OFFICERS OF PATRIOTIC ORGANIZATIONS

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G. A. R. VETERANS

Only four "Boys in Blue" are left in Appleton to recall their stirring days with the Union army from '61 to '65. Reading from left to right these four surviving veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic are: Leonard Merkel, Charles Gosha, Steve Meidam and Charles Brown.

J. T. REEVE CIRCLE, LADIES OF THE G. A. R.—(Front row left to right)—Mrs. Lena Thompson, chaplain; Mrs. Betty Hoppe, guard; Mrs. Lou Ann Steenis, senior vice president; Mrs. Agnes Dean, conductress. (Rear row, left to right)—Mrs. Blanche Kubitz, secretary; Mrs. Emma Bruce, registrar; Mrs. Fannie Perrine, assistant guard; Mrs. Effie Eberhart, president.

WOMENS' RELIEF CORPS—(Front row, left to right) Alice Packard, junior vice president; Ella Cavert, senior vice president; Cora Reese, chaplain; Clara Miller, president; Emma Auers, assistant conductor; Mittie Harp, assistant guard. (Middle row, left to right) Amanda Pfeil, patriotic instructor; Gladys Phillips, musician; Lydia Bauer, secretary; Elizabeth Hoffman, conductor; Emma Brown, treasurer; Dora Hauert, press correspondent. (Back row, left to right) Lillian Trentlage, color bearer No. 2; Kate Ferguson, color bearer No. 3; Ernestine Sonntag, guard; Agnes Haferbecker, color bearer No. 4; Blanche Brinkman, color bearer No. 1.

SPANISH WAR VETERANS' AUXILIARY—(Front row, left to right) Mildred Zerbel, historian; Augusta Giese, vice president; Wanda Ladwig, secretary; Mabel Ross, president; Minnie Davis, junior vice president; Edith Grunert, chaplain. (Middle row, left to right) Theresa Poetzel, patriotic instructor; Hattie Gerarden, color bearer No. 3; Emma Hassman, color bearer No. 1; Lydia Bauer, conductor; Rose Bellin, color bearer No. 4; Anna Hoffman, assistant conductor. (Back row, left to right) Evangeline Farwell, musician; Mary Rademacher, guard; Alma Schwendler, assistant guard; Lena Claussen, color bearer No. 2; Edna Hatch, press correspondent.

OFFICERS OF CHARLES BAER CAMP, SPANISH WAR VETERANS—(Front row, left to right)—Ferdinand Radtke, commander; James Demerest, senior vice commander; M. S. Peerenboom, junior vice commander; Henry Stegert, quartermaster sergeant; C. B. Peterman, chaplain; Emil Hoffman, trustee; John Dardis, officer of the day.

(Rear row, left to right)—Albert Schultz, trustee; Louis Jeske, patriotic instructor; George Hatch, adjutant; Henry R. Thomas, sergeant-major; Carl Werner, officer of the guard; Albert Hecht, service officer; R. G. Sykes, quartermaster; Aaron Zerbel, color guard.

OFFICERS OF ONEY JOHNSTON POST, AMERICAN LEGION—(Front row, left to right) Rev. Lyle Douglas Utts, chaplain; A. H. Bunks, adjutant; H. H. Helble, commander; William Reetz, sergeant-at-arms; (Center row, left to right) Alfred C. Bosser, service officer; Erich Baier, assistant sergeant-at-arms; William Zilske, assistant finance officer; Armin B. Scheurle, third vice commander.

(Rear row, left to right) John Trautmann, historian; August A. Arens, finance officer; F. F. Wheeler, first vice commander; Fred C. Heinritz, immediate past commander.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY OFFICERS—(Front row, left to right)—Mrs. Rose Bogan, conductress; Mrs. Floyd Hardacker, secretary; Mrs. A. B. Fisher, treasurer. (Rear row, left to right)—Mrs. Blanche Jannes, color bearer; Mrs. H. W. Miller, president; Mrs. Stanley Staidl, poppy treasurer; Mrs. Clarence Baetz, historian; Mrs. George Buth, chaplain.

Church Bells Call Twenty-five Congregations to Worship

Mockingly characterized as the "puritan village of the west" because of the religious trend of its founders, Appleton has always been a city of churches. Practically all denominations are represented here, and it is estimated most conservatively that eight out of every ten persons in the city have church affiliations.

The city was born in a Methodist environment, but a tolerant community barred no one, and among the earliest arrivals were devotees of other faiths.

There are twenty-five church organizations in Appleton today, representing the Seven Day Adventists, Baptist, Christian Scientist, Catholic, Congregational, Episcopal, Evangelical, Jewish, Lutheran, Methodist, Pentecostal, Presbyterian, Reformed denominations, the Salvation Army and the Young Men's Christian Association. Some of these church structures are among the most beautiful in this section of the state.

Of the total population in the city of 25,267 (last census) 24,500 attend a church. Confronted with the tremendous task of clearing their land, building homes, and providing food, the earliest pioneers laid down their task on the Sabbath and conducted a service in the home of John F. Johnston. The Methodist society was organized in February, 1849, with eleven members. The Rev. A. B. Randall was the first pastor, he having come here with the first arrivals in 1848. That same year persons of the Catholic faith held Mass in the home of Hippolitus Grignon, the first permanent settler in Appleton. Though Amos Lawrence, the donor of property and money for the college, was an Episcopalian, the Episcopal church was not established here until 1860. Presbyterians held services here as early as 1850, and a split in this congregation led to the development of the Congregational church a few years later. The Baptist church was founded in 1854.

The Presbyterians held services in an old structure on what is now Oneida St. in 1851. James Gilmore and Fred Packard were deacons, and the story is told that while Gilmore was in the woods cutting timber for a church building, the society had a meeting and converted the organization into a Congregational church. The deacons looked upon the matter as deception. An effort was made to reduce Gilmore to the ranks, but he clung to his claim as a Presbyterian deacon and won out. His group acquired a lot on Lawrence St. for the erection of a church and about $10,000 in cash to start operations.

There were many Irish people in the village, attracted here by the abundant work on the waterpower and relief from famine that existed in their homeland. Catholic services were conducted for this group in the second ward school building in 1853 by the Rev. Father Coulter. The St. Mary parish was organized in 1857 and two years later land for a church was donated and a $1700 structure was erected. In 1864 the congregation had grown to the point where it was able to erect the first parochial school in the city. The Rev. Louis Dael was the first resident priest in the city. Dissention between factions resulted in the establishment of the German Catholic church in 1867. Servite fathers continued in charge

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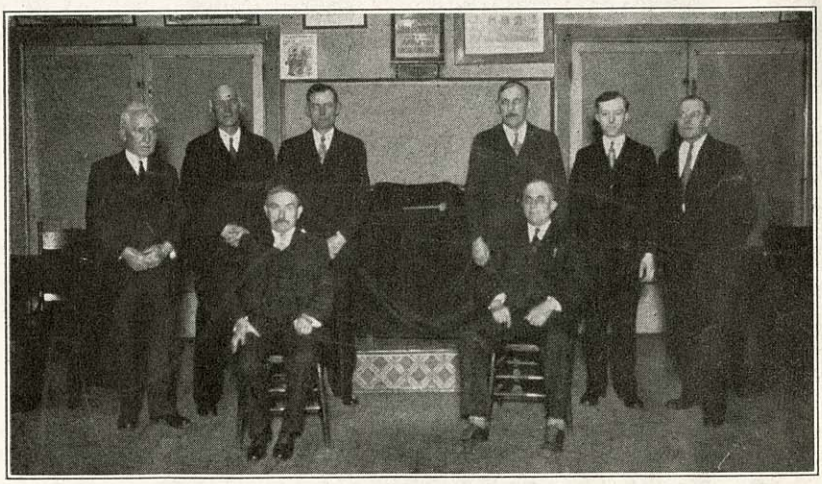

Officers of the Appleton Trades and Labor Council. Lower left—Carl Ahl, trustee; lower right—Mike Steinhauer, trustee. Standing left to right are Clement Mace, sergeant at arms; Albert Schultz, trustee; Carl Smith, vice-president; M. J. Blick, corresponding secretary; John Jacobs, financial secretary; William J. Gantter, treasurer. The chair draped in black in the center is the place on the directorate left vacant by the death of the late Fred E. Bachman, for many years president of the Appleton council. Thirty days after Mr. Bachman's death this place will be filled by the election of a new council president to succeed him.

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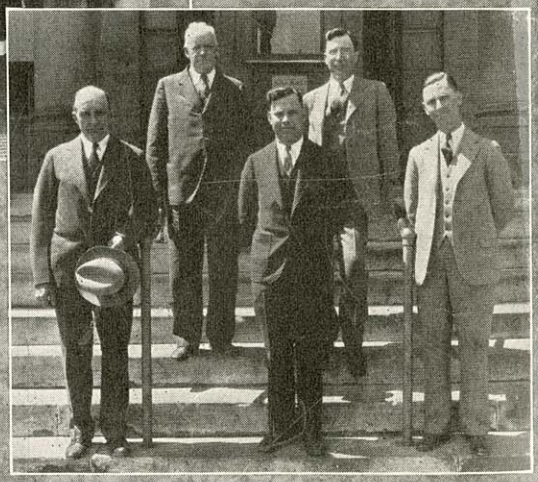

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