

SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR PICACHO PEAK CAMP #1 ARIZONA CAMP-at-LARGE

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**CAMP NEWSLETTER**  
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October 2005

LAST UNION CIVIL WAR SOLDIER BURIED IN ARIZONA TO BE HONORED....

Parker Louis Gordon will be honored by our Camp as the last Union Civil War Soldier to be buried in Arizona on Saturday, November 19, 2005, at the Greenwood Cemetery in Phoenix. Time: 10:00 a.m.

Parker Louis Gordon ran away from home three times and tried to join the men in blue. Finally, at age 16 he succeeded. In 1863 he was made a drummer boy, then an infantryman, in the 154th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry. He saw much action in Tennessee.

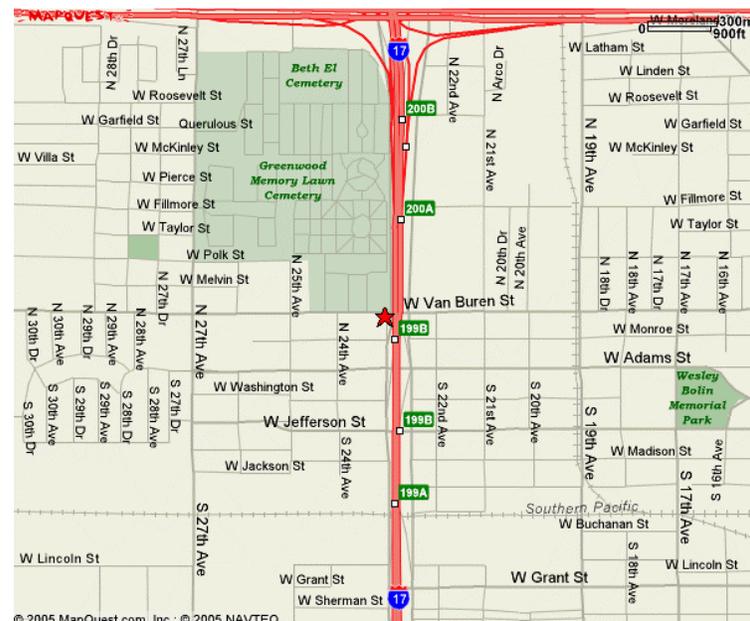
He was born on September, 1, 1847, in Steelville, Ill., and died on December 5, 1946 in Phoenix. He was entombed in the Greenwood Mausoleum on December 7, 1946, at the age of 99 years.

Guests attending will include: Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and reenactors from the Arizona Civil War Council. A news media release will also be made inviting the public.

Since this takes place on our regularly scheduled Camp meeting date, all Brothers, wives and guests (excluding the general public) are invited to Coco's Restaurant, 4514 E. Cactus, Phoenix, for a luncheon and Camp meeting at noon. (This should give ample time to drive from the cemetery to the meeting location.)

Seating at the event is limited, so if you want to be ensured a seat, bring a folding chair (the entire seating area is covered). The ceremony shouldn't take more than about ½ hour.

Location: Greenwood Cemetery is located on the northwest corner of I-17 and Van Buren in Phoenix (2300 W. Van Buren). As one drives west from the freeway on Van Buren, the entrance is the first driveway on the right (north side). The mausoleum is located on the west (left) side soon after entering the cemetery. We will have Camp members at the location directing you. Please give yourself plenty of time since we will start promptly at 10:00 a.m.



Directions to Coco's Restaurant from Greenwood Cemetery

The easiest and quickest way from the cemetery to Coco's is as follows:

From Van Buren go north on I-17 (about 3/4th of a mile) to I-10. Proceed east on I-10 to state highway 51 and then north on the 51. Take this to Cactus and then east on Cactus to Coco's (4514 E. Cactus).

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 20TH CAMP MEETING

Location: Coco's Restaurant
4514 E. Cactus, Phx, AZ

The summer Camp meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Camp Commander David Swanson. In attendance were 26 brothers, wives, guests. **Nancy Davis**, President of the Arizona Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War and members of the Arizona Civil War Council honored us by their attendance.

Last Soldier Project. Commander Swanson advised that, after applying to the National Organization, our camp was reimbursed \$600.00 from its Memorial Grant fund. This covers the amount of money Brothers voted to spend from our treasury during the February meeting. (This was also the maximum amount that could be reimbursed from National.)

Camp Flag. Discussion took place regarding our purchasing a Camp flag. We are probably one of the few Camps in the country without one. Brothers approved the expenditure of \$500.00 for a regulation Camp flag and stand.

Luncheon Speaker. Brother **Al Harrica** gave a very informative presentation not only on how he came about writing his book *They Saved a Nation; 1861-1865, A Soldiers Story; How They Lived and Died*, but about the events in it as well. Thank you Al for an excellent presentation!

CAMP OFFICER POSITIONS OPEN

By Camp Commander David Swanson

Each November our Camp elects and installs officers for the following year. Active participation of members or associate members filling Camp offices will ensure that the Camp is the best one in the SUVCW!

The following offices are open:

Patriotic Instructor. Duties: Educate Brothers and general public with information that will help foster patriotism.

Graves Registration Officer. Duties: Locate, record, and certain the condition of and bring to the attention of proper authorities the need for repair or replacement of grave markers/memorials of Civil War veterans.

Color Bearer. Duties: Care for the Camp colors (bring flags to and from the meetings).

None of these offices are all that time consuming. Please help your Camp by filling one of these positions. *Contact me for more information.* There is no entry test, performance rating, or pay, but you will be listed in the Officer section at the end of all newsletters! Don't think that they will be filled before you contact me: they have not been filled since the announcement last year (or was it the year before).

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

During your travels, if you run across any men who want to join the SUVCW and our Camp, but don't have any ancestors in the Civil War, tell them they are more than welcome. They have all the rights and responsibilities of Camp members who have Civil War ancestors. That means they can hold any Camp office and get as involved as they wish. Contact our Junior Vice Commander or Commander for information or assistance.

CAMP DUES

Well, it is getting to that time again. Please take the time to send in your 2006 dues. You can use the form on page seven even if you are not attending the November meeting.

Annual dues are \$31.00 for Brothers and Associates; \$10.00 for Juniors. And *no*, Brothers and Associates can't be reclassified as a Juniors (I know what some of you are thinking!)

Martial Law and the Territory of Arizona

By David A. Swanson

In early 1862 the California Column (2200 Union troops) was formed to assist the Department of New Mexico in expelling Confederate forces from its territory. This included part of the New Mexico territory occupied by Confederate forces which had been proclaimed as the Confederate Territory of Arizona by that government.

By June 1862 Confederate forces had been driven from Tucson and by August they had been driven out of the territories and back into the Confederate state of Texas.

In March 1862 a bill was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives to create the territory of Arizona from a portion of the territory of New Mexico. (This territory in no way resembled the Confederate one, however; it was the same as the current Arizona state boundary with the exception of 12,000 acres lying west of the Colorado river which was later annexed into the state of Nevada.)

On June 8, 1862, Col. James Carlton Commander of the California Column proclaimed martial law in this new territory (it wouldn't become an official territory until February 24, 1863, when the act was signed by President Lincoln).

The following is a copy of the order by Colonel Carleton organizing the territory of Arizona, and placing it under martial law:

To all whom it may concern:

The Congress of the United States has set apart a portion of New Mexico, and organized it into a Territory complete by itself.

This is known as the Territory of Arizona. It comprises within its limits all the country eastward from the Colorado River, which is now occupied by the forces of the United States, known as the 'Column from California.' And as the flag of the United States shall be carried by this Column still further eastward, these limits will extend in that direction until they reach the furthest geographical boundary of this Territory.

Now, in the present chaotic state in which Arizona is found to be, with no civil officers to administer the laws, indeed, with an utter absence of all civil

authority, and with no security of life and property within its borders, it becomes the duty of the undersigned to represent the authority of the United States over the people of Arizona, as well as over all those who compose, or are connected with, the Column from California.

Thus, by virtue of his office as Military Commander of the United States forces now here, and to meet the fact that wherever within our boundaries our colors fly, there the Sovereign power of our country must at once be acknowledged and law and order at once prevail, the undersigned as a Military Governor assumes control of this Territory until such time as the President of the United States shall otherwise direct.

Thus also it is hereby declared that until Civil officers shall be sent by the Government to organize the civil Courts for the administration of justice, the Territory of Arizona is hereby placed under martial law.

Trials for capital offenses shall be held by a Military Commission, to be composed of not more than thirteen nor less than nine commissioned officers.

The rules of evidence shall be those customary in practice under the common law.

The trials shall be public, and shall be trials of record; and the mode of procedure shall be strictly in accordance with that of Courts martial in the Army of the United States.

Unless the public safety absolutely requires it, no execution shall follow conviction unless the orders in the case by the President shall be known.

Trials for minor offenses shall be held under the same rules, except that for these a Commission of not more than five nor less than three commissioned officers may sit, and a vote of the majority shall determine the issue. In these cases the orders of the officer organizing the Commission shall be final.

All matters relating to rights in property and land which may be in dispute, shall be determined for the time being by a Military Commission, to be composed of not more than five or less than three commissioned officers. Of course, appeals from the decisions of such Commissions can be take to Civil Courts when once the later have been established.
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There are certain fundamental rules for the government of the people of this Territory, which shall be rigidly enforced;

No man who has arrived at lawful age shall be permitted to reside within this Territory who does not, without delay, subscribe to the oath of allegiance to the United States.

No words or acts calculated to impair that veneration which all good patriots should feel for our country and Government will be tolerated within this Territory or go unpunished, if sufficient proof be had of them.

No man who does not pursue some lawful calling, or have some legitimate means of support, shall be permitted to remain in the Territory.

Having no thought or motive in all this but the good of the people, and aiming only to do right, the undersigned confidently hopes and expects in all he does to further these ends to have the hearty co-operation of every good citizen and soldier in Arizona.

All this is to go into effect from and after this date, and will continue in force unless disapproved or modified by General George Wright, United States Army, commanding, the Department of the Pacific, under whose orders the Column from California has taken the field.

Done at headquarters of the Column from California, in Tucson, Ariz., this eighth day of June, A. D. 1862.

James H. Carleton,

Colonel First California Volunteers, Major U. S. Sixth Cavalry.

This was approved by G. Wright, Brigadier-General, U.S. Army, Dept. of the Pacific, June 28, 1862

Now, the new territory needed a source of revenue; taxes!

Executive Department, Ariz. Territory.

Tucson, June 12, 1862.

To All Whom It may Concern:

Be it known:

I. That from and after this date a monthly tax of five (\$5) dollars for license to trade shall be levied on all merchants

in Tucson, Arizona, including those who shall traffic within a mile in every direction from its suburbs, whose monthly sales of merchandise amount to five hundred (\$500) dollars, or under, and an additional tax of one (\$1) dollar per month for each additional monthly sale of one hundred dollars.

1. **II.** That every keeper of a gambling house within the aforesaid limits shall pay a tax of one hundred (\$100) dollars per month for each and every table in said house whereon any banking game is played.
2. **III.** That every keeper of a bar, where wines, spirituous or malt liquors are to be sold, shall pay a tax of one hundred (\$100) dollars per month to keep said bar.
3. **IV.** All keepers of gambling-houses, for the non-payment of license for gambling tables, will be fined fifty (\$50) dollars for the first offense; for the second offense he shall have his money, implements, tools, etc., seized and the same shall be confiscated, and he shall pay a fine of one hundred (\$100) dollars, and be forbidden to again gamble in this Territory.
4. **V.** Any person who, after this date, shall sell, without a license, any intoxicating liquors or drinks, shall be fined fifty (\$50) dollars for the first offense; for the second offense he shall pay a fine of one hundred (\$100) dollars, and forfeit all the liquors in his possession.
5. **VI.** The commanding officer of Tucson is hereby empowered to grant licenses under these rules, and collect all taxes, fines and forfeitures. The moneys thus collected shall be turned over to the Medical Director, who shall receipt for the same and add it to the Hospital Fund, to be used exclusively for the benefit of the sick and wounded soldiers belonging to the Column from California until further orders.
6. **VII.** All sales made by the Government of the United States shall be exempt from taxation, and no license is necessary for the sale of forage, subsistence stores, fruits or vegetables.

By order of Colonel Carleton.

Ben C. Cutler,

Act. Asst. Adj.-Genl. Military Secretary of State.

**Private Adam Pulling
Company F
124th Illinois Infantry Regiment
August 11, 1862 – June 2, 1863**

Great-great-great granduncle of Nathan G. Cups

Adam Pulling was born in 1837 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. His parents were Thomas Pulling and Sarah Haines. When he was young the family moved to Steubenville, Ohio and on to Mason County, Illinois in 1849. On January 10, 1856, he married Mary Ann Vanlaningham at Mason County, Illinois. He had two sons, John and Nathan.

On August 11, 1862, he enlisted in Company F, 124th Illinois Infantry for 3 years at Kewanee, Henry County, Illinois. Adam Pulling was 5 feet 7 ½ inches tall, with light complexion, grey eyes, light hair, and was a farmer.

The 124th Illinois Infantry was recruited from Henry, Kane, McDonough, Sangamon, Jersey, Adams, Wayne, Cook, Putnam, Pike, Mercer and Christian Counties. August 27, 1862, the first company went into camp at Camp Butler, near Springfield. September 10th it was mustered into the United States service for three years. The regiment's service was as follows, attached to 1st Brigade, 3rd Division, Right Wing 13th Army Corps (Old), Dept. of the Tennessee, to December, 1862. 1st Brigade, 3rd Division, 17th Army Corps, Army of the Tennessee to April, 1864. Maltby's Brigade, District of Vicksburg, Miss., to October, 1864. 1st Brigade, 2nd Division, 19th Army Corps, Dept. of the Gulf, October, 1864. Maltby's Brigade, District of Vicksburg, Miss., to February, 1865. 3rd Brigade, 3rd Division, 16th Army Corps (New), Military Division West Mississippi, to August, 1865.

Adam Pulling served with the regiment during Grant's Central Mississippi Campaign and was involved in the following operations; May 1st, the battle of Thompson's Hills, or Port Gibson, May 12th, the battle of Raymond, May 14th, the capture of Jackson and May 16th, the battle of Champion Hills.

On June 2, 1863, Adam Pulling was killed in action while the 124th Illinois was involved in the siege of Vicksburg, Mississippi. His service record casualty sheet states the following; "Killed on the 2nd day of June 1863 while sharpshooting from a rifle pit near rebel fortifications, Vicksburg, Miss. by a rifle ball passing through his head". He left no personal effects and was buried in Vicksburg National Cemetery, Section G, Grave # 4352.

ANCESTOR INFORMATION

By David Swanson

During the last year or so, I have printed all the ancestor information that was sent to me for publication in the newsletter.

If I missed yours or if you have other Civil War related ancestor information you would like to see published, please send it to me by Email or regular mail (or give it to me at a Camp meeting).

This has been and will continue to be a very informative and interesting way for all Camp Brothers to meet your Civil War ancestor!

Confederate Currency

Confederate currency played an important part in purchasing the materiel with which to wage war. Not having much specie (coins), the Southern government turned to paper money. The First Issue was authorized by the Act of March 9, 1861, and some of these notes were actually printed in the North by the National Bank Note Company of New York.

Through the next six issues a total of about \$1,554,000,000 was authorized to be printed.

Whatever gold value that Confederate money had had dropped from 90 cents on a dollar in 1861 to 4.6 cents in early 1854, to only 1.7 cents in 1865.

The Seventh Issue was authorized by the Act of February 17, 1864. It is estimated that about one billion dollars was printed under this act alone!

Talk about inflation! Just two examples: butter cost \$15 per pound and shoes \$125 per pair in May 1864.



***SUPPORT YOUR CAMP WITH YOUR
TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATION***

Donations to Picacho Peak Camp #1, as part of the SUVCW, and by its own tax number, are tax deductible for 2005.

Please help yourself and your Camp with this tax deduction option!

Mail your contribution to our Secretary/Treasurer, Jerry Bloom: 4323 N. 28th Way, Phx, AZ 85016, or send it in with your reservation for the fall meeting. (separate check required). Your receipt will be mailed to you.



**ANNUAL DUES
INFORMATION....
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2006 DUES NOW WITH
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***A SEPARATE DUES NOTICE
IS NOT MAILED...***

**BY KEEPING YOUR
MEMBERSHIP IN OUR CAMP,
YOU SHARE IN THE PROUD
HERITAGE OF "THE BOYS IN
BLUE" (OUR ANCESTORS)!!!**

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