Collection Number: MS-10

Title: Sons of Veterans U.S.A. Colonel G.W. Andrews Camp 254 Records

Dates: 1891-1893

Creator: Sons of Veterans U.S.A. Colonel G.W. Andrews Camp 254 (Wapakoneta, Ohio)

Summary/Abstract:
The records consist of the group’s organizational records, including a minute book, ledger, cashbook, requisition books and roll of members for 1891 through 1893. These records are nearly complete, thus, although they cover a relatively short period of time, their completeness allows a thorough overall view of the organizational requirements of Sons of Veterans camps.

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Finding aid reformatted, and subject terms added by Amanda Marquart, February 2015.

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Arrangement:
Arranged by record type, and chronologically thereunder.

Biographical/Historical Note:
Colonel G.W. Andrews Camp 254, Sons of Veterans U.S.A. (S.V.) served Wapakoneta, Ohio. The post was named in honor of George W. Andrews who, in 1861 at the request of Governor Dennison, raised a company of volunteers within two days. He entered the service as a captain and left the army in 1864 with the rank of colonel. Andrews served Wapakoneta as prosecuting attorney and as a member of the state senate.

The Sons of Veterans was an auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. The first “camp” appeared at Philadelphia in 1878 but a national organization was not formed until 1881. Its aims were parallel to those of the G.A.R. but membership descended from father to son. One of the organization’s required activities involved regular military drill practices.

By 1888 the national organization has risen to 56,572 members. The Wapakoneta camp counted 45 members by March 1891.

Scope and Content Note:
The records consist of the group’s organizational records, including a minute book, ledger, cashbook, receipt book, first sergeant’s requisition book, descriptive book and roll of members. Vouchers and preliminary minutes comprise the remainder of the collection. Records date from 1891 through 1893. These records are nearly complete, thus, although they cover a relatively short period of time, their completeness allows a thorough overall view of the organizational requirements of Sons of Veterans camps.

Subject Terms:

Places
Wapakoneta (Ohio)

Subjects (General)
Veterans – Ohio – Auglaize County – Societies, etc.

Material Types
Minutes (administrative records)
Financial records
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