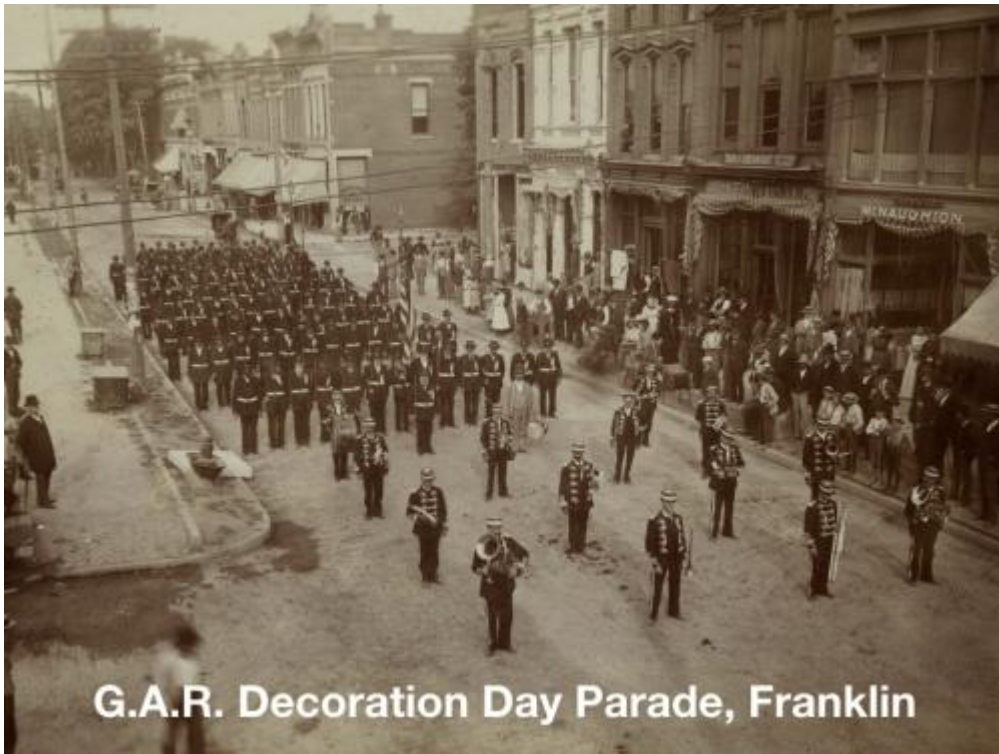
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WASHINGTON INDIANA.



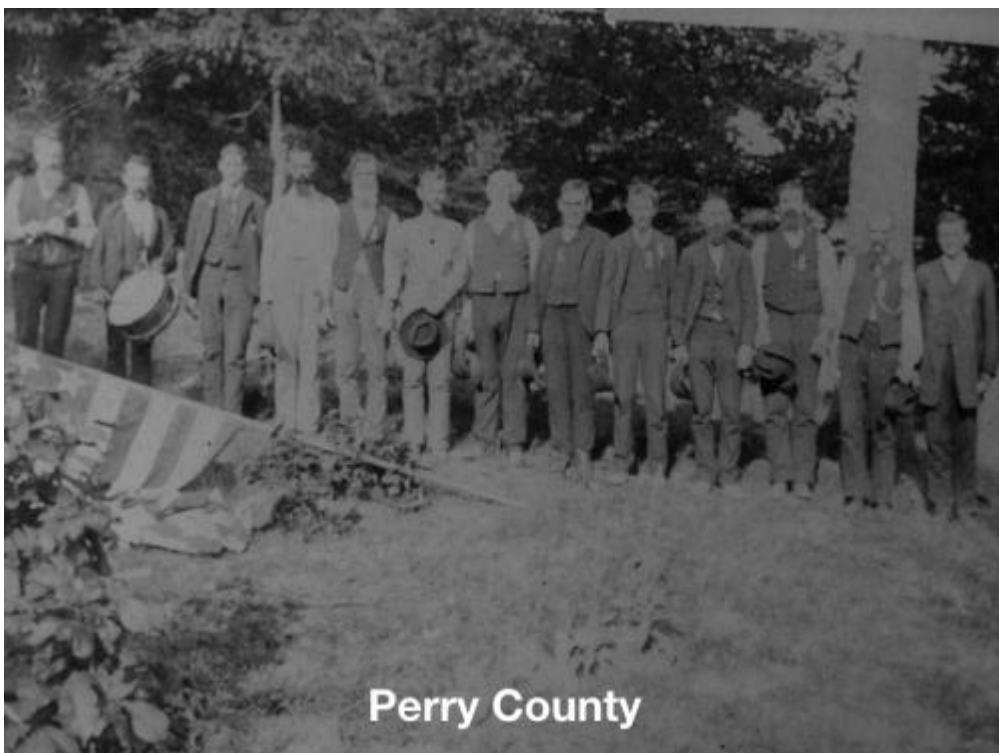
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Brownsburg



G.A.R. Decoration Day Parade, Franklin



Perry County

Poem read during the Cemetery Memorial Service

When the Boys in Blue Are Gone

Written by Jonathan Hendricks
Last Surviving Member - 89th Indiana Volunteer Infantry



When the comrades have departed,
When the veterans are no more,
When the bugle call is sounded
On that evening shore,
When life's weary march is ended,
When castles tumble long,
Who will tell the world the story,
When the boys in blue are gone?

Who will tell about their marching,
From Atlanta to the Sea?
Who will hail, and wail, and lament,
When they hear the reveille?
Who will join to swell the chorus,
Of some old, Grand Army song?
Who will tell the world the story,
When the boys in blue are gone?

Sons and daughters of this nation,
You must tell of triumph won;
When on earth our work is ended,
And the Veterans claim his own,
You must all chant Old Glory,
And its teachings pass along,
You must tell the world the story,
When the boys in blue are gone.

To that flag, our country's emblem,
You must pledge allegiance, too,
To that flag, our nation's emblem,
May your hearts be ever true,
That the nation be protected,
Against injustice, and all wrong,
You must tell the world the story,
When the boys in blue are gone.

You must keep your country's honor,
From each stripe withheld all stain,
You must take the Veterans' places,
And repeat the call of base,
You must keep your country's honor,
And your flag alone all wrong,
Then we'll trust you with the story,
When the boys in blue are gone.

Poem referenced during the SUCVW and Allied Orders Memorial Service

The Vacant Chair

Written by H.S. Washburn
after the death of Lt. John William Groat
of the 15th Massachusetts Infantry at the Battle of Bull's Bluff



We shall meet but we shall miss him,
There will be one vacant chair,
We shall linger to caress him
While we breathe our evening prayer,
When our year ago we gathered,
Joy was in his mild blue eye,
Now the golden cord is severed,
And our hopes in ruin lie.

At our bedside, sad and lonely,
Often will the bosom swell
At remembrance of the story
How our noble Willie fell,
How he strove to bear the banner
Thro' the thickest of the fight
And uphold our country's honor
In the strength of manhood's might.

True, they tell us wreaths of glory
Evermore will deck his brow,
But this soothes the anguish only,
Sweeping o'er our heartstrings now,
Sleep today, O early fallen,
In thy green and narrow bed
Drops from the pine and cypress
Mingle with the tears we shed.

Registration Flyer



2017 National Encampment, August 10-13, 2017, Lansing, Michigan



Department of Indiana delegates at the 136th Annual Encampment of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic. (L to

R) FRONT ROW: Dennis Rigsby, IN Dept Commander – Bill Adams, PDC – Mark Day, CinC – Tim Beckman, PCC – Tom Schmidt. BACK ROW: Dennis Hutchinson – John Bowyer, PCC – Alan Teller, PDC – Jim Floyd – Mike Beck, PDC – Larry Myer – Bruce Kolb, PDC.

2017 Department of Indiana Encampment, June 3, 2017, Kokomo, Indiana







**2016 National Encampment, August 10-13, 2016,
Springfield, Illinois**



2016 Department of Indiana Encampment, June 4, 2016, Kokomo, Indiana







**2016 Department of Indiana Midwinter Encampment,
January 30, 2016, Greenwood, Indiana – hosted by
Ben Harrison Camp No. 356**



