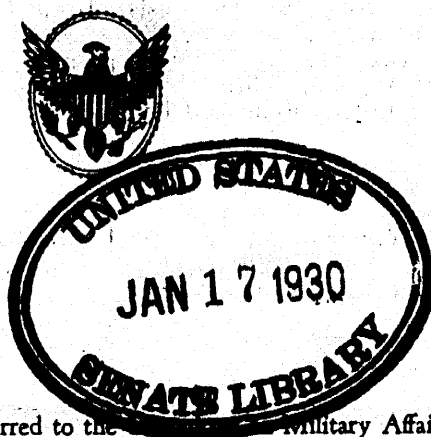


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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS,
NATIONAL MILITARY HOME,
Dayton, Ohio, December 1, 1928.

SIR: I transmit herewith the report of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928.

Respectfully yours,

GEORGE H. WOOD,
*President Board of Managers,
National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.*

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, D. C.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUN 1928

*To the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress
of the United States:*

The Board of Managers, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, in obedience to law, presents the following report of the institution under its charge for the year ending June 30, 1928.

Maj. Paul E. Divine, of Tennessee, was appointed a member of the Board of Managers to succeed Maj. James W. Wadsworth, of New York.

The affairs of the home have been administered in accordance with the laws and established regulations. All the branch homes have been visited and inspected during the year by the Board of Managers.

During the year, 44,988 members were cared for in the several branches of the home, an increase of 3,907 compared with the year previous.

There were cared for in the 32 State homes receiving Federal aid, 11,140 members, an increase of 277 compared with the previous year.

NEED FOR ADDITIONAL FACILITIES

With an increase of over 8,000 members cared for in the past two years, the need for additional facilities was considered at the regular quarterly meeting of the board in June, 1928, and the following facts and recommendations are submitted to Congress for their consideration:

During the past fiscal year, despite the fact that the Civil War membership of the home is now reduced to about 17 per cent of the membership, the total membership of the home at the peak on February 28 showed a gain of 10 per cent over that of the year before. With a very large number of veterans now eligible to the home, it is apparent that there will be a constantly increasing demand for the home service in the future, and to meet this demand a careful study of what the probable load will be should be made at once. As stated above, the total Civil War population has fallen to 17 per cent, and while this will decrease during the next few years, there is such a small percentage now that any decrease will have but little effect upon our total membership, which will be largely made up of veterans of the Spanish-American and World Wars, where the mortality rate will not be excessive in the near future. Therefore, if we assume a 10 per cent increase for the next five years, we find that our peak load in 1928 will be 18,400; in 1929, 20,300; in 1930, 22,300; and in 1931, 24,500. It is necessary, therefore, for the board to take these figures, compare them with our present facilities, and lay down a program of construction which will meet the demands, and as it

usually takes two years to accomplish authorization, appropriation, and construction, it is wise to plan the proper way to meet the situation.

Before determining where additional construction should be asked for an important question must be answered. What is the largest practical unit that can economically and efficiently be handled by the home? In my opinion, a unit of 4,000 is the largest unit that can be efficiently handled so as to enable the officers of the branch to have such clear information and knowledge as to details of operation, so that they may carry on efficiently. At the time of the peak load in the winter of 1927 and 1928, we had 1,460 barrack beds, 620 general hospital and medical beds, and 600 tuberculosis beds vacant, but unfortunately the disposition of these vacant beds was such that they really were not available to meet the situation for nearly 500 vacant barrack beds and 170 general-hospital beds were located at the Eastern Branch, which could only be used by demand in that section of the country. Therefore, the first problem to be met by the board is to plan how to meet the increase of 1,600 members during the winter of 1928 and 1929. The bill recently enacted by Congress and approved by the President, authorizing the transfer of the home at Bath, N. Y., will meet the situation, I believe, in the eastern part of the country. At Milwaukee the board has directed a reclassification of facilities so that we will have about 150 barrack beds and 125 general hospital and medical beds in excess of the number of last winter, by utilizing surplus tuberculosis beds, and as there were 380 vacant barrack beds at Danville at the time of the peak load, it is felt that in the central section of the country the situation can be handled satisfactorily. In the Middle West the situation is acute as we only had 46 vacant beds in barracks at the Western Branch, and Battle Mountain Sanitarium was full. A reclassification of beds at Battle Mountain already ordered, will furnish 125 additional barrack beds there, by utilizing surplus tuberculosis beds, but no relief can be afforded the Western Branch this winter, therefore, it would seem that two additional barracks are indicated for immediate authorization at the Western Branch. The Pacific Branch was full but with the authorization approved by Congress for construction of new barracks, we will be able to increase slightly our domiciliary capacity, and as far as barracks are concerned, can do nothing at present but urge an appropriation for construction of new barracks.

At the March meeting of the board a resolution was passed recommending an additional wing to the general hospital, and this should be an item of our legislative program for the next winter. In addition, a dormitory and infirmary for ex-service women at the Pacific Branch should also be asked for. As another part of our program for the legislative year of 1928-29, I feel that we should recommend to Congress the establishment of a home somewhere in the Southern States. At present we have no home south of Johnson City, Tenn., and as the last two wars were fought by men from all sections of the country we are having a very heavy demand for our service from the Southern States.

Another item that should be included in our legislative program for 1928 and 1929 is an additional wing to the hospital in Danville. This hospital has been filled to capacity all winter, with such a small mar-

gin of operation, that it has not been possible to handle all claims made upon it.

For the legislative program for the year 1929-30, the following program is recommended:

Additional neuropsychiatric facilities at the Southern Branch, with a capacity of 250 beds; a new barrack at the Danville Branch, with a capacity of 250 beds; a new barrack at the Northwestern Branch, with a capacity of 250 beds; and an additional wing to the hospital at the Western Branch.

For the year 1930-31, two modern barracks to replace the three old frame barracks at the Southern Branch, giving materially increased facilities at that branch, and possibly an additional barracks at the Western Branch are indicated.

In checking up this program no mention has been made of the Central Branch, because, legislation now pending before Congress would furnish the Central Branch a new fireproof hospital, and this would release the present hospital section for domiciliary use, giving an increase of approximately 800 beds. If this legislation is carried through, the Central Branch will be in position to meet all demands on it for the next five years, but if it fails, additional barrack beds to the number of at least 500 must be provided at the Central Branch.

Plans are now being prepared for additional facilities at the Marion Branch, and it is felt that these beds will be occupied just as soon as they are ready for use. This will increase the capacity of the Marion Branch to about 1,400 and it is felt that this is as large a Neuro-Psychiatric Unit as can be properly handled. The replacement of some of our older buildings for newer and more modern buildings might be very desirable, but with the increased population and the need for addition facilities, it is not felt that within the next five years, replacement programs could be justified.

Upon motion, after a thorough discussion, the recommendations made in the above survey were approved, and the president of the board was directed to submit the same to the President and Congress for their consideration.

A satisfactory standard of service in the home has been maintained, and the costs have varied but little from previous years as shown in the following tables:

Statement of operations and analysis of expenditures, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers

[Fiscal year 1928, compared with 1927]

	1928	1927
Average number of members present.....	15, 194	13, 876
Net expenditures, support of home.....	\$8, 114, 856. 87	\$7, 560, 642. 23
Average per capita cost.....	534. 08	545. 02
ANALYSIS OF EACH DOLLAR EXPENDED		
General headquarters: Expenses of Board of Managers, including salaries of officers and employees headquarters office, traveling expenses of the board, office furniture, stationery, telegraph and telephone service, etc.....	\$0. 007	\$0. 007
Current expenses: Salaries of all officers and employees engaged in connection with the management of the branch including supervision, statistics, purchase of supplies, payment of pensions, accounting, inspection and care of supplies and other property, guards, watchmen, band; and expenditures for office supplies, equipment, stationery, telephone, telegraph, supplies and appliances for fire protection, musical instruments, music books, library equipment, etc.....	. 081	. 086

Statement of operations and analysis of expenditures, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers—Continued

	1928	1927
ANALYSIS OF EACH DOLLAR EXPENDED—continued		
Subsistence: All expenditures for food supplies, for kitchen and dining-room equipment, and for wages of all employees engaged in connection with the preparation and serving of meals.....	\$0.36	\$0.346
Household: All expenditures for coal, gas, water, laundry supplies, equipment, beds, bedding and other furniture and household supplies for barracks and quarters, and salaries of all employees engaged in connection with the heating, lighting, water system, laundry and dry cleaning plant.....	.158	.165
Hospital: Salaries of assistant surgeons, trained nurses, and all other employees engaged in the care of the sick; expenditures for drugs, special diet, hospital equipment, caskets, and other hospital supplies.....	.268	.278
Transportation: Pay of transportation of applicants reporting, members transferred, etc.....	.001	.001
Repairs: All expenditures for lumber, paints, oils, boilers, machinery parts, and the general upkeep of buildings and equipment, and salaries of chief engineer and all employees engaged in the maintenance and repair of buildings, steam lines, water lines, etc.....	.060	.067
Farm: Salaries of all employees engaged in connection with farming operations, dairy, vegetable garden, repair of roads, park system, cemetery, etc., expenditures for all supplies, tools, and equipment used in connection therewith.....	.031	.027
Clothing: All expenditures for the purchase of cloth, shoes, hats, and other articles and materials used in the fabrication and repair of clothing, and salaries of all officers and employees engaged in the manufacture, distribution, and repair of all articles of clothing.....	.025	.023
Total.....	1.00	1.00

C. W. WADSWORTH,
General Treasurer.

Statement showing average per diem cost maintenance members sick in hospital and of members domiciled in barracks, including cost of clothing and the cost of administration, five years ending June 30, 1928

Branch and year	Members			Average number employees	Per diem cost	
	Average sick in hospital	Average domiciled in barracks	Average total present		Hospital patients	Domiciled in barracks
Central:						
1924.....	945	1,378	2,323	743	\$2.20	\$0.96
1925.....	812	1,585	2,397	756	2.64	.87
1926.....	756	1,631	2,387	736	2.39	.93
1927.....	743	1,616	2,359	744	2.48	.93
1928.....	734	1,957	2,691	751	2.46	.87
Average.....	798	1,633	2,431	746	2.43	.91
Northwestern:						
1924.....	596	699	1,295	552	3.01	1.09
1925.....	683	787	1,470	573	2.49	1.10
1926.....	554	810	1,364	535	2.77	1.02
1927.....	573	795	1,368	577	2.79	1.11
1928.....	551	861	1,416	567	2.85	1.07
Average.....	591	790	1,383	561	2.78	1.08
Eastern:						
1924.....	143	439	582	356	3.77	1.82
1925.....	173	468	641	337	2.74	1.37
1926.....	158	510	668	355	2.68	1.36
1927.....	149	503	652	355	2.83	1.37
1928.....	153	550	703	339	2.86	1.36
Average.....	155	494	649	348	2.98	1.46

Statement showing average per diem cost maintenance members sick in hospital and of members domiciled in barracks, including cost of clothing and the cost of administration, five years ending June 30, 1928—Continued

Branch and year	Members			Average number employees	Per diem cost	
	Average sick in hospital	Average domiciled in barracks	Average total present		Hospital patients	Domiciled in barracks
Southern:						
1924.....	552	1,032	1,584	431	\$1.99	\$0.87
1925.....	523	978	1,501	396	2.03	.91
1926.....	514	845	1,359	440	2.11	1.00
1927.....	506	926	1,432	447	2.06	.96
1928.....	549	1,076	1,625	429	1.91	.88
Average.....	529	971	1,500	429	2.02	.92
Western:						
1924.....	227	1,225	1,452	437	2.67	.98
1925.....	285	1,204	1,489	464	2.73	.94
1926.....	324	1,261	1,585	448	2.41	.85
1927.....	306	1,261	1,567	443	2.50	.97
1928.....	321	1,461	1,782	453	2.60	.81
Average.....	293	1,282	1,575	449	2.58	.91
Pacific:						
1924.....	766	2,260	3,026	670	2.23	.65
1925.....	758	2,316	3,074	721	2.28	.70
1926.....	715	2,298	3,003	714	2.42	.66
1927.....	727	2,221	2,948	846	2.19	.75
1928.....	780	2,170	2,950	798	2.41	.71
Average.....	749	2,251	3,000	750	2.31	.69
Marion:						
1924.....	947		947	470	2.24	
1925.....	1,043		1,043	469	2.26	
1926.....	1,040		1,040	459	2.14	
1927.....	1,037		1,037	469	2.12	
1928.....	1,013		1,013	492	2.19	
Average.....	1,016		1,016	472	2.19	
Danville:						
1924.....	193	1,244	1,437	349	2.75	.93
1925.....	200	1,288	1,488	368	2.48	.88
1926.....	215	1,248	1,463	422	2.39	.86
1927.....	212	1,245	1,457	444	2.65	1.03
1928.....	224	1,359	1,583	413	2.37	.88
Average.....	209	1,277	1,486	399	2.53	.92
Mountain:						
1924.....	709		709	435	2.95	
1925.....	836		836	455	2.54	
1926.....	568		568	438	3.46	
1927.....	631		631	435	2.92	
1928.....	501	498	999	447	2.31	
Average.....	649		746	442	2.84	
Battle Mountain Sanitarium:						
1924.....	420		420	174	1.97	
1925.....	424		424	175	2.06	
1926.....	385		385	170	2.17	
1927.....	419		419	195	2.29	
1928.....	426		436	195	2.28	
Average.....	417		417	182	2.15	
Average, 5 years for all branches.....	5,406	8,798	14,203	4,778	2.49	.99

C. W. WADSWORTH,
General Treasurer.

CONCLUSION

The National Military Home is to-day an important part in the Government's plans for caring for its disabled soldiers, with the demand for its care constantly increasing. It is believed that the above financial statements indicate that its work is being done efficiently and economically and with justice to both the Government and the members of the home. The board feels that the plans for expansion are fully justified by present conditions, and confidently hopes that Congress will carefully consider the recommendations and furnish the needed relief.

GEORGE H. WOOD,
President Board of Managers,
National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

DECEMBER 1, 1928.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS

HEADQUARTERS OFFICE, NATIONAL MILITARY HOME,
Dayton, Ohio, September 16, 1927.

The board met in regular quarterly session at 10 a. m.

Present: Gen. George H. Wood, president; Col. Roy L. Marston, first vice president; Col. John J. Steadman, second vice president; Capt. William S. Albright, secretary; capt. John C. Nelson; Hon. James S. Catherwood.

The minutes of the last meeting were submitted and approved.

The president of the board reported having received and accepted the following resignations:

Central branch: Dr. Jerome Hartman, assistant surgeon, effective September 30, 1927; Dr. John F. Heath, assistant surgeon, effective October 15, 1927; Dr. Edwin J. Kehoe, assistant surgeon, effective July 2, 1927 (resignation tendered and accepted after suspension from duty on July 3, 1927).

Northwestern Branch: Dr. W. E. Clark, assistant surgeon, effective July 10, 1927; Dr. Benjamin F. Cook, assistant surgeon, effective August 15, 1927.

Mountain Branch: Dr. Samuel W. Holt, assistant surgeon, effective September 15, 1927.

Upon motion, the action of the president in each of the above cases was approved by the board.

The president reported the death of the following officer:

Southern Branch: Dr. William T. Erwin, assistant surgeon, died August 25, 1927.

The president of the board reported that, under the authority heretofore conferred by the board, he had made the following appointments:

Central Branch: Dr. Morris A. Weinger, assistant surgeon, -to date from October 11, 1927.

Northwestern Branch: Dr. Morris Wolff, assistant surgeon, to date from July 26, 1927.

Eastern Branch: Dr. William J. Young, assistant surgeon, to date from July 11, 1927.

Southern Branch: Dr. William A. Thompson, assistant surgeon, to date from September 16, 1927.

Western Branch: Dr. Everett L. Lauman, assistant surgeon, to date from August 16, 1927.

Marion Branch: Dr. Clarence J. Miner, assistant surgeon, to date from September 10, 1927.

Danville Branch: John H. Steward, commissary of subsistence, to date from September 22, 1927.

Mountain Branch: Dr. Harry S. Holmes, assistant surgeon, to date from September 16, 1927.

Upon motion, the action of the president in each of the above cases was approved.

Col. Roy L. Marston, Col. John J. Steadman, and Capt. William S. Albright, appointed by the board at the June meeting to audit the special funds in the hands of the president of the board, reported

that they had made such examination and presented the following statement of operations of the special funds of the home for the period from September 25, 1926, to September 16, 1927:

Statement special funds on hand September 16, 1927

	General post fund		Ward fund	Total
	Active	Reserve		
RECEIPTS				
Received from branches.....	\$270, 222. 83			\$270, 222. 85
Interest checking accounts.....	752. 77		\$4. 07	756. 84
Interest Liberty loan bonds.....	12, 735. 01	\$23, 792. 16	046. 45	37, 173. 62
Interest other bonds.....			203. 00	203. 00
Interest United States notes.....	4, 033. 75			4, 033. 75
Liberty loan bonds received from branches.....	1, 200. 00			1, 200. 00
Sale of auto, Western Branch.....			797. 85	797. 85
Refund on surety bonds.....			15. 85	15. 85
Sale of sheep, Central Branch.....			1, 211. 39	1, 211. 39
Total receipts.....	288, 944. 38	23, 792. 16	2, 878. 61	315, 615. 15
Balance Sept. 24, 1926.....	398, 884. 10	510, 528. 12	22, 551. 98	931, 964. 20
Total to be accounted for.....	687, 828. 48	534, 320. 28	25, 430. 59	1, 247, 579. 35
EXPENDITURES				
Transferred to branches.....	292, 133. 86			292, 133. 86
Expended per voucher.....	2, 051. 26	75. 00	2, 918. 34	5, 044. 60
Accrued interest on Liberty loan bonds.....	1, 081. 59	169. 66		1, 251. 25
Liberty loan bonds returned to branches.....	100. 00			100. 00
Total expenditures.....	295, 366. 71	244. 66	2, 918. 34	298, 529. 71
Balance Sept. 16, 1927.....	392, 461. 77	534, 075. 62	22, 512. 25	949, 049. 64
Total accounted for.....	687, 828. 48	534, 320. 28	25, 430. 59	1, 247, 579. 35
Balance composed of checking accounts, Olty National Bank, Dayton, Ohio.....	7, 411. 77	2, 075. 62	1, 785. 25	11, 272. 64
Liberty loan bonds:				
First 3½ per cent.....	350. 00			350. 00
First 4¼ per cent.....	62, 000. 00			62, 000. 00
Second 4 per cent.....	550. 00			550. 00
Second 4¼ per cent.....	118, 350. 00		6, 000. 00	124, 350. 00
Third 4¼ per cent.....	30, 150. 00		10, 000. 00	40, 150. 00
Fourth 4¼ per cent.....	87, 650. 00			87, 650. 00
United States notes.....	86, 000. 00	532, 000. 00		618, 000. 00
Bonds at cost:				
State of West Virginia 3½ per cent.....			4, 727. 00	4, 727. 00
Total.....	392, 461. 77	534, 075. 62	22, 512. 25	949, 049. 64

The undersigned have this day examined and audited the special fund accounts of Gen. George H. Wood, president of the Board of Managers, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, up to and including September 16, 1927, and find same correct and supported by proper vouchers.

ROY L. MARSTON.
JOHN J. STEADMAN.
WILLIAM S. ALBRIGHT.

The president of the board made the following report:

There has been quite an increase in the home population during the past year. The August 31 post return showed a decided gain over that of a year ago and it is noted practically in all branches.

While owing to extreme age there has been a decline of 900 in the Civil War population, the fact remains that 62 years after the close of the war over 4,000 survivors were being cared for by the home.

This is a wonderful commentary on the strength and vitality of the veterans of the Union Army. The Spanish War class has gained 10 per cent and the World War 20 per cent and the largest part of the World War increase has been of the domiciliary class.

As a result of this increase it is quite probable that several of the branches will be filled to capacity in their domiciliary facilities during the coming year. It is an interesting fact to note that from July, 1919, to the present time over 40,000 veterans of the World War have been admitted to the various branches of the National Military Home.

The general treasurer presented comparative statements showing the operations of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers for the fiscal years 1926 and 1927, and statements showing the analysis of each dollar expended, also presented a statement showing operation for a 5-year period ending June 30, 1927, and the first sheet of the annual report of the governor of each branch:

Statement of operations, fiscal year 1927 compared with fiscal year 1926

Branches	Members				Average subsisted		Expenditures		Per diem cost			
	Average present		Average sick in hospital						Hospital patients		Domiciliary members	
	1927	1926	1927	1926	1927	1926	1927	1926	1927	1926	1927	1926
Central.....	2,359	2,387	743	756	2,730	2,765	\$1,175,292.48	\$1,174,662.51	\$2.476	\$2.385	\$0.926	\$0.925
Northwestern.....	1,368	1,364	573	554	1,517	1,492	884,732.14	836,734.26	2.786	2.765	1.106	1.015
Eastern.....	652	668	149	158	746	758	402,342.99	394,766.72	2.836	2.682	1.416	1.355
Southern.....	1,432	1,359	506	514	1,650	1,690	674,932.47	670,972.12	2.05	1.649	1.246	1.246
Western.....	1,573	1,585	306	324	1,826	1,851	695,171.48	676,409.04	2.496	2.405	.966	.845
Pacific.....	2,948	3,003	727	715	3,343	3,391	1,135,033.64	1,132,218.11	2.186	2.416	.746	.66
Marion.....	1,037	1,040	1,037	1,040	1,483	1,492	780,603.17	789,483.64	2.116	2.135		
Danville.....	1,457	1,463	212	215	1,612	1,608	576,789.38	585,605.72	2.436	2.385	.816	.855
Mountain.....	631	568	631	568	1,058	1,014	659,549.82	708,679.29	2.916	3.463		
Battle Mountain Sanitarium.....	419	385	419	385	491	461	341,664.83	298,609.64	2.276	2.17		
Clothing for all branches.....	13,876	13,822	5,303	5,229	16,456	16,522	179,065.83	170,609.29	1.035	1.034	1.035	1.034
Administration, Board of Managers headquarters office, general depot and 10 branches of the home.....	13,876	13,822	5,303	5,229	16,456	16,522	55,463.99	57,204.33	1.011	1.011	1.011	1.011
Total cost of operating headquarters office, general depot and 10 branches of the home.....							7,560,642.22	7,495,954.67				
Expenditures for State aid.....							573,373.09	607,660.35				
Construction, special appropriation, roads Northwestern Branch, revetment, Southern Branch, and new hospital, Pacific Branch.....							1,214,994.52	617,500.00				
Total.....							9,349,010.43	8,721,055.02				

¹ Included in the per diem costs of the several branches.² The cost of administration out of each dollar expended was: 1927, \$0.00507; 1926, \$0.007.

C. W. WADSWORTH, General Treasurer.

Statement of operations and analysis of expenditures, fiscal year 1927, compared with 1926

	1927	1926
Average number of members present.....	13,876	13,822
Net expenditures, support of home.....	\$7,560,642.22	\$7,495,954.67
Average per capita cost.....	545.02	542.32
ANALYSIS OF EACH DOLLAR EXPENDED		
General headquarters: Expenses of board of managers, including salaries of officers and employees headquarters office, traveling expenses of the board, office furniture, stationery, telegraph and telephone service, etc.....	\$.007	\$.008
Current expenses: Salaries of all officers and employees engaged in connection with the management of the branch, including supervision, statistics, purchase of supplies, payment of pensions, accounting, inspection and care of supplies and other property, guards, watchmen, band, and expenditures for office supplies, equipment, stationery, telephone, telegraph, supplies and appliances for fire protection, musical instruments, music, books, library equipment, etc.....	.086	.085
Subsistence: All expenditures for food supplies, for kitchen and dining room equipment, and for wages of all employees engaged in connection with the preparation and serving of meals.....	.346	.348
Household: All expenditures for coal, gas, water, laundry supplies, equipment, beds, bedding and other furniture and household supplies for barracks and quarters, and salaries of all employees engaged in connection with the heating, lighting, water system, laundry and dry cleaning plant.....	.165	.161
Hospital: Salaries of assistant surgeons, trained nurses and all other employees engaged in the care of the sick; expenditures for drugs, special diet, hospital equipment, caskets and other hospital supplies.....	.278	.279
Transportation: Pay of transportation of applicants reporting, members transferred, etc.....	.001	.001
Repairs: All expenditures for lumber, paints, oils, boilers, machinery, parts, and the general upkeep of buildings and equipment, and salaries of chief engineer and all employees engaged in the maintenance and repair of buildings, steam lines, water lines, etc.....	.067	.067
Farms: Salaries of all employees engaged in connection with farming operations, dairy, vegetable garden, repair of roads, park system, cemetery, etc., expenditures for all supplies, tools and equipment used in connection therewith.....	.027	.028
Clothing: All expenditures for the purchase of cloth, shoes, hats and all other articles and materials used in the fabrication and repair of clothing, and salaries of all officers and employees engaged in the manufacture, distribution and repair of all articles of clothing.....	.023	.023
Total.....	1.00	1.00

C. W. WADSWORTH,
General Treasurer.

Statement showing average per diem cost maintenance members sick in hospital and of members domiciled in barracks, including cost of clothing and the cost of administration, five years ending June 30, 1927

Branches and year	Members			Average number employees	Per diem cost	
	Average sick in hospital	Average domiciled in barracks	Average total present		Hospital patients	Domiciled in barracks
Central:						
1923.....	817	1,462	2,279	719	\$2.18	\$0.97
1924.....	945	1,378	2,323	743	2.20	.96
1925.....	812	1,685	2,397	756	2.64	.87
1926.....	766	1,631	2,387	736	2.39	.93
1927.....	743	1,616	2,359	744	2.48	.93
Average for 5 years.....	815	1,534	2,349	740	2.38	.93
Northwestern:						
1923.....	361	814	1,175	479	3.09	1.13
1924.....	596	699	1,295	552	3.01	1.09
1925.....	683	787	1,470	573	2.49	1.10
1926.....	554	810	1,364	535	2.77	1.02
1927.....	573	795	1,368	577	2.79	1.11
Average for 5 years.....	553	781	1,344	543	2.83	1.09

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Statement showing average per diem cost maintenance members sick in hospital and of members domiciled in barracks, including cost of clothing and the cost of administration, five years ending June 30, 1927—Continued

Branches and year	Members			Average number employees	Per diem cost	
	Average sick in hospital	Average domiciled in barracks	Average total present		Hospital patients	Domiciled in barracks
Eastern:						
1923	148	461	609	340	\$3.21	\$1.87
1924	143	439	582	356	3.77	1.82
1925	173	468	641	337	2.74	1.37
1926	158	510	668	355	2.68	1.36
1927	149	503	652	355	2.83	1.37
Average for 5 years	154	476	630	350	3.05	1.56
Southern:						
1923	512	1,070	1,582	393	2.00	.88
1924	552	1,032	1,584	431	1.99	.87
1925	523	978	1,501	396	2.03	.91
1926	514	845	1,359	440	2.11	1.00
1927	506	928	1,432	447	2.06	.96
Average for 5 years	521	970	1,492	421	2.04	.92
Western:						
1923	219	1,245	1,464	439	2.22	.90
1924	227	1,225	1,452	437	2.67	.98
1925	285	1,204	1,489	464	2.73	.94
1926	324	1,261	1,585	445	2.41	.85
1927	306	1,261	1,567	443	2.50	.97
Average for 5 years	272	1,229	1,511	446	2.51	.93
Pacific:						
1923	669	2,127	2,796	621	2.57	.67
1924	766	2,260	3,026	670	2.23	.65
1925	758	2,316	3,074	721	2.28	.70
1926	715	2,288	3,003	724	2.42	.68
1927	727	2,221	2,948	846	2.19	.75
Average for 5 years	725	2,242	2,969	714	2.34	.69
Marion:						
1923	803		803	423	2.50	
1924	947		947	470	2.24	
1925	1,043		1,043	469	2.26	
1926	1,040		1,040	459	2.14	
1927	1,037		1,037	469	2.12	
Average for 5 years	974		974	458	2.25	
Danville:						
1923	218	1,221	1,439	399	2.60	.87
1924	193	1,244	1,437	349	2.75	.93
1925	200	1,288	1,488	368	2.48	.88
1926	215	1,248	1,463	422	2.39	.86
1927	212	1,245	1,457	444	2.65	1.03
Average for 5 years	208	1,249	1,457	396	2.57	.91
Mountain:						
1923	749		749	456	2.93	
1924	709		709	435	2.95	
1925	836		836	455	2.54	
1926	568		568	438	3.46	
1927	631		631	435	2.92	
Average for 5 years	699		699	444	2.96	
Battle Mountain Sanitarium:						
1923	380		380	170	2.24	
1924	420		420	174	1.97	
1925	424		424	175	2.06	
1926	385		385	170	2.17	
1927	419		419	195	2.29	
Average for 5 years	406		406	177	2.15	
Average 5 years for all branches	5,327	8,491	13,821	4,689	2.51	1.00

Cost of administration, all expenses of Board of Managers, salaries of headquarters' officers and employees, and all other office expenses is less than \$60,000 per annum, being less than three-quarters of a cent administration charges against each dollar expended.

C. W. WADSWORTH,
General Treasurer.

JULY 26, 1927.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927

Branch established 1867 by act of Congress. Located 2 miles west of Dayton, Ohio. The reservation comprises 578.87 acres; 287.87 are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles of roadway, 175 acres used for farming, 23 acres of woods, and 93 acres of pasture. No farming was done by the home; the farm, dairy barns, etc., were let during the calendar years 1926-27, to a renter for half the produce. There are 116 buildings on the reservation, including 13 barracks, 12 brick and 1 frame; maximum capacity, 1,850 members; 12 hospital buildings, 10 brick and 2 frame; maximum capacity, 1,095 patients; and 91 other buildings, including storehouses, mess halls, power houses, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 30 are brick, 5 stone, 51 frame, and 5 are iron-frame buildings.

Land acquired by purchase cost \$88,445.30; original cost of buildings, \$2,507,279.54; appraised value, \$2,454,736.26, including buildings put up by and belonging to the post fund.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam with 8 boilers, 350 horsepower, using 28,003 tons coal, at \$3.83 per ton.....	\$107, 251. 49
Gas: 9,984,000 cubic feet, used for cooking, at sliding scale of \$0.50 to \$1 per 1,000 cubic feet.....	5, 663. 45
Lighting:	
Purchased 281,160 kilowatt-hours.....	\$3, 931. 38
Generated 2,172,690 kilowatt-hours at \$0.01002 per kilowatt-hour.....	22, 313. 16
Total cost, purchased and generated.....	26, 244. 54
Water:	
Purchased 126,000 gallons (sliding scale).....	72. 94
Pumped 211,187,175 gallons at \$0.000046 per gallon.....	9, 708. 43
Ice: Made 1,351.5 tons at \$1.07 per ton.....	1, 454. 72
Laundry: 2,104,552 pieces laundered at \$0.00778 per piece.....	16, 374. 74
Dry-cleaning plant: 42,282 pieces cleaned at \$0.075 per piece.....	3, 177. 95

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1926
Average present:		
Hospital patients.....	743	756
Domiciliary members.....	1, 616	1, 631
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital patients.....	\$2. 43	\$2. 36
Domiciliary members.....	\$0. 88	\$0. 88
Cost per person subsisted per day, for food:		
Hospital general mess.....	\$0. 4140	\$0. 3749
Hospital tuberculosis mess.....	\$0. 6425	\$0. 5276
General mess.....	\$0. 3156	\$0. 2979
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	844	813
Hospital tuberculosis mess.....	249	326
General mess.....	1, 637	1, 626
Average present and absent.....	2, 924	2, 935
Whole number cared for.....	8, 770	7, 495
Per capita cost.....	\$498. 65	\$492. 11

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE NORTHWESTERN BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927

Branch established 1867 by act of Congress approved March 21, 1866. Located in city of Milwaukee. Post-office address: National Home, Wisconsin. The reservation comprises 382.25 acres; 150 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemeteries, and 7 miles of roadways; no acres are used for farming, 30 acres of woods and 4 acres of pasture. There are 71 buildings on the reservation, including 5 barracks, 4 brick and 1 veneered and no frame; maximum capacity, 951 members; 2 hospital buildings, 2 brick and no frame; maximum capacity 941 patients; and 64 other buildings, including storehouse, mess hall, power house, theater, chapel, library, etc., of which 16 are brick and 48 frame. Land was acquired by purchase, cost \$78,544.54; original cost of buildings, \$2,018,667.73, appraised value, \$2,000,000.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam with 7 boilers, six 231 horsepower, one 400 horsepower, using 1,4390,888 tons of coal at \$5.87 per ton.....	\$84,472.43
Gas: 7,125,300 cubic feet used for cooking at \$0.58 per 1,000 cubic feet.....	4,132.67
Lighting: Electricity; generated 826,200 kilowatt-hours at \$0.0131 per kilowatt-hour.....	10,823.22
Water: Purchased 110,313,600 gallons at \$0.000088 per gallon.....	9,709.60
Ice: Made 796.4375 tons at \$0.589 per ton.....	453.20
Laundry: 1,115,764 pieces laundered at \$0.0087 per piece.....	10,055.15
Dry-cleaning plant: 22,712 pieces cleaned at \$0.0778 per piece.....	1,766.99

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1926
Average present:		
Hospital patients.....	573	554
Domiciliary members.....	795	810
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital members.....	\$2.74	\$2.72
Domiciliary members.....	\$1.06	\$0.97
Cost food per day per person subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	\$0.4169	\$0.4119
Hospital tuberculosis mess.....	\$0.6378	\$0.5883
General mess.....	\$0.3138	\$0.2982
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	456	424
Hospital tuberculosis mess.....	364	363
General mess.....	697	705
Average number present and absent (including temporary at post).....	1,766	1,796
Whole number cared for.....	4,928	4,592
Per capita cost.....	\$642.81	\$613.50

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE EASTERN BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927

Branch established 1866, by authority act of Congress, approved March 21, 1866. Located in Kennebec County about 5 miles from Augusta, Me. Post-office address: National Soldiers' Home, Me. The reservation comprises 1,884 acres; 62 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 10 miles of roadway; 500 acres used for farming, 560 acres of woods, and 762 acres of pasture. A dairy is operated with 41 milch cows; 24 other cattle in herd. There are 52 buildings on the reservation, including 7 barracks, 6 brick and 1 frame, maximum capacity 948 members; 2 hospital buildings, both

frame, maximum capacity 341 patients; and 43 other buildings, including storehouses, mess hall, power house, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 4 are brick and 39 frame. Land acquired by purchase, cost \$23,900. Original cost of buildings, \$812,800.09. Appraised value, \$541,330.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: With 7 boilers, 555 horsepower, using 3,763 tons coal, at \$9.72-----	\$36, 576. 36
Gas: None used for any purpose-----	
Lighting: Electric, purchased 217,400 kilowatt hours, at \$0.0428+ per kilowatt-hour-----	9, 309. 00
Water: Purchased 58,533,444 gallons, at \$0.1127+ per 1,000 gallons-----	6, 597. 34
Ice: Cut 1,500 tons, at 22 cents per ton-----	330. 00
Laundry: Laundered 563,853 pieces, at \$0.00998+ per piece-----	5, 629. 51
Dry-cleaning plant: Cleaned 28,823 pieces, at \$0.06172+ per piece--	1, 779. 00

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1926
Average present:		
Hospital patients-----	149	155
Domiciliary members-----	503	510
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital patients-----	\$2. 7922	\$2. 6373
Domiciliary members-----	\$1. 3699	\$1. 3096
Cost food per person per day subsisted:		
Hospital general mess-----	\$0. 4091	\$0. 3979
General mess-----	\$0. 3491	\$0. 3484
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess-----	233	243
General mess-----	513	515
Average present and absent-----	809	862
Whole number cared for-----	1, 650	1, 529
Per capita cost per year-----	\$618. 66	\$592. 20

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927

Branch established 1870 by act of March 21, 1866. Located near Hampton, Va. Post-office address: National Soldiers Home, Va. The reservation comprises 85.36 acres; 80.36 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemeteries, and 5½ miles of roadway; 2 acres used for farming and 3 acres of pasture. There are 67 buildings on the reservation, including 10 barracks, 7 brick and 3 frame, maximum capacity, 2,160 members; 5 hospital buildings, 5 brick, maximum capacity, 668 patients; and 52 other buildings, including storehouses, mess hall, powerhouse, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 40 are brick, 27 frame. Land acquired by purchase, cost \$154,000; original cost of buildings, \$1,916,335.85; appraised value, \$1,104,217.47.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam with 8 boilers, 250 horsepower, using 14,930 tons coal, at \$4.09-----	\$61, 063. 70
Gas: 4,002,400 cubic feet, used for cooking, at \$1.1784 per 1,000 cubic feet-----	4, 716. 44
Lighting: Electric, generated 988,785 kilowatt-hours, at \$0.0219 per kilowatt-hour-----	21, 654. 39
Water: Purchased 10,091,300 cubic feet, at \$0.145 per 100 cubic feet--	14, 632. 39
Ice: Made, 757 tons, at \$2 per ton-----	1, 514. 00
Laundry: 1,070,838 pieces laundered, at \$0.0088 per piece-----	9, 445. 21
Dry-cleaning plant: 27,974 pieces cleaned, at \$0.0743 per piece----	2, 079. 09

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1926
Average present:		
Hospital patients.....	506	514
Domiciliary members.....	926	845
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital patients.....	\$2.0053	\$1.6035
Domiciliary members.....	\$0.9041	\$1.2008
Cost food per day per person subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	\$0.4049	\$0.4325
General mess.....	\$0.3204	\$0.3319
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	307	320
General mess.....	1,343	1,370
Average present and absent.....	1,789	1,813
Whole number cared for.....	3,303	3,164
Per capita cost.....	\$472.02	\$493.87

**GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE WESTERN BRANCH, YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1927**

Branch established 1884 by act of Congress approved July, 1884. Located in Leavenworth County, Kans., post-office address, National Military Home, Kans. The reservation comprises 664 $\frac{1}{5}$ acres. One hundred and thirty-one and one-fifth acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles of roadway. One hundred and seventy acres used for farming, 193 acres of woods and 150 acres of pasture. A dairy is operated with 48 milch cows and 26 other cattle in herd. There are 66 buildings on the grounds, including 13 barracks, all brick, maximum capacity 1,520; 1 hospital building of brick, maximum capacity 298 patients; 1 tuberculosis annex, capacity 83, and 51 other buildings, including storehouses, mess halls, power house, theater, chapels, library, store, etc., of which 25 are brick, 2 stone, 18 frame, and 11 combination. Land acquired by: Donated, 640 acres; purchased 4 $\frac{1}{5}$ acres; cost \$5,650. Original cost of buildings, \$941,155.61. Appraised value, \$1,050,000.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam with five 300 horsepower, two 250 horsepower, and two 300 horsepower boilers, using 1,970,572 gallons fuel oil, at average price \$0.4308.....	\$84,892.24
Gas: 6,508,590 cubic feet at \$1.00 per thousand and 654,910 cubic feet at \$0.70 per thousand, total of 7,163,500 cubic feet, for cooking and water heating in places.....	6,966.93
Lighting: Electric current purchased at average price \$0.02498 per kilowatt.....	10,689.48
Water: 93,128,439 gallons, purchased at \$0.1218 per thousand gallons.....	11,343.04
Ice: 931-29/2,000 tons produced at \$2.50 per ton.....	2,328.23
Laundry: 848,520 pieces laundered at \$0.0092 per piece.....	7,806.38
Dry-cleaning plant: 32,210 pieces dry cleaned, at \$0.0715.....	2,303.01

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year	
	1927	1926
Average present, hospital patients.....	306	324
Domiciliary members.....	1,267	1,261
Maintenance cost per day, hospital patients.....	\$2.45	\$2.36
Domiciliary members.....	\$0.923	\$0.80
Cost food per day per person subsisted, hospital general mess.....	\$0.3967	\$0.3968
Cost food per day per person subsisted, tuberculosis mess.....	\$0.6577	\$0.716
Cost food per day per person subsisted, general mess.....	\$0.3211	\$0.2913
Average number subsisted, hospital general mess.....	439	422
Average number subsisted, tuberculosis mess.....	60	59
Average number subsisted, general mess.....	1,328	1,370
Average number present and absent.....	2,139	2,162
Whole number cared for.....	4,379	3,980
Per capita cost.....		

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE PACIFIC BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927

Branch established 1888 by act of Congress approved March 2, 1867. Located in Los Angeles County 4 miles east of Santa Monica. Post-office address, Soldiers Home, Calif. The reservation comprises 675.5 acres, of which 375.5 acres are included in lawns, parks, and cemetery and 7.65 miles of roadways; 280 acres are devoted to farming, gardening and orchards, and 20 acres to pasture. There are 112 buildings on the reservation including 12 barracks, frame, maximum capacity 2,100 members, 3 hospital buildings, 1 brick, 1 frame, and 1 reinforced concrete and tile, maximum capacity, 862 patients, and 85 other buildings, including storehouses, power houses, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 3 are brick and 82 frame. Land acquired by donation; original cost of buildings, \$3,229,705.89; appraised value of buildings and grounds, \$8,231,820.90.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam with 7 boilers, 1,480 horsepower using 1,900,536 gallons oil at \$0.0274.....	\$52,239.09
Gas: 8,045,500 cubic feet used for cooking.....	5,200.39
Lighting: Electric, purchased 517,400 kilowatt-hours at \$0.01291 per kilowatt-hours.....	\$6,679.64
Electric, generated 298,824 kilowatt-hours at \$0.021868 per kilowatt-hour.....	6,529.57
	13,209.21
Water: Purchased 77,177,075 gallons at \$0.0894 per thousand gallons.....	6,901.83
Pumped, 111,963,709 gallons at \$0.0464 per thousand gallons.....	6,193.36
	13,095.19
Ice: Made 542 tons at \$1.011 per ton.....	547.96
Purchased 18.15 tons at \$8.00 per ton.....	145.20
	793.16
Laundry: 2,001,479 pieces laundered at \$0.00747 per piece.....	14,956.81
Dry-cleaning plant: 39,333 pieces cleaned at \$0.0522 per piece.....	2,053.87

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1926
Average present, hospital patients.....	727	715
Average present, domiciliary members.....	2,221	2,288
Maintenance cost per day, hospital patients.....	\$2.141	\$2.3794
Maintenance cost per day, domiciliary members.....	\$0.699	\$0.6200
Cost food per day per person subsisted, hospital general mess.....	\$0.3936	\$0.4245
Cost food per day per person subsisted, tuberculosis mess.....	\$0.5406	\$0.5962
Cost food per day per person subsisted, general mess.....	\$0.2691	\$0.2682
Average number subsisted, hospital general mess.....	836	754
Average number subsisted, hospital tuberculosis mess.....	442	360
Average number subsisted, general mess.....	2,065	2,277
Average present and absent.....	3,852	3,906
Whole number cared for.....	8,473	6,708
Per capita cost.....	\$384.93	\$379.463

**GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE MARION BRANCH, YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1927**

Branch established 1890 by act of Congress approved July 23, 1888. Located near Marion, in Grant County, Ind. Post-office address, National Military Home, Indiana. The reservation comprises 299.03 acres; 107 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 4.87 miles of roadway; 100 acres used for farming, 62.03 acres of woods, and 30 acres of pasture. A dairy is operated with 45 milch cows and 65 in herd. There are 67 buildings on the reservation including 11 cottage buildings, all brick, maximum capacity 720 patients; 4 hospital buildings, all brick, maximum capacity 372 patients, and 52 other buildings, including storehouses, mess hall, power house, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 20 are brick, 28 frame, and 4 concrete. Land acquired by purchase, cost \$34,262.75. Original cost of buildings \$1,597,754.07, appraised value \$2,371,327.61.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Hot water with 9 boilers, 2,152 horsepower, using 11,592 tons of coal, at \$3.90 per ton.....	\$45,208.80
Gas: 11,708,000 cubic feet, used for cooking, at \$0.754 per 1,000 cubic feet.....	8,829.00
Lighting: Electric, purchased 6,300 kilowatt-hours at \$0.03862 per kilowatt-hour, \$243.32; generated 805,089 kilowatt-hours at \$0.02204 per kilowatt hour, \$17,744.16.....	17,987.48
Water: Pumped 142,350,000 gallons at \$0.0000062 per gallon.....	882.57
Ice: Made, cut or purchased 408.85 tons at \$3.95 per ton.....	1,610.87
Laundry: 1,283,687 pieces laundered at \$0.00647 per piece.....	8,305.45
Dry-cleaning plant: 40,208 pieces cleaned at \$0.01734 per piece....	697.21

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1926
Average present, hospital patients.....	1,037	1,040
Maintenance cost per day, hospital patients.....	\$2.07	\$2.09
Cost food per day per person subsisted, hospital neuropsychiatric mess.....	\$0.3715	\$0.3892
Cost food per day per person subsisted, hospital tuberculosis mess.....	\$0.5428	\$0.5770
Average number subsisted, hospital neuropsychiatric mess.....	1,405	1,411
Average number subsisted, hospital tuberculosis mess.....	78	81
Average present and absent.....	1,054	1,057
Whole number cared for.....	1,394	1,495
Per capita cost.....	\$755.35	\$761.07

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE DANVILLE BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927

Branch established August 10, 1898, by act of Congress, June 4, 1897. Located, Danville, Ill., post-office address, National Home, Danville, Ill. The reservation comprises 324.56 acres. 170.56 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 7.97 miles of roadway; 102 acres used for farming, and 32 acres of pasture. There are 57 buildings on the reservation, including 14 barracks, all brick, maximum capacity 1,958 members; 1 hospital building, brick, maximum capacity 263 patients; and 42 other buildings, including storehouses, mess hall, power house, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 18 are brick, 3 brick and frame, 19 frame, 1 frame and glass, and 1 frame and stone. Land acquired by purchase, cost \$45,961.26, original cost of buildings, \$1,360,482.95, appraised value \$1,303,847.86.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam, with 12 boilers, 120 horsepower, using 16,687.14 tons coal, at \$2.93 per ton.....	\$48, 893. 32
Gas: 3,157,400 cubic feet for cooking, at \$1.352 per 1,000.....	4, 268. 51
Power and lighting: 429,049 kilowatt-hours purchased, at \$0.0354 per kilowatt-hour.....	15, 187. 24
Water:	
73,503,795 gallons purchased, at \$0.1029 per 1,000.....	\$7,567.78
9,884,947 gallons pumped, at \$0.0098 per 1,000.....	96. 87
	7, 664. 65
Ice: 1,076 tons made, at \$1.70 per ton.....	1, 829. 20
Laundry: 740,086 pieces laundered at \$0.0111 per piece.....	8, 237. 32
Dry-cleaning plant: 30,577 pieces cleaned, at \$0.0667 per piece....	2, 038. 46

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1926
Average present, hospital patients.....	212	215
Average present, domiciliary members.....	1,245	1,248
Maintenance cost per day, hospital patients.....	\$2.39	\$2.40
Maintenance cost per day, domiciliary members.....	\$0.77	\$0.90
Cost food per day per person subsisted, hospital general mess.....	\$0.33	\$0.34
Cost food per day per person subsisted, general mess.....	\$0.30	\$0.31
Average number subsisted, hospital general mess.....	335	333
Average number subsisted, general mess.....	1,277	1,275
Average present and absent.....	1,915	1,910
Whole number cared for.....	4,524	3,981
Per capita cost.....	\$398.70	\$402.53

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE MOUNTAIN BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927

Branch established 1903, by act of Congress, located in Washington County, 1½ miles west of Johnson City, Tenn., post-office address, National Sanatorium, Tenn. The reservation comprises 447.48 acres; 130.48 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 9.33 miles of roadway; 192 acres used for farming, 20 acres of woods, and 104 acres of pasture. A dairy is operated, with 54 cows, 36 heifers, and 3 bulls in the herd. There are 59 buildings on the reservation, including 5 barracks, all brick, maximum capacity 704 members; 4 hospital buildings—3 brick, 1 frame—maximum capacity 586 patients; and 50 other buildings, including storehouse, mess hall, power house, theater, chap-

els, library, etc., of which 20 are brick, 28 frame, and 2 concrete. Land acquired by purchase, cost \$29,356.50, original cost of buildings, \$2,165,045.61, appraised value, \$2,052,734.38.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam, with 6 boilers, 1,730 horsepower, using 17,038 tons coal, at \$2.39 per ton.....	\$40,720. 82
Gas: Purchased, 158,800 cubic feet, used for cooking, etc., sliding scale, 111,300 cubic feet, at \$1.80 per 1,000 cubic feet, and 47,500 cubic feet, at \$1.70 per 1,000 cubic feet.....	281. 09
Lighting: Electricity generated, 896,250 kilowatt-hours, at \$0.1198 per kilowatt-hour (none purchased).....	10,737. 08
Water: 126,195,000 gallons, purchased at \$0.050862.....	6,418. 50
Ice: 1,105 tons made at \$1.30 per ton.....	1,436. 50
Laundry: 765,601 pieces laundered at \$0.0137 per piece.....	10,667. 25
Dry-cleaning plant: 15,490 pieces cleaned at \$0.104 per piece.....	1,622. 60

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1926
Average present.....	631	568
Maintenance cost per day.....	\$2. 87	\$3.418
Cost food per day.....	\$0.503	\$0.6233
Average number subsisted.....	631	568
Average present and absent.....	693	616
Whole number cared for.....	2,210	2,056
Per capita cost.....	\$1,045. 89	\$1,247. 64

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE BATTLE MOUNTAIN SANITARIUM BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927

Branch established April, 1907, by act of Congress approved May 29, 1902. Located at Hot Springs, Fall River County, S. Dak. Post-office address is Hot Springs, S. Dak. The reservation comprises 101.36 acres; 70.36 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles of roadway; 16 acres are used for farming purposes, no woods, and 15 acres of pasture. There are 23 buildings on the reservation; 2 hospital buildings of stone, maximum capacity 544 patients, including administration and service buildings, theater, chapels, plunge, laundry, storerooms, etc.; and 21 other buildings, including storehouses, power house, ice plant, etc., of which 1 is brick, 2 concrete, 2 stone, and 16 frame. Land acquired by donation 67 acres, by purchase 34.36 acres, cost \$18,452.81; original cost of buildings \$1,299,072.26, appraised value \$1,270,408.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam, 3 boilers, 250 h. p., 1 boiler 300 h. p. using 11,786.3 tons coal, at \$3.54 per ton.....	\$41,723. 50
Gas: No gas used at this branch.....	
Lighting: Electric purchased 135,458 k. w. h., at \$0.04 per k. w. h.....	5,418. 32
Water: Purchased, none. Pumped approximately 500,000 gallons per day. No water or steam meters at this sanitarium. Impossible to estimate cost of pumping.....	
Ice: Made 317 tons, at \$3, purchased 8 tons, \$5 per ton.....	991. 00
Laundry: 438,641 pieces laundered, at \$0.01134 per piece.....	4,974. 52
Dry-cleaning plant: None at this branch.....	

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1926
Average present, hospital patients.....	419	385
Maintenance cost per day, hospital patients.....	\$2. 23	\$2. 125
Cost food per day per person subsisted, hospital general mess.....	\$0. 471	\$0. 511
Cost food per day per person subsisted, hospital tuberculosis mess.....	\$0. 722	\$0. 727
Average number subsisted, hospital general mess.....	429	432
Average number subsisted, hospital tuberculosis mess.....	62	29
Average present and absent.....	646	610
Whole number cared for.....	1, 450	1, 191
Per capita cost.....	\$816. 14	\$776. 55

Upon motion, the resolution in regard to service stripes, adopted at the June, 1927, meeting of the board, was amended to read as follows:

As recognition for service extending over a period of years after discussion, upon motion, it was ordered that a black service stripe one-quarter inch in width and 2 inches in length, to be worn on the left arm at an angle of 30°, be given officers and all employees for 1 year's continuous service, and a gold stripe of similar character for 5 years' continuous service.

The president submitted to the board a proposition from the county commissioners of Leavenworth County, Kans., in regard to the location of a road to Mount Muncie Cemetery. After consideration, upon motion it was decided that the proposition be accepted and that Capt. William S. Albright be instructed to make arrangements with the county commissioners so that the interests of the home be preserved in the change.

After thorough discussion of the question of fire protection at the Eastern Branch, upon motion it was ordered that proper fire protection in the form of a fire engine equipped with pump with a capacity of 450 gallons per minute be provided, to be obtained from some other department of the Government if possible; if not, that the president is authorized to purchase one at the best rates obtainable from general post fund.

An opportunity was given, after due announcement, to members to appear before the board for the purpose of presenting suggestions, complaints, or requests. Such suggestions, complaints, and requests as were made were acted upon.

The board made the usual inspection of the grounds, barracks, hospital, and other buildings of the Central Branch, and the written criticisms of the several members of the board were referred to the governor for appropriate action.

The board then proceeded to the Marion Branch to reconvene on September 19, 1927.

MARION BRANCH, *September 19, 1927.*

It was reported to the board that the wiring in the mess hall and several of the other buildings at the Marion Branch was not considered safe, and upon discussion and consideration of the fact that the wiring of many of the buildings in several of the older branches was not up to the approved and accepted standard of safety it was ordered that the president have a survey made of the wiring, including the electrical, telephone, radio, or other wiring carrying electrical current

at each of the several branches and that active steps be taken to put all wiring into a safe condition, and that in cases where the funds under the regular appropriation are not sufficient to put the wiring in a safe condition the president be authorized to use post-fund money for the purpose.

Upon motion, General Order No. 1, annulling paragraph 142 and amending paragraphs 15 and 143, home regulations, was approved.

The board made an inspection of the buildings and grounds of the Marion Branch.

The board then proceeded to the Danville Branch to reconvene September 21, 1927.

DANVILLE BRANCH, September 21, 1927.

Upon motion, it was ordered that the sheep purchased from Ward fund be turned over to the Central Branch, title to same remaining with Ward fund and Ward fund to receive half the proceeds from sheep, with Central Branch receiving half for taking care of them.

Upon motion, Capt. Albert G. Thomas, commissary of subsistence, Danville Branch, was given an indefinite leave of absence without pay.

An opportunity was given, after due announcement, to members to appear before the board for the purpose of presenting suggestions, complaints, or requests. Such suggestions, complaints, and requests as were made were acted upon.

The board made the usual inspection of the grounds, barracks, hospital, and other buildings of the Danville Branch, and the written criticisms of the several members of the board were referred to the governor for appropriate action.

The board then proceeded to the Northwestern Branch to reconvene on September 23, 1927.

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH, September 23, 1927.

After a careful inspection of the cemetery at the Northwestern Branch, upon motion, it was unanimously resolved that the board was opposed to any further encroachment on the grounds of the cemetery at the Northwestern Branch.

Upon motion, the governor of the Northwestern Branch was authorized to confer with the authorities of the city of West Allis in regard to the rectification of conditions on the west line of the home, with authority to act.

Upon motion, the governor of the Pacific Branch was directed to set aside a plot of ground in the cemetery of the Pacific Branch for burial of ex-service women.

The governor of the Northwestern Branch stated that during the time there was a vacancy in the position of Protestant chaplain at the Northwestern Branch, the Rev. Gustave Stearns and the Rev. William Dawson, both members of the Officers Reserve Corps, United States Army, officiated at all services and funerals and performed most beneficial service to the home. Upon motion, it was directed that the thanks of the board be extended to the Rev. Gustave Stearns and the Rev. William Dawson for their services to the Northwestern Branch.

During the present meeting of the board of managers, upon motion, the following appropriations from general post fund were made:

Central Branch: For repair of artillery	\$264
Northwestern Branch:	
For installation of water line to cemetery	1,600
For purchase of snow plow	300
For construction of sidewalk from tuberculosis annex to roadway	176
For construction of sidewalk from top of hill to bridge on Mitchell Avenue on east side of the road	450
Marion Branch:	
For repairs, decoration, and equipment of chapels	1,500
For washing of library and washing and painting of billiard room	500
Danville Branch: For remodeling store	800

An opportunity was given, after due announcement, to members to appear before the board for the purpose of presenting suggestions, complaints, or requests. Such suggestions, complaints, and requests as were made were acted upon.

The board made the usual inspection of the grounds, barracks, hospital, and other buildings of the Northwestern Branch, and the written criticisms of the several members of the board were referred to the governor for appropriate action.

There being no further business before the board, the board, upon motion, adjourned September 24, 1927, to meet at the headquarters office, National Military Home, Dayton, Ohio, at 10 a. m., December 4, 1927, proceeding thence to Washington, D. C., Southern, and Mountain Branches.

WILLIAM S. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *December 5, 1927.*

The board met in regular quarterly session at 11 a. m.

Present: Gen. George H. Wood, president; Capt. William S. Albright, secretary; Hon. James S. Catherwood, Col. Roy L. Marston, first vice president, joined at Mountain Branch.

Absent: Col. John J. Steadman and Capt. John C. Nelson. Letters were presented explaining their absence.

The minutes of the last meeting were submitted and approved.

The president of the board reported having received and accepted the following resignations:

Central Branch: Dr. Jaffray J. Vega, assistant surgeon, effective December 15, 1927.

Western Branch: Dr. Edmund S. Burwell, assistant surgeon, effective October 31, 1927.

Pacific Branch: Capt. W. M. Martin, quartermaster, effective October 31, 1927.

Marion Branch: Dr. Thomas M. Wood, assistant surgeon, effective November 18, 1927.

Mountain Branch: Dr. John D. Carpenter, assistant surgeon, effective December 3, 1927.

Battle Mountain Sanitarium: Dr. Jesse W. Willcox, assistant surgeon, effective November 17, 1927. Maj. William H. Stanley, treasurer, effective December 31, 1927.

Upon motion, the action of the president in each of the above cases was approved by the board.

The president of the board reported that, under the authority heretofore conferred by the board, he had made the following appointments:

Central Branch: Dr. James M. Graham, assistant surgeon, to date from November 1, 1927.

Northwestern Branch: Dr. James A. Boyer, assistant surgeon, to date from December 4, 1927.

Eastern Branch: Dr. David P. Young, assistant surgeon, to date from November 19, 1927.

Southern Branch: Dr. Burton O. Clark, assistant surgeon, to date from January 1, 1928.

Western Branch: Dr. Squire S. Beverly, assistant surgeon, to date from November 1, 1927.

Pacific Branch: Capt. E. B. Newcomb, quartermaster, to date from October 10, 1927.

Battle Mountain Sanitarium: Dr. Simon S. Foster, assistant surgeon, to date from December 6, 1927.

Upon motion, the action of the president in each of the above cases was approved.

The president of the board reported that he had suspended from duty and pay the following officer:

Mountain Branch: Dr. Meredith W. Hyatt, assistant surgeon, effective September 27, 1927.

The president presented the following statement of special funds on hand December 3, 1927:

Statement of special funds on hand December 3, 1927

	General post fund		Ward fund	Total
	Active	Reserve		
RECEIPTS				
Received from branches.....	\$66,540.51			\$66,540.51
Interest checking accounts.....	97.16		\$3.64	100.80
Interest Liberty loan bonds.....	4,939.41		332.50	5,271.91
Interest United States notes.....	3.89			3.89
Liberty loan bonds received from branches.....	250.00			250.00
Sale of sheep, central branch.....			138.00	138.00
Total receipts.....	71,830.97		474.14	72,305.11
Balance Sept. 16, 1927.....	392,461.77	\$534,075.62	22,512.25	949,049.64
Total to be accounted for.....	464,292.74	534,075.62	22,986.39	1,021,354.75
EXPENDITURES				
Transferred to branches.....	30,350.00			30,350.00
Expended per voucher.....	434.05		482.40	916.45
Accrued interest Liberty loan bonds.....	155.83			155.83
Total expenditures.....	30,939.88		482.40	31,422.28
Balance Dec. 3, 1927.....	433,352.86	534,075.62	22,503.99	989,932.47
Total accounted for.....	464,292.74	534,075.62	22,986.39	1,021,354.75
Balance composed of:				
Checking accounts, City National Bank, Dayton, Ohio.....	8,052.86	2,075.62	1,776.99	11,905.47
Liberty loan bonds—				
First 3½ per cent.....	350.00			350.00
First 4½ per cent.....	62,000.00			62,000.00
Second 4 per cent.....	550.00			550.00
Third 4½ per cent.....	30,150.00		10,000.00	40,150.00
Fourth 4½ per cent.....	87,900.00			87,900.00
United States notes.....	244,350.00	532,000.00	6,000.00	782,350.00
Bonds at cost: State of West Virginia 3½ per cent.....			4,727.00	4,727.00
Total.....	433,352.86	534,075.62	22,503.99	989,932.47

The president of the board presented his letter transmitting the annual report of the Board of Managers for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927, to the Congress of the United States, and, upon motion, the annual report as prepared was approved:

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FORWARDING ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1927

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States:

The board of Managers, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, in obedience to law presents the following report of the institution under its charge for the year ending June 30, 1927.

Maj. James W. Wadsworth, of New York, died on December 24, 1926. For 20 years the major had served as a member of the Board of Managers, and his services were of great value in the administration of the home.

The affairs of the home have been administered in accordance with the laws and established regulations. All the branch homes have been visited and inspected during the year by the Board of Managers.

During the year 41,081 members were cared for in the several branches of the home; an increase of 4,942 compared with the year previous.

There were cared for in the 32 State homes receiving Federal aid 10,863 members; a decrease of 205 compared with the previous year.

In May, 1927, the new fireproof hospital at the Pacific branch was placed in operation. This met a much needed want and it is believed will furnish medical and surgical service to many thousands of deserving veterans in the years to come.

TO MEET THE OBLIGATIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT THE HOME SERVICE MUST BE ENLARGED AND CONTINUED

Proposed legislation will be submitted to Congress during the present session looking toward the replacement of the wooden barracks at the Pacific Branch, and as this is an extensive proposition, requiring the expenditure of a large sum of money, it is felt that a brief statement of the purposes of the home, its accomplishments, and the apparent requirements of the future should be made at this time.

After the close of the Civil War the Government assumed the duty of caring for soldiers and sailors who had been disabled in its defense. By acts of Congress in 1866 and 1867, the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, a corporation, was created as an independent establishment, the management of which was vested in a board, consisting of the President, Secretary of War, Chief Justice, and other members to be selected by Congress. The organic acts broadly charged the board with providing a home for the beneficiaries, and vested it with extensive authority for the control and management of the home and its members.

The Board of Managers adopted the policy which in their opinion would be most conducive to the contentment of the men who came to the home to make a more or less permanent residence and this policy has been adhered to up to the present time.

It was thought that it was the purpose and intention of the Government to furnish comfortable housing, satisfactory food, suitable clothing, medical and hospital care sufficient to meet the needs of the members with as few rules and regulations as possible, so as to make the conditions as much like a home as possible, taking into consideration the large membership. It was felt from the first that a certain amount of employment of a character which the members were able to do would tend to their contentment, and, therefore, as many members as possible are utilized in work in the various branch homes.

This plan of operation did not require a large and expensive organization, and has been preserved through the entire history of the home.

The fact that Congress, in its selection of managers, has chosen public-spirited ex-service men of business ability, who have given their time and attention to the Government and their comrades as a patriotic duty without charge, has resulted in a continuous and progressive system of administration.

Another fact which has been of great value in the perpetuation of a definite system of administration in the home has been continuity of service. During the last 47 years, with short intermissions, the position of president of the Board of Managers, who is the executive head of the home, has been held by four men—Gen. William B. Franklin, of Connecticut; Gen. Martin T. McMahon, of New York; Maj. James W. Wadsworth of New York, and the writer of this paper. The position of general treasurer, chief financial officer of the home, was estab-

lished in 1894, and has been held by only three men—Major Birmingham, Maj. Moses Harris, United States Army, retired, and Col. C. W. Wadsworth, the present incumbent. It will be readily appreciated that this continuity of service has been of great value, because it has enabled the men holding these positions to acquire the most minute knowledge of operations, physical conditions, etc.

To meet the needs, 10 separate branches have been established from time to time, scattered from Maine to California, each with its complete organization operating under a governor, who is the commanding officer; equipped with a central heating system, furnishing generally its own heat, light, power, water, etc.; a hospital fully equipped with all modern medical requirements, X-ray service, physiotherapy, welfare service, etc.; a central mess hall where the more able-bodied men have their meals, with smaller messes where the older and more feeble men are subsisted under the same roof in which they are quartered; religious services with both Protestant and Catholic chaplains who attend the spiritual needs of the men; a library where the current newspapers and magazines are on hand; a theater where moving-picture shows and other entertainments are given without cost to the members; a members' clubhouse where various amusements are furnished for the members; a band, which, during the summer months, gives concerts every evening, etc. In planning the branch homes not only have all the utilities been provided for, but landscape gardening with flowers, lawns, etc., has made each branch home a beautiful park. Thus the endeavor has been made to meet the physical, spiritual, and intellectual needs of the members.

That the treatment and comforts furnished meet the needs is very clearly shown by the fact that to-day, 62 years after the Civil War, more than 4,000 veterans of that war with an average age of over 80 are members of the various branch homes.

The following table covering a 5-year period shows the cost of operation and administration of the home:

Statement showing average per diem cost maintenance members sick in hospital and of members domiciled in barracks, including cost of clothing and the cost of administration, five years ending June 30, 1927

Branch and year	Members			Average number employees	Per diem cost	
	Average sick in hospital	Average domiciled in barracks	Average total present		Hospital patients	Domiciled in barracks
Central:						
1923.....	817	1,462	2,279	719	\$2.18	\$0.97
1924.....	945	1,378	2,323	743	2.20	.96
1925.....	812	1,585	2,397	766	2.64	.87
1926.....	756	1,631	2,387	736	2.39	.93
1927.....	743	1,616	2,359	744	2.48	.93
Average for 5 years.....	815	1,534	2,349	740	2.38	.93
Northwestern:						
1923.....	361	814	1,175	479	3.09	1.13
1924.....	596	699	1,295	552	3.01	1.09
1925.....	683	787	1,470	673	2.49	1.10
1926.....	554	810	1,364	535	2.77	1.02
1927.....	573	795	1,368	577	2.79	1.11
Average for 5 years.....	553	781	1,334	543	2.83	1.09
Eastern:						
1923.....	148	461	609	349	3.21	1.87
1924.....	143	439	582	356	3.77	1.82
1925.....	173	468	641	337	2.74	1.37
1926.....	188	510	698	355	2.68	1.36
1927.....	149	503	652	355	2.83	1.37
Average for 5 years.....	154	476	630	350	3.05	1.56
Southern:						
1923.....	512	1,070	1,582	393	2.00	.88
1924.....	552	1,032	1,584	431	1.99	.87
1925.....	523	978	1,501	396	2.03	.91
1926.....	514	845	1,359	440	2.11	1.00
1927.....	506	926	1,432	447	2.06	.96
Average for 5 years.....	521	970	1,492	421	2.04	.92
Western:						
1923.....	219	1,345	1,464	439	2.22	.90
1924.....	227	1,225	1,452	437	2.67	.98
1925.....	285	1,204	1,489	464	2.73	.94
1926.....	324	1,261	1,585	448	2.41	.85
1927.....	306	1,261	1,567	443	2.50	.97
Average for 5 years.....	272	1,229	1,511	446	2.51	.93

Statement showing average per diem cost maintenance members sick in hospital and of members domiciled in barracks, including cost of clothing and the cost of administration, five years ending June 30, 1927—Continued

Branch and year	Members			Average number employees	Per diem cost	
	Average sick in hospital	Average domiciled in barracks	Average total present		Hospital patients	Domiciled in barracks
Pacific:						
1923.....	669	2,127	2,796	621	\$2.57	\$0.67
1924.....	766	2,260	3,026	670	2.23	.65
1925.....	758	2,316	3,074	721	2.28	.70
1926.....	715	2,288	3,003	714	2.42	.68
1927.....	727	2,221	2,948	846	2.19	.75
Average for 5 years.....	725	2,242	2,969	714	2.34	.69
Marion:						
1923.....	803		803	423	2.50	
1924.....	947		947	470	2.24	
1925.....	1,043		1,043	499	2.26	
1926.....	1,040		1,040	459	2.14	
1927.....	1,037		1,037	469	2.12	
Average for 5 years.....	974		974	458	2.25	
Danville:						
1923.....	218	1,221	1,439	399	2.60	.87
1924.....	193	1,244	1,437	349	2.75	.93
1925.....	200	1,268	1,468	368	2.48	.88
1926.....	215	1,248	1,463	422	2.39	.86
1927.....	212	1,245	1,457	444	2.65	1.03
Average for 5 years.....	208	1,249	1,457	396	2.57	.91
Mountain:						
1923.....	749		749	456	2.93	
1924.....	709		709	435	2.95	
1925.....	836		836	455	2.54	
1926.....	568		568	438	3.46	
1927.....	631		631	435	2.92	
Average for 5 years.....	699		699	444	2.96	
Battle Mountain Sanitarium:						
1923.....	380		380	170	2.24	
1924.....	420		420	174	1.97	
1925.....	424		424	175	2.06	
1926.....	385		385	170	2.17	
1927.....	419		419	195	2.29	
Average for 5 years.....	406		406	177	2.15	
Average 5 years for all branches.....	5,327	8,491	13,821	4,689	2.61	1.00

Cost of administration, all expenses of Board of Managers, salaries of headquarters' officers and employees, and all other office expenses is less than \$60,000 per annum. Being less than three-quarters of a cent administration charges against each dollar expended.

C. W. WADSWORTH,
General Treasurer.

JULY 26, 1927.

The statement of operation given above shows most convincingly that the administration of the home has been economic. As to the efficiency of the operation, your attention is called to the annual reports of inspections made by an officer representing the department of the Inspector General of the Army which uniformly report efficient administration and contented membership.

At the close of the World War it was believed and hoped that, by intense hospitalization and a thorough course in rehabilitation and vocational training, the need for permanent domiciliary care would be eliminated. To accomplish this most desirable consummation, elaborate and expensive organizations were created, and during the past nine years have done much good work along the lines of hospitalization and rehabilitation, but still with all this accomplished, it has been discovered that there were thousands of cases that could not be rehabilitated, and that the country faces the same situation

in the matter of permanent care that was faced after the last two wars of the Republic, with a largely increased number of potential beneficiaries.

POTENTIAL MEMBERSHIP

This, naturally, makes most important the future needs and requirements for a domiciliary service such as is to-day furnished by the Soldiers' Home; therefore, a study of the statistics of population during the 60 years of the home service is most essential.

Basing the enlistment from the Civil War at 2,000,000, the statistics of the home show that it took 35 years after the close of the war before the membership in the home from that service reached 1 per cent, i. e., 20,000 veterans of that war. Twenty-five years after the close of the Spanish-American War, with an enlistment of 500,000 men, we find a population in the home of 7,000, or 1.4 per cent, showing a larger percentage of membership based on enlistment in 10 years' shorter time. As the men of the World War are much more likely to follow the curve of the Spanish-American War, which was almost in their generation, rather than the Civil War, which was two generations older, if you take enlistments in the World War at 4,500,000 and follow the curve of the Spanish-American War for a period of 25 years, you will find, based on that curve a population of 63,000 World War men in the home in 25 years. As an indication of the trend toward the home, it should be noted that up to the present time over 40,000 men with service in the World War have been admitted to the various branch homes. This would indicate that not only will the present homes be full to more than capacity, but that they will have to be increased over 300 per cent to take care of the World War men, with no allowances made for an increasing number of Spanish-American War veterans.

The figures given indicate that for the next 40 or 50 years, there will be a great work to be done to carry out the program adopted by Congress originally in 1867.

Since the organization of the home, over 200,000 disabled veterans of all wars of the Republic have been members of the various branches. The home has given these men the material benefits mentioned above; has placed them under a minimum of restrictions and rules, so that at any moment they are at liberty to go to the governor's office, take their discharge, and leave the home, and if they find themselves unable to make their way on the outside, the gate of the home opens to them just as easily on their return. Red tape, as far as the member is concerned, is reduced to the minimum.

The records of the home show that from 30 to 40 per cent of the members cared for require hospital treatment, and that the rest require domiciliary care only. The costs to the Government, as shown by the 5-year statement of operations given above, are two and one-half times as much per hospital patient as for a domiciliary patient. In view of past experience, it will be very much to the interest of the beneficiaries, as well as the Government, to continue the Government's beneficence along the same practical lines that have proven successful.

GEORGE H. WOOD,
President Board of Managers,

National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

NATIONAL MILITARY HOME, OHIO,
December 5, 1927.

The board called on the Hon. Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, ex officio member of the Board of Managers, and discussed with him the problems of the board.

The following resolution, adopted by the Grand Army of the Republic during the national encampment of 1927, upon motion, was ordered spread upon the minutes:

Whereas it is proposed in Congress to retire the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, which has been functioning satisfactorily for a long term of years, and place the home under the supervision of the Veterans' Bureau; be it

Resolved, That the Sixty-first National Encampment, Grand Army of the Republic, protests against such action, for the reason that our comrades residing in the home feel they are receiving adequate care and attention at much less expense to the Government of the United States than would be the case were the management of the home turned over to the Veterans' Bureau.

The following resolution, adopted by the United Spanish War Veterans during the national encampment of 1927, upon motion, was ordered spread upon the minutes:

Resolved, That the Twenty-ninth National Encampment of United Spanish War Veterans firmly believe that the Government and the veterans will be best served by the merging of all activities of veteran relief of whatever kind, nature, character, or description into one veteran relief bureau, which shall be under the Department of the Interior, and that the national homes for disabled volunteer soldiers shall be left to function as at present; and that the head of such a bureau should at all times be a veteran of some experience, in sympathy with the aims, purposes, and needs of the veterans and of their dependents.

Representatives of the Milwaukee Electric Light & Power Co. appeared before the board making request covering extension of the right of way of the Milwaukee electric road through the grounds of the Northwestern Branch, presenting sketches and maps covering the proposed change. After their withdrawal the matter was considered by the board and the board felt that it should adhere to the resolution passed at the September meeting, 1927, against further encroachment on the grounds of the Northwestern Branch.

The board then proceeded to the Southern Branch to reconvene December 7, 1927.

SOUTHERN BRANCH, December 7, 1927.

The numerous fires which have occurred at the Pacific Branch, and the fire which destroyed barrack No. 11 at the Southern Branch, were discussed by the board and especial attention given to the three wooden barracks at the Southern Branch, which had this day been personally inspected by the board. On motion, the executive officers were instructed to present to the President of the United States and Congress the question of replacing the wooden barracks now in use at the Southern Branch with adequate fire proof barracks.

After full consideration, on motion, the following sums were voted payable from general post fund for the purpose of furnishing Christmas cheer to the members at the various branches of the National Military Home, in addition to the extra dinner already provided:

Central Branch.....	\$600	Marion Branch.....	\$500
Pacific Branch.....	600	Danville Branch.....	500
Northwestern Branch.....	500	Mountain Branch.....	500
Southern Branch.....	500	Eastern Branch.....	400
Western Branch.....	500	Battle Mountain Sanitarium....	400

An opportunity was given, after due announcement, to members to appear before the board for the purpose of presenting suggestions, complaints, or requests. Such suggestions, complaints, and requests as were made were acted upon.

The board made the usual inspection of the grounds, barracks, hospital, and other buildings of the Southern Branch, and the written criticisms of the several members of the board were referred to the governor for appropriate action.

The board then proceeded to the Mountain Branch to reconvene December 9, 1927.

MOUNTAIN BRANCH, December 9, 1927.

After a very careful inspection of the Johnson City National Sanitarium, and a full consideration of the subject by the members of the board, it was unanimously voted that General Order No. 1,

August 25, 1920, be rescinded, and that, effective February 1, 1927, the name of the Johnson City National Sanitarium be changed to the "Mountain Branch, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers," and that the home organization on the basis of the organization at the Central, Northwestern, and Pacific Branches be established at the Mountain Branch.

On motion, V. B. Kincaid was appointed treasurer at the Battle Mountain Sanitarium, effective January 1, 1928.

During the present meeting of the Board of Managers, upon motion, the following appropriations from general post fund were made, in addition to the special Christmas appropriations:

Southern Branch:	
Repairs to members' boat landing.....	\$500
Repairs and alterations, watch engineers' quarters.....	500
Western Branch:	
Shrubbery, grass seed, etc.....	500
Improvement, Cook Drive.....	3,000

An opportunity was given, after due announcement, to members to appear before the board for the purpose of presenting suggestions, complaints, or requests. Such suggestions, complaints, and requests as were made were acted upon.

The board made the usual inspection of the grounds, barracks, hospital and other buildings of the Mountain Branch, and the written criticisms of the several members of the board were referred to the governor for appropriate action.

There being no further business before the board, the board, upon motion, adjourned on December 10, 1927, to meet at the Western Branch on March 15, 1927, proceeding thence to the Pacific Branch.

WILLIAM S. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary*.

WESTERN BRANCH, *March 15, 1928.*

The board met in regular quarterly session at 10.30 a. m.

Present: Gen. George H. Wood, president; Capt. William S. Albright, secretary; Col. Roy L. Marston, first vice president; Maj. Paul E. Divine; and Hon. James S. Catherwood. Col. John J. Steadman joined at Pacific Branch.

Absent: Capt. John C. Nelson, who was convalescing after an operation.

The minutes of the last meeting were submitted and approved.

The president of the board reported having received and accepted the following resignations:

Central Branch: Dr. Joshua Epstein, assistant surgeon, effective March 21, 1928.

Northwestern Branch: Dr. Homer L. Barker, assistant surgeon, effective March 31, 1928.

Eastern Branch: Maj. James W. Loughlin, surgeon, effective January 10, 1928.

Western Branch: Rev. Charles S. Vail, chaplain, effective March 31, 1928.

Pacific Branch: Dr. Chas. M. Tinney, assistant surgeon, effective December 31, 1927; Dr. Harry H. Thompson, assistant surgeon, effective January 29, 1928; Dr. John R. Neal, assistant surgeon, effective January 31, 1928.

Marion Branch: Dr. Clarence J. Miner, assistant surgeon, effective February 29, 1928.

Danville Branch: Dr. Floyd J. Barkman, assistant surgeon, effective February 6, 1928; Dr. George L. Prentice, assistant surgeon, effective March 5, 1928.

Mountain Branch: Dr. Harry S. Holmes, assistant surgeon, effective January 10, 1928; Maj. Edward B. Frisbee, assistant medical director, effective January

11, 1928; Dr. Reginald St. Elmo Murray, assistant surgeon, effective February 19, 1928.

Battle Mountain Sanitarium: Capt. O. E. Harper, quartermaster and commissary of subsistence, effective December 31, 1927.

Upon motion, the action of the president in each of the above cases was approved by the board.

The president of the board reported that, under the authority heretofore conferred by the board, he had made the following appointments:

Central Branch: Dr. Edwin L. Winslow, assistant surgeon, to date from April 1, 1928.

Western Branch: Dr. Ernest E. White, assistant surgeon, to date from March 1, 1928.

Pacific Branch: Dr. John E. Hewitt, assistant surgeon, to date from February 1, 1928; Dr. Lewis C. Hobson, assistant surgeon, to date from February 17, 1928.

Danville Branch: Dr. Jaffray J. Vega, assistant surgeon, to date from February 16, 1928; Dr. Malone Duggan, assistant surgeon, to date from March 6, 1928.

Mountain Branch: Col. David Townsend, governor, to date from February 1, 1928; Capt. Carl A. Neves, surgeon, to date from February 1, 1928; Capt. James M. Wallace, chief, tuberculosis service, to date from February 1, 1928; Dr. Edwin H. Hayman, assistant surgeon, to date from January 21, 1928; Dr. John D. Carpenter, assistant surgeon, to date from February 1, 1928; Dr. John E. McGinnis, assistant surgeon, to date from March 1, 1928.

Battle Mountain Sanitarium: Charles F. Thumm, quartermaster and commissary of subsistence, to date from January 1, 1928; Dr. Edward R. Lindner, governor and surgeon, to date from January 11, 1928; Dr. Emanuel J. Cohn, assistant surgeon, to date from January 21, 1928.

Upon motion, the action of the president in each of the above cases was approved.

The president presented the following statement of special funds on hand March 13, 1928:

Statement special funds on hand March 13, 1928

	General post fund		Ward fund	Total
	Active	Reserve		
RECEIPTS				
Received from branches.....	\$171, 166. 65			\$171, 166. 65
Interest, checking accounts.....	116. 97		\$3. 41	119. 38
Interest, Liberty loan bonds.....	1, 964. 19			1, 964. 19
Interest, West Virginia bonds.....			101. 50	101. 50
Interest, United States notes.....	1, 720. 00	\$8, 977. 50		10, 697. 50
Bequest of John F. Kwiatowski (deceased), North-western Branch.....	1, 200. 00			1, 200. 00
Refund on surety bond.....			. 20	. 20
Total receipts.....	176, 172. 81	8, 977. 50	106. 11	185, 255. 42
Balance, Dec. 3, 1927.....	433, 352. 86	534, 075. 62	22, 503. 99	989, 932. 47
Total to be accounted for.....	609, 525. 67	543, 053. 12	22, 609. 10	1, 175, 187. 89
EXPENDITURES				
Transferred to branches.....	41, 000. 00			41, 000. 00
Expended per voucher.....	382. 50		607. 03	989. 53
Accrued interest, Liberty loan bonds.....	1, 943. 26			1, 943. 26
Accrued interest, United States notes.....		348. 76		348. 76
Liberty loan bonds returned to branches.....	750. 00			750. 00
Total expenditures.....	44, 075. 76	348. 76	607. 03	45, 031. 55
Balance, Mar. 13, 1928.....	565, 449. 91	542, 704. 36	22, 002. 07	1, 130, 156. 34
Balance composed of checking accounts, City National Bank, Dayton, Ohio.....	30, 899. 91	704. 36	1, 275. 07	32, 879. 34
Liberty loan bonds:				
First 3½ per cent.....	350. 00			350. 00
First 4½ per cent.....	62, 000. 00			62, 000. 00
Third 4½ per cent.....			10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00
Fourth 4½ per cent.....	87, 700. 00			87, 700. 00
United States notes.....	384, 500. 00	542, 000. 00	6, 000. 00	932, 500. 00
Bonds at cost, State of West Virginia 3½ per cent.....			4, 727. 00	4, 727. 00
Total.....	565, 449. 91	542, 704. 36	22, 002. 07	1, 130, 156. 34

The president of the board presented the following joint resolution of Congress appointing Paul E. Divine a member of the Board of Managers:

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 5—70TH CONGRESS]

[H. J. Res. 93]

Joint Resolution For the appointment of Paul E. Divine, of Tennessee, as a member of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Paul E. Divine, of Tennessee, be, and he is hereby, appointed member of the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers of the United States, to succeed Major J. W. Wadsworth, senior, of New York, deceased.

Approved, February 4, 1928.

Upon motion, the president was authorized to purchase one or more grave mats for each branch (as required) for use at funerals; same to be purchased from post fund.

Upon motion, the president was instructed to reimburse Maj. P. G. Froemming, treasurer of Marion Branch, in the amount of \$61.95 on account of gasoline tax paid to the State of Indiana.

General Orders, No. 1, amending Home Regulations, paragraphs Nos. 280, 282, 283, 284, 286, 287, 288, 291, 292, 293, 297, 298, 299, 300, 302, 313 and 314, and rescinding paragraphs 290, 295, 301, and 315, was approved.

The president of the board reported that during the winter there had been a shortage of both general medical and domiciliary beds at the Northwestern Branch, and that it had been necessary to post notices at all branches that the Northwestern Branch was full as far as these two services were concerned. He further reported that before the meeting he had gone to the Northwestern Branch and made a thorough survey of the subject with the governor and surgeon and had found that by utilizing in full beds in the tuberculosis service (by assigning one-half of it to general medical cases and by placing the barrack now used as a general medical and surgical ward in the domiciliary class) it would be possible to increase both the number of general medical and domiciliary beds and meet the needs of the branch, and he had directed the officers of the Northwestern Branch to carry out this program. Upon motion, the action of the president was approved by the board.

Capt. O. E. Harper, formerly quartermaster and commissary of subsistence at the Battle Mountain Sanitarium appeared before the board and gave a statement as to his service and resignation as quartermaster and commissary of subsistence at Battle Mountain Sanitarium and requested that he be given a reappointment in the home service. After consideration, as there were no vacancies at present in the home service, it was decided that nothing could be done at the present time.

Upon motion, it was directed that in addition to the rewiring of General Hospital (formerly authorized) that subpanels be installed for the further convenience and safety of the hospital at Western Branch.

An opportunity was given, after due announcement, to members to appear before the board for the purpose of presenting suggestions, complaints, or requests. Such suggestions, complaints, and requests as were made were acted upon.

The board made the usual inspection of the grounds, barracks, hospitals and other buildings of the Western Branch and the written criticisms of the several members of the board were referred to the governor for appropriate action.

The board then proceeded to the Pacific Branch to reconvene March 20, 1928.

PACIFIC BRANCH, *March 20, 1928,*

Upon motion, the secretary of the board was directed to cast the vote of the board separately, for Gen. George H. Wood, president; Col. Roy L. Marston, first vice president; and Col. John J. Steadman, second vice president. This having been done, the aforementioned persons were declared duly elected to said offices.

Upon motion, the first vice president was directed to cast the vote of the board for Capt. W. S. Albright, secretary. This having been done, Captain Albright was declared elected to said office.

Upon motion, the president of the board was directed to reimburse Col. Roy L. Marston in the amount of \$110.13, expenses of trip to Philadelphia to attend the American Legion Convention, October, 1926, which was authorized by the board.

The president reported to the board that there was an acute need for additional neuropsychiatric beds at several of the branches, and recommended that alterations be made at the Southern Branch increasing facilities there and that neuropsychiatric wards be established at Battle Mountain Sanitarium and Mountain Branch. Upon motion, the recommendations of the president were adopted.

The president presented to the board correspondence with the Hon. Charles C. Hale for services rendered in establishing the identity of a Civil War veteran—John Snyder—by which Snyder secured a pension and was afterwards admitted to the Danville Home. After thorough consideration and upon motion, the board decided that under the law, pension money to the account of John Snyder, incompetent member (now in the hands of the treasurer, Danville Branch), could not be appropriated by the board to recompense such service.

The president presented to the board correspondence with the chamber of commerce and other citizens at Johnson City, Tenn., asking cooperation in establishing an aviation landing field at Johnson City. Upon motion, the president was directed to advise the chamber of commerce and others that the home would be glad to cooperate in this matter.

The president reported to the board that the State of New York had passed certain legislation authorizing the transfer of the New York State Soldiers' Home at Bath, N. Y., to the Federal Government and presented correspondence with members of Congress upon this matter. After thorough consideration and upon motion, it was voted that the matter be submitted to the Director, Bureau of the Budget, with the recommendation that legislation be enacted providing for the transfer of the New York State Soldiers' Home to the National Military Home, as it would furnish additional general medical and domiciliary beds in a locality where the home has no such services and where it is eminently needed.

The president of the board reported that during the winter 1927-28 there had been a 10 per cent increase in the membership of the home;

that during the months of January and February the Pacific and Northwestern Branches and Battle Mountain Sanitarium had been full to capacity and unable to care for all applicants who, under the law, were entitled to the services of the home, and that other branches were rapidly approaching this condition; that a comparative study of the statistics of the past and present led to the conclusion that within one or two years the facilities of the home for the care of veterans would be reached at all branches, and that in his opinion it was the duty of the board to take such steps as were necessary to carry on the work enjoined upon the board by present legislation.

After consideration and upon motion, it was ordered that the executive officers make immediately an intensive study of the home facilities as compared with the probable demand for service and that the result of such survey be submitted to the board at the June, 1928, meeting, so that the board might by proper action call the attention of the President of the United States and Congress to the situation with such recommendations as seem proper to furnish the facilities as indicated by the survey.

The president reported that prior to this meeting he had visited the Northwestern Branch and inspected the right of way of the Milwaukee Electric Railway Co. through the cemetery, and recommended that they be permitted to substitute a concrete wall for the present fence on the line of the present right of way, and that neither poles nor other obstruction be placed on the home grounds inside the wall. On motion, such permission was granted to the Milwaukee Electric Railway Co.

The president of the board reported that the appropriation for the erection of certain buildings at the Marion Branch and for the erection of new mess hall at the Pacific Branch was carried in the regular annual military appropriation bill, 1929, but with the proviso that the funds in each instance would be immediately available.

Upon motion, the president and executive officers were instructed to proceed with the construction of the buildings as soon as funds were available.

Upon motion, it was resolved by the board to reimburse officers for actual expenses incurred in moving their families when transferred from one branch of the home to another, regardless of the fact that transfer was made by automobile.

The governor of the Pacific Branch reported that the new fire-proof hospital, which had been placed in commission in May, 1927, had been in most successful operation since that time, but that during this period it had been impossible to receive and care for all disabled veterans needing hospital attention, and that there was a waiting list of veterans who should be accepted at once, if facilities were available, and that additional general medical and surgical beds were indicated as an immediate need at the Pacific Branch.

After consideration and upon motion, the executive officers were instructed to call the attention of the President of the United States and Congress to the situation, and request authorization for the construction of an additional wing to the present hospital with a capacity of 250 beds, attention being especially invited to the fact that the present administrative and service facilities had been designed to provide such service for two additional wings of equal bed capacity to the present wings, and that such additional construction

would simply furnish the space for 250 hospital beds without necessitating additional administrative and service facilities.

The present 3-story wooden barracks now used at the Pacific Branch were carefully inspected by the members of the board and the situation thoroughly discussed.

On motion, the action of the board in March, 1927, in recommending the replacement of the present 3-story frame buildings by proper fireproof structures was reaffirmed, as conditions during the past year (two fires having occurred in two separate barracks) have accentuated the need thereof, and the executive officers were directed to submit this resolution to the President of the United States and to Congress and to request that the bill now pending before Congress authorizing the construction of 12 fireproof barracks with a capacity of 300 beds each, be enacted as law.

The president submitted to the board an estimate furnished by the Maine Electric Light Co., of \$8,400 for rewiring the hospital at Eastern Branch. This estimate was considered excessive, and the president requested Col. Roy L. Marston to go into the matter thoroughly and make recommendations.

The president reported to the board that since his arrival at the Pacific Branch he had received a letter from Gen. Frank T. Hines, Director of the United States Veterans' Bureau, in which General Hines requested that space for the regional office of the bureau at Milwaukee be granted in the tuberculosis annex.

After thorough consideration and upon motion, the board directed the president to write to General Hines and state that by resolution previously adopted a rearrangement of services had been authorized at the Northwestern Branch which would render it impossible to grant his request.

Upon motion the president was instructed to reimburse Dr. C. W. McClanahan in the amount of \$79.47 from ward fund for expense incurred in transfer from Danville Branch to the Pacific Branch.

Upon motion it was resolved that the monthly rental on concession of post store and restaurant, Pacific Branch, let to R. J. Hart, be reduced to \$150 per month until the new mess hall is completed and in operation.

Upon motion it was resolved that all cases of accidental injury to Government employees should be reported by the governor to the proper authorities, and that a member employed in reimbursing the home for clothing should be considered as a Government employee.

After thorough discussion the president of the board directed the chief surgeon to make a survey and report to the board at their June, 1928, meeting as to whether or not an appropriation from post fund would relieve the dental situation at the various branches.

The authorities of the county of Los Angeles presented to the board the matter of widening Wilshire Boulevard through the Pacific Branch, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

After thorough consideration and upon motion, it was voted that such easement be granted to the county of Los Angeles, if same can be legally granted, on condition that the county of Los Angeles curb, gutter, and pave the sidewalks on both sides of Wilshire Boulevard along its entire extent within the Pacific Branch; that it install a system of lighting similar to that used on other parts of Wilshire Boulevard and that it construct under Wilshire Boulevard at the

corner of Wilshire Boulevard and Bonsall Avenue an 8-foot tunnel with proper ramped approaches.

During the present meeting of the Board of Managers, upon motion, the following appropriations from general post fund were made:

Central Branch:	
For repairs to roof, Memorial Hall.....	\$500
Repairs to organ, Protestant Chapel.....	3, 650
Western Branch:	
For improvements to baseball park.....	1, 000
For purchase of mower.....	400
For water section in hotel.....	400
For metal shelving in library, not to exceed.....	500
For water coolers, and drinking fountains in barracks.....	2, 000
Pacific Branch:	
For remodeling old morgue and physiotherapy building in rear of General Barry Building, into two sets of married civilian employees' quarters.....	960
For improvement of cemetery.....	7, 000
For ceiling ventilation, Ward Memorial Hall.....	40
Additional bleachers and improving baseball park.....	1, 600
For repairs to roof of chapel.....	500
For interior painting and varnishing of chapel building.....	500
Marion Branch: Repairs to sidewalk in front of library and theater.....	500

Upon motion, the president of the board was instructed to visit and inspect the Battle Mountain Sanitarium.

The board made the usual inspection of the grounds, barracks, hospital and other buildings of the Pacific Branch, and the written criticisms of the several members of the board were referred to the governor for appropriate action.

An opportunity was given, after due announcement, to members to appear before the board for the purpose of presenting suggestions, complaints, or requests. Such suggestions, complaints, and requests as were made were acted upon.

There being no further business before the board, the board upon motion adjourned March 23, 1928, to meet at the Eastern Branch at 10 a. m., June 21, 1928.

WILLIAM S. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

EASTERN BRANCH, NATIONAL HOME FOR
DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS,
Togus, Me., June 21, 1928.

The board met in regular quarterly session at 10 a. m.

Present: Gen. George H. Wood, president; Col. Roy L. Marston, first vice president; Capt. William S. Albright, secretary; Maj. Paul E. Divine.

Absent: Col. John J. Steadman; Capt. John C. Nelson; Hon. James S. Catherwood.

The minutes of the last meeting were submitted and approved.

The president of the board reported having received and accepted the following resignations:

Central Branch: Dr. Morris A. Weinger, assistant surgeon, effective March 31, 1928. Dr. Marcus A. Newell, assistant surgeon, effective May 26, 1928. Dr. Edwin L. Winslow, assistant surgeon, effective June 10, 1928. Dr. Oliver J. Hart, assistant surgeon, effective June 21, 1928.

Northwestern Branch: Dr. Clarence A. Toline, assistant surgeon, effective March 31, 1928. Dr. John R. Brown, assistant surgeon, effective May 6, 1928.

Eastern Branch: Dr. David P. Young, assistant surgeon, effective April 20, 1928.

Southern Branch: Dr. Henry O. Colomb, assistant surgeon, effective June 30, 1928.

Pacific Branch: Dr. John E. Hewitt, assistant surgeon, effective March 17, 1928. Dr. Paul H. Esslinger, assistant surgeon, effective May 17, 1928. Dr. Walter W. Peterson, assistant surgeon, effective June 30, 1928. Dr. Robert E. Bond, assistant surgeon, effective June 30, 1928.

Danville Branch: Dr. Jaffray J. Vega, assistant surgeon, effective May 16, 1928.

Battle Mountain Sanitarium: Dr. Emanuel J. Cohn, assistant surgeon, effective April 15, 1928.

Upon motion, the action of the president in each of the above cases was approved.

The president of the board reported, that acting under the authority heretofore conferred by the board, he had made the following appointments:

Central Branch: Dr. James W. Calvert, assistant surgeon, to date from July 1, 1928. Dr. William H. Bradford, assistant surgeon, to date from July 1, 1928. Dr. Albert F. Gregg, assistant surgeon, to date from July 16, 1928.

Northwestern Branch: Dr. Walter L. McNamara, assistant surgeon, to date from April 1, 1928. Dr. Oscar S. Gillis, assistant surgeon, to date from April 16, 1928. Dr. Samuel Brown, assistant surgeon, to date from July 2, 1928.

Eastern Branch: Dr. W. Ivan King, assistant surgeon, to date from April 21, 1928. Dr. Talbert B. Hughes, assistant surgeon, to date from June 22, 1928.

Pacific Branch: Dr. R. Esmond Smith, assistant surgeon, to date from April 1, 1928. Dr. Walter W. Peterson, assistant surgeon, to date from May 18, 1928. Dr. Milton E. Hubbard, assistant surgeon, to date from July 1, 1928. Dr. Franklin S. Reding, assistant surgeon, to date from July 1, 1928. Dr. Norman A. Ross, assistant surgeon, to date from July 1, 1928.

Danville Branch: Dr. Dan W. Bolton, assistant surgeon, to date from June 1, 1928.

Mountain Branch: Dr. Aleksei A. Leonidoff, assistant surgeon, to date from May 20, 1928.

Battle Mountain Sanitarium: Dr. Wayne P. O'Brien, assistant surgeon, to date from April 1, 1928. Dr. Norman Balfour, assistant surgeon, to date from July 1, 1928.

Upon motion, the action of the president in each of the above cases was approved by the board.

The president presented the following statement of special funds on hand June 18, 1928:

Statement special funds on hand June 18, 1928

	General post active	Fund reserve	Ward fund	Total
RECEIPTS				
Received from branches.....	\$63, 210. 43			\$63, 210. 43
Interest, checking accounts.....	173. 51		\$0. 26	173. 77
Interest, Liberty loan bonds.....	1, 863. 66		317. 50	2, 181. 06
Interest, United States notes.....	8, 752. 78	\$9, 146. 25		17, 899. 01
Sale of sheep and wool.....			136. 38	136. 38
Total receipts.....	74, 000. 26	9, 146. 25	454. 14	83, 600. 65
Balance Mar. 13, 1928.....	565, 449. 91	542, 704. 36	22, 002. 07	1, 130, 156. 34
Total to be accounted for.....	639, 450. 17	551, 850. 61	22, 456. 21	1, 213, 756. 99
EXPENDITURES				
Transferred to branches.....	64, 300. 00			64, 300. 00
Expended per voucher.....	390. 00		1, 428. 46	1, 818. 46
Accrued interest, United States notes.....	333. 81			333. 81
Total expenditures.....	65, 023. 81		1, 428. 46	66, 452. 27
Balance June 18, 1928.....	574, 426. 36	551, 850. 61	21, 027. 75	1, 147, 304. 72

Statement special funds on hand June 18, 1928—Continued

	General post active	Fund reserve	Ward fund	Total
Balance composed of:				
Checking accounts: City National Bank, Dayton, Ohio.....	\$123. 64	{ \$704. 36 9, 146. 25 }	\$300. 75	\$10, 027. 72
Liberty loan bonds:				
First, 3½ per cent.....	350. 00			350. 00
First, 4½ per cent.....	62, 000. 00			62, 000. 00
Third, 4½ per cent.....			10, 000. 00	10, 000. 00
Fourth, 4½ per cent.....	87, 700. 00			87, 700. 00
United States notes.....	424, 500. 00	542, 000. 00	6, 000. 00	972, 500. 00
Bonds, State of West Virginia.....			4, 727. 00	4, 727. 00
Total.....	574, 426. 36	551, 850. 61	21, 027. 75	1, 147, 304. 72

¹ Overdraft.

² Deposited June 16, 1928.

The president of the board submitted the estimates for the several branches for expenditure from general post fund for the fiscal year 1929. After consideration, upon motion, and by unanimous vote, it was ordered that the estimates submitted be modified by the post fund councils of administration at each branch to provide for an expenditure of at least \$500 for library books, \$200 for newspapers and periodicals, and to furnish at least two motion-picture shows each week for not less than eight months during the year, and that there be appropriated for the purposes embraced in the estimates at the several branches the following amounts:

Central Branch.....	\$14, 500	Pacific Branch.....	\$16, 200
Northwestern Branch.....	14, 700	Marion Branch.....	11, 500
Eastern Branch.....	11, 000	Danville Branch.....	12, 000
Southern Branch.....	12, 000	Mountain Branch.....	11, 500
Western Branch.....	12, 000	Battle Mountain Sanitarium.....	8, 500

The president of the board presented the following act amending the act of June 7, 1924, prescribing the persons entitled to the benefits of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers and the method of their admission thereto, and ordered that it be spread upon the minutes of the meeting:

[PUBLIC—No. 184—70TH CONGRESS]

[H. R. 232]

AN ACT To amend the act of June 7, 1924, prescribing the persons entitled to the benefits of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers and the method of their admission thereto

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the act approved June 7, 1924, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The following persons shall be entitled to the benefits of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and may be admitted thereto upon the order of a member of the Board of Managers, namely: Honorably discharged officers, soldiers, sailors, or marines, including women commissioned or enlisted, and Army and Navy nurses under commission, enlistment, appointment, assignment, or contract since April 21, 1928, who served in the regular, volunteer, or other forces of the United States, or in the Organized Militia or National Guard when called into Federal service, and who are disabled by disease or wounds and who have no adequate means of support, and by reason of such disability are either temporarily or permanently incapacitated from earning a living."

Approved, March 26, 1928.

The president of the board presented the following act approved May 26, 1928:

[PUBLIC—No. 531—70TH CONGRESS]

[H. R. 12953]

AN ACT To authorize the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers to accept title to the State camp for veterans at Bath, New York.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Board of Managers of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, when directed by the President, is authorized to accept on behalf of the United States, free from all encumbrances and without cost to the United States, title in fee simple to the land, including buildings and structures, constituting the camp for veterans at Bath, New York. Upon acceptance of such land by such Board of Managers, such land, buildings, and structures shall become a branch home of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to accept a conveyance, free of cost to the United States, but subject otherwise to the provisions of section 355 of the Revised Statutes, of the cemetery at the New York Camp for Veterans, containing approximately twenty acres, and located near Bath, State of New York, to be maintained as a national cemetery.

Approved, May 26, 1928.

Upon motion, the president of the board was authorized to at once enter into negotiations with the proper authorities looking toward the transfer of the State Home at Bath, N. Y., and to submit to the Director of the Budget estimates for the maintenance of the home when the transfer is completed, for the fiscal year 1929 and fiscal year 1930.

The president of the board submitted an apportionment of the appropriation for the fiscal year 1929 by quarterly allotments under the provisions of section 3697, Revised Statutes of the United States, as amended by act of February 27, 1906, which was approved by the board, and the general treasurer was authorized to make requisitions for the necessary funds to be expended according to law.

Apportionment of congressional appropriation for fiscal year ending June 30, 1929

	Cur- rent ex- penses	Subsist- ence	House- hold	Hospi- tal	Trans- porta- tion	Re- pairs	Farm	Total
Central Branch:								
September quarter 1928.....	\$24,000	\$120,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$600	\$40,000	\$8,000	\$367,600
December quarter 1928.....	21,000	120,000	55,000	90,000	400	20,000	6,000	312,400
March quarter 1929.....	21,000	120,000	60,000	95,000	-----	20,000	7,000	313,000
June quarter 1929.....	17,400	70,000	19,900	85,000	-----	5,000	6,900	204,200
Reserve.....	100	-----	100	-----	-----	-----	100	300
	83,500	430,000	200,000	370,000	1,000	85,000	28,000	1,197,600
Northwestern Branch:								
September quarter 1928.....	20,000	85,000	40,000	80,000	200	25,000	7,000	257,200
December quarter 1928.....	18,000	80,000	40,000	75,000	150	15,000	4,000	232,150
March quarter 1929.....	17,000	80,000	40,000	72,000	150	14,000	3,000	226,150
June quarter 1929.....	13,900	45,000	27,900	63,000	-----	11,000	2,900	163,700
Reserve.....	100	-----	100	-----	-----	-----	100	300
	69,000	290,000	148,000	290,000	500	65,000	17,000	879,500
Eastern Branch:								
September quarter 1928.....	16,000	32,000	63,000	20,000	500	12,000	9,000	152,500
December quarter 1928.....	15,000	32,000	25,000	17,000	-----	11,000	8,000	108,000
March quarter 1929.....	14,000	33,000	12,000	17,000	-----	6,000	6,000	88,000
June quarter 1929.....	12,400	16,000	5,000	18,000	-----	5,900	3,000	60,300
Reserve.....	100	-----	-----	-----	-----	100	-----	200
	57,500	113,000	106,000	72,000	500	35,000	26,000	409,000

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	Cur- rent ex- penses	Subsist- ence	House- hold	Hospi- tal	Trans- porta- tion	Re- pairs	Farm	Total
Southern Branch:								
September quarter 1928	\$18,000	\$70,000	\$40,000	\$45,000	\$500	\$81,000	\$5,000	\$194,500
December quarter 1928	16,000	70,000	35,000	42,000	500	13,000	4,000	180,500
March quarter 1929	16,000	70,000	30,000	42,000		13,000	4,000	175,000
June quarter 1929	14,900	57,000	24,900	36,000		8,000	3,400	144,200
Reserve	100		100				100	300
	65,000	267,000	130,000	165,000	1,000	50,000	18,500	694,500
Western Branch:								
September quarter 1928	20,000	65,000	30,000	40,000	300	35,000	0,000	100,300
December quarter 1928	18,000	64,000	45,000	36,000	200	11,000	6,000	180,200
March quarter 1929	18,000	64,000	46,000	45,000		11,000	5,000	199,000
June quarter 1929	15,500	52,000	23,900	29,000		9,000	5,100	134,600
Reserve	100		100				100	300
	71,600	245,000	145,000	150,000	500	66,000	25,200	703,300
Pacific Branch:								
September quarter 1928	23,000	130,000	45,000	110,000	300	20,000	10,000	338,300
December quarter 1928	21,000	130,000	40,000	100,000	200	20,000	9,000	320,200
March quarter 1929	19,000	130,000	35,000	100,000	200	13,000	6,000	308,200
June quarter 1929	16,900	102,000	24,900	82,000	100	11,000	4,900	242,700
Reserve	100		100		200	100	100	600
	80,000	492,000	145,000	392,000	1,000	70,000	30,600	1,210,000
Marion Branch:								
September quarter 1928	16,000	75,000	45,000	82,000	300	24,000	6,000	248,300
December quarter 1928	14,000	65,000	20,000	75,000	200	12,000	5,000	191,200
March quarter 1929	14,000	65,000	25,000	75,000	200	12,000	5,000	196,200
June quarter 1929	12,900	55,000	14,900	74,000	100	7,000	3,900	167,800
Reserve	100		100		200		100	500
	57,000	260,000	105,000	306,000	1,000	55,000	20,000	804,000
Danville Branch:								
September quarter 1928	19,000	60,000	32,000	34,000	200	22,000	6,000	173,200
December quarter 1928	18,000	60,000	32,000	28,000	150	10,000	3,500	151,650
March quarter 1929	16,000	60,000	34,000	26,000	150	12,000	3,000	151,150
June quarter 1929	14,400	45,000	25,900	24,000		11,000	3,400	123,700
Reserve	100		100				100	300
	67,500	225,000	124,000	112,000	500	55,000	16,000	600,000
Mountain Branch:								
September quarter 1928	16,000	80,000	26,000	60,000	200	16,000	10,000	208,200
December quarter 1928	15,000	60,000	25,000	60,000	200	14,000	8,000	182,200
March quarter 1929	14,000	50,000	24,000	55,000	100	10,000	7,000	160,100
June quarter 1929	12,000	30,000	18,900	55,000		9,900	5,900	131,700
Reserve			100			100	100	300
	57,000	220,000	94,000	230,000	500	50,000	31,000	682,500
Battle Mountain Sanitarium:								
September quarter 1928	12,000	35,000	25,000	35,000	400	9,000	2,000	118,400
December quarter 1928	12,000	33,000	25,000	35,000	100	8,000	1,800	114,900
March quarter 1929	11,000	30,000	15,000	34,000		5,000	1,500	96,500
June quarter 1929	9,900	17,000	9,900	11,000		2,000	1,100	50,900
Reserve	100		100				100	300
	45,000	115,000	75,000	115,000	500	24,000	8,500	381,000

	Clothing for all branches	Salaries, etc.	State aid	Total
September quarter 1928	\$100,000	\$17,000	\$150,000	\$267,000
December quarter 1928	60,000	17,000	150,000	227,000
March quarter 1929	15,000	13,000	150,000	178,000
June quarter 1929	5,000	11,500	110,000	126,500
Reserve		500		500
Total	180,000	59,000	560,000	799,000
Grand total				8,360,300

The president of the board stated that notice had been given to all governors covering the granting of leave to veterans of the Spanish-American War who were employees of the home service to attend the Spanish-American War encampment at Habana, Cuba, in September, 1928.

Upon motion, Rev. Guy P. Squire was appointed chaplain of Battle Mountain Sanitarium to date from July 1, 1928.

The president submitted to the board all papers in connection with the claim of Bernard G. Jones v. the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and after a careful review of the case it was determined that no action by the board would be possible.

After due consideration and, upon motion, authority was given the president of the Board of Managers to have shower baths installed at the various branches wherever the need is indicated.

The president of the board submitted the following survey of home facilities and estimates as to probable needs:

At the March meeting of the Board of Managers the executive officers were instructed to make a survey of the general situation in the various branches of the home and, taking into consideration the present facilities and probable demands, to lay down a comprehensive program for the future development of the home.

During the past fiscal year, despite the fact that the Civil War membership of the home is now reduced to about 17 per cent of the membership, the total membership of the home at the peak on February 28 showed a gain of 10 per cent over that of the year before. With a very large number of veterans now eligible to the home, it is apparent that there will be a constantly increasing demand for the home service in the future, and to meet this demand a careful study of what the probable load will be should be made at once. As stated above, the total Civil War population has fallen to 17 per cent, and while this will decrease during the next few years, there is such a small percentage now that any decrease will have but little effect upon our total membership, which will be largely made up of veterans of the Spanish-American and World Wars, where the mortality rate will not be excessive in the near future. Therefore, if we assume a 10 per cent increase for the next five years, we find that our peak load in 1928 will be 18,400; in 1929, 20,300; in 1930, 22,300; and in 1931, 24,500. It is necessary, therefore, for the board to take these figures, compare them with our present facilities, and lay down a program of construction which will meet the demands, and as it usually takes two years to accomplish authorization, appropriation, and construction, it is wise to plan the proper way to meet the situation.

Before determining where additional construction should be asked for, an important question must be answered. What is the largest practicable unit that can economically and efficiently be handled by the home? In my opinion, a unit of 4,000 is the largest unit that can be efficiently handled so as to enable the officers of the branch to have such clear information and knowledge as to details of operation, so that they may carry on efficiently. At the time of the peak load in the winter of 1927-28, we had 1,460 barrack beds, 620 general hospital and medical beds and 600 tuberculosis beds vacant, but unfortunately, the disposition of these vacant beds was such that they really were not available to meet the situation, for nearly 500 vacant barrack beds and 170 general hospital beds were located at the Eastern Branch, which could only be used by demand in that section of the country. Therefore the first problem to be met by the board is to plan how to meet the increase of 1,600 members during the winter of 1928-29. The bill recently enacted by Congress and approved by the President, authorizing the transfer of the home at Bath, N. Y., will meet the situation, I believe, in the eastern part of the country. At Milwaukee, the board has directed a reclassification of facilities so that we will have about 150 barrack beds and 125 general hospital and medical beds in excess of the number of last winter, by utilizing surplus tuberculosis beds, and as there were 380 vacant barrack beds at Danville at the time of the peak load, it is felt that in the central section of the country the situation can be handled satisfactorily. In the Middle West the situation is acute as we only had 46 vacant beds in barracks at the Western Branch, and Battle Mountain Sanitarium was full. A reclassification of beds at Battle Mountain already ordered, will furnish 125 additional barrack beds there, by utilizing sur-

plus tuberculosis beds, but no relief can be afforded the Western Branch this winter, therefore, it would seem that two additional barracks are indicated for immediate authorization at the Western Branch. The Pacific Branch was full, but with the authorization approved by Congress for construction of new barracks, we will be able to increase slightly our domiciliary capacity, and as far as barracks are concerned can do nothing at present but urge an appropriation for construction of new barracks.

At the March meeting of the board, a resolution was passed recommending an additional wing to the general hospital and this should be an item of our legislative program for the next winter. In addition, a dormitory and infirmary for ex-service women at the Pacific Branch should also be asked for. As another part of our program for the legislative year of 1928-29, I feel that we should recommend to Congress the establishment of a home somewhere in the Southern States. At present, we have no home south of Johnson City, Tenn., and as the last two wars were fought by men from all sections of the country, we are having a very heavy demand for our service from the Southern States.

Another item that should be included in our legislative program for 1928-29 is an additional wing to the hospital in Danville. This hospital has been filled to capacity all winter, with such a small margin of operation that it has not been possible to handle all claims made upon it.

For the legislative program for the year 1929-30, I would recommend the following program:

Additional neuropsychiatric facilities at the Southern Branch, with a capacity of 250 beds; a new barrack at the Danville Branch with a capacity of 250 beds; a new barrack at the Northwestern Branch with a capacity of 250 beds; and an additional wing to the hospital at the Western Branch.

For the year 1930-31, two modern barracks to replace the three old frame barracks at the Southern Branch, giving materially increased facilities at that branch, and possibly an additional barrack at the Western Branch are indicated.

In checking up this program, no mention has been made of the Central Branch, because legislation now pending before Congress would furnish the Central Branch a new fireproof hospital and this would release the present hospital section for domiciliary use, giving an increase of approximately 800 beds. If this legislation is carried through, the Central Branch will be in position to meet all demands on it for the next 5 years, but if it fails, additional barrack beds to the number of at least 500 must be provided at the Central Branch.

Plans are now being prepared for additional facilities at the Marion Branch and it is felt that these beds will be occupied just as soon as they are ready for use. This will increase the capacity of the Marion Branch to about 1,400 and it is felt that this is as large a neuropsychiatric unit as can be properly handled. The replacement of some of our older buildings for newer and more modern buildings might be very desirable, but with the increased population and the need for additional facilities it is not felt that within the next five years replacement programs could be justified.

GEORGE H. WOOD,
President Board of Managers.

Upon motion, after a thorough discussion, the recommendations made in the above survey were approved, and the president of the board was directed to submit the same to the President and Congress for their consideration.

The president presented to the board the case of Hugh H. Sullivan, a member of the Central Branch, and, upon motion, the president was directed to make a settlement with Mr. Sullivan from ward fund.

Upon motion, the following resolution was ordered spread on the minutes of the meeting:

Whereas the home service alone seems to have no provision by law to retire officers and employees who have served continuously for a period of time consistent with such provisions incident to service in other branches of governmental service; and

Whereas it is the consensus of opinion of the Board of Managers that there should be such a provision, and that steps should be taken to prepare for presentation to Congress a scheme to accomplish this end: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the president of the board be authorized and directed to appoint a committee of three to prepare as a tentative draft of a proposed act of Congress

to effectuate the ends above set forth, and present the same to the next meeting of the board for the final action in the premises and preparatory to having the same put in the way of congressional acceptance and action.

Upon motion it was resolved that the request for the installation of ceiling fans and desk fans in hospital wards at the Western Branch should be approved.

Upon motion it was resolved that the president of the board be authorized to have all hospitals of the home equipped with suitable fire escapes, the money for this purpose to be appropriated from general post fund.

During the present meeting of the Board of Managers, upon motion, the following appropriations from general post fund were made:

Eastern Branch:

For repairing windows of the theater building.....	\$1, 000
For alterations to the home hotel—which is a post fund building...	1, 000
For construction of a new restraint ward in hospital.....	3, 000

An opportunity was given after due consideration to members to appear before the Board of Managers for the purpose of presenting suggestions, complaints, or requests. Such suggestions, complaints, or requests as were made were acted upon.

The board made the usual inspection of the grounds, barracks, hospital, and other buildings of the Eastern Branch.

There being no further business before the board, the board, upon motion, adjourned June 22, 1928, to meet at the headquarters office, National Military Home, Dayton, Ohio, at 10 a. m. September 21, 1928, proceeding thence to the Marion, Danville, and Northwestern branches.

WILLIAM S. ALBRIGHT, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE GENERAL TREASURER

HEADQUARTERS OFFICE, NATIONAL MILITARY HOME,
Dayton, Ohio, December 1, 1928.

SIR: I have the honor to forward herewith certain papers to accompany the annual report of the Board of Managers to Congress for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928. They consist of Tables A to P:

- A. Statement of receipts and payments.
- B. Operations of the general fund beginning with the year 1867, up to and including the fiscal year 1928.
- C. Statement of expenditures for salaries of officers and employees of the Board of Managers, traveling expenses, and incidental expenses.
- D. Comparative statistics for years ended June 30, 1927, and June 30, 1928.
- E. Statement of average cost per capita from organization to June 30, 1928.
- F. Operations, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, fiscal year 1928.
- G. Expenditures for personal services.
- H. Consolidated statement pension fund.
- I. Consolidated statement post fund.
- J. Statement of lands and buildings.
- K. Statement of clothing manufactured at general depot.
- L. Statement of clothing transferred at general depot.
- M. Statement of members present, cost of maintenance, and Federal aid paid to States.
- N. Statement of ward fund.
- O. Statement of general post fund, active.
- P. Statement of general post fund, reserve.

The papers referred to above contain full information as to the financial transactions of the home and are supported by the books and vouchers in this office.

Respectfully yours,

C. W. WADSWORTH,
General Treasurer,
National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

Gen. GEORGE H. WOOD,
President Board of Managers,
National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

TABLE A.—Statement of receipts and payments, general fund, from the appropriation for the fiscal year 1928

	Receipts	Payments
Balance on hand July 1, 1927.....	\$54,590.69	-----
Received from United States Treasury.....	8,587,300.00	-----
Collections, etc.....	242,578.14	-----
Current expenses.....	-----	\$662,482.82
Subsistence.....	-----	2,937,374.09
Household.....	-----	1,293,281.63
Hospital.....	-----	2,177,873.56
Transportation.....	-----	5,754.50
Repairs.....	-----	569,351.36
Farm.....	-----	253,159.71
Clothing.....	-----	214,516.20
Salaries, etc.....	-----	53,168.46
State aid.....	-----	570,000.00
Hospital construction, Pacific Branch.....	-----	54,577.23
Returned to United States Treasury.....	-----	92,929.27
Total.....	8,884,468.83	8,884,468.83

TABLE B.—Operations of the general fund beginning with the year 1867, up to and including fiscal year 1928

	Receipts	Payments
Appropriations, donations, posthumous funds, etc.....	\$215, 035, 235. 41	-----
Permanent investment, buildings, grounds, etc.....		\$25, 013, 735. 03
Maintenance, operating costs.....		189, 928, 571. 11
Returned to United States Treasury.....		92, 929. 27
	215, 035, 235. 41	215, 035, 235. 41

TABLE C.—Statement of expenditures for salaries of officers and employees of the Board of Managers, traveling expenses, outside relief, and incidental expenses, year ending June 30, 1928

Traveling expenses attending meetings of the Board of Managers, inspections, and official visits to the several branches of the National Home and State Homes; officers and employees of the Board of Managers, mileage, railroad tickets, berths, seats, hotel bills, portage, and meals:

Mileage.....	\$5, 536. 84
Traveling expenses.....	851. 66
Railroad tickets, berths, seats, hotel bills, portage, transfers, and meals—	
Gen. George H. Wood.....	1, 197. 64
Col. Roy L. Marston.....	744. 62
Capt. W. S. Albright.....	752. 13
Hon. James S. Catherwood.....	220. 88
Col. John J. Steadman.....	247. 78
Capt. John C. Nelson.....	58. 98
Maj. Paul E. Divine.....	439. 78
Headquarters office:	
President.....	4, 000. 00
General treasurer.....	5, 000. 00
Chief surgeon.....	4, 500. 00
Inspector general.....	3, 500. 00
Assistant general treasurer.....	3, 500. 00
Secretary.....	500. 00
Clerical services.....	18, 661. 83
Clerical services for members of the Board of Managers.....	2, 433. 75
Incidental expenses.....	929. 29
Total.....	53, 075. 18

TABLE D.—Comparative statistics for years ended June 30, 1928, June 30, 1927, and June 30, 1926

Subjects	1928	1927	1926
Expended for operation of the home (general fund).....	\$8, 114, 856. 87	\$7, 560, 642. 22	\$7, 495, 964. 67
Expended for alterations and improvements and increased equipment (general fund).....	\$54, 577. 23	\$1, 214, 994. 52	\$617, 500. 00
Expended for operation of the home (special fund).....	\$221, 523. 31	\$232, 307. 86	\$249, 068. 27
Annual cost per member (general fund).....	\$534. 08	\$544. 87	\$542. 32
Annual cost per member (special fund).....	\$14. 79	\$16. 71	\$18. 02
Annual cost per member (general and special funds).....	\$548. 87	\$561. 58	\$560. 34
Average number of members present, including men cared for temporarily ¹	15, 194	13, 876	13, 822
Average number of members present and absent.....	19, 548	17, 651	17, 667
Number of members cared for who served in the Civil War.....	5, 249	6, 891	8, 129
Number of members cared for who served in the Spanish War.....	15, 619	14, 977	12, 497
Number of members cared for who served in the World War.....	24, 120	19, 213	15, 513
Whole number cared for during the year.....	44, 988	41, 081	36, 139
Average age of members cared for who served in the Civil War.....	80. 95	82. 16	81. 75

¹ Includes temporarily at posts.

TABLE D.—Comparative statistics for years ended June 30, 1928, June 30, 1927, and June 30, 1926—Continued

Subjects	1928	1927	1926
Average age of members cared for who served in the Spanish War	55.12	54.84	54.56
Average age of members cared for who served in the World War	35.54	34.82	34.26
Number of deaths of members who served in the Civil War	872	970	1,092
Number of deaths of members who served in the Spanish War	431	410	392
Number of deaths of members who served in the World War	602	533	462
Total number of deaths ¹	1,905	1,913	1,946
Average age at death of members who served in the Civil War	83.00	83.42	82.49
Average age at death of members who served in the Spanish War	57.51	56.17	54.23
Average age at death of members who served in the World War	35.49	34.27	33.24
Pensioners (whole number cared for)	17,503	17,255	16,664
Pensions received	\$5,502,956.84	\$5,556,014.87	\$5,076,326.77
Aggregate number of colored members	1,484	1,243	1,035
Average number present in 32 State soldier's homes in 28 States	4,806	4,797	5,176
Average number present and absent in State homes	6,501	6,543	7,199
Whole number cared for in State homes	11,140	10,863	11,068
Amount paid to State homes	\$570,000.00	\$573,373.69	\$611,230.35
Average number present during the year in National and State homes, including men cared for temporarily in the National homes	20,000	18,673	18,998
Average number present and absent during the year in National and State homes	26,049	24,194	24,866
Whole number cared for during the year in National and State homes	56,128	51,944	42,207

TABLE E.—Statement of annual cost per capita each year from organization to 1928

	Average present	Cost per capita, maintenance	Amount expended for maintenance
Period ending Dec. 31, 1867	479	\$273.65	\$131,077.12
Year ending Dec. 31, 1868	899	495.37	440,382.00
11 months ending Nov. 30, 1869	1,309	251.92	329,765.57
Year ending Nov. 30:			
1870	1,685	262.01	441,492.15
1871	2,091	244.60	511,477.92
1872	2,336	223.34	521,714.33
1873	2,674	174.68	449,627.47
1874	3,286	166.47	547,018.76
1875	3,685	167.74	618,144.40
13 months ending Dec. 31, 1876	4,170	172.68	720,006.53
Year ending Dec. 31:			
1877	4,751	129.58	615,613.95
1878	5,322	129.38	688,578.25
6 months ending June 30, 1879	5,677	63.71	361,654.77
Year ending June 30:			
1880	5,603	118.23	662,453.18
1881	5,822	132.17	769,477.86
1882	6,061	125.07	760,535.97
1883	6,738	137.36	925,525.14
1884	7,494	132.26	991,159.17
1885	8,118	138.65	1,125,533.74
1886	8,758	125.60	1,100,046.23
1887	8,718	138.02	1,341,234.95
1888	10,681	132.14	1,411,411.00
1889	11,727	144.83	1,698,463.35
1890	12,935	141.07	1,824,727.68
1891	13,931	139.50	1,943,383.94
1892	14,196	143.75	2,040,736.42
1893	14,661	140.95	2,066,527.94
1894	15,601	137.45	1,968,391.67
1895	16,480	115.80	1,908,435.07
1896	17,454	111.60	1,947,925.16
1897	18,173	119.23	2,166,809.37
1898	18,556	117.84	2,186,687.79
1899	18,514	123.97	2,332,306.40
1900	19,230	130.91	2,517,370.57
1901	20,016	133.36	2,669,266.82

TABLE E.—Statement of annual cost per capita each year from organization to 1928—
Continued

	Average present	Cost per capita, main- tenance	Amount expended for maintenance
Year ending June 30—Continued.			
1902.....	20,505	\$141.57	\$2,902,942.26
1903.....	20,553	144.06	2,960,815.68
1904.....	20,737	156.38	3,242,792.38
1905.....	21,097	157.76	3,343,696.67
1906.....	21,105	154.55	3,261,790.99
1907.....	20,715	157.23	3,244,875.04
1908.....	19,919	184.62	3,697,735.42
1909.....	20,276	184.38	3,738,408.12
1910.....	19,645	192.05	3,882,782.90
1911.....	18,979	195.83	3,716,585.32
1912.....	18,977	198.81	3,772,888.43
1913.....	17,558	207.87	3,649,861.51
1914.....	16,790	217.03	3,643,939.61
1915.....	17,118	214.73	3,676,824.59
1916.....	17,089	223.56	3,809,277.01
1917.....	16,598	240.32	3,983,898.33
1918.....	15,626	287.17	4,487,345.85
1919.....	13,204	353.91	4,672,998.82
1920.....	12,622	393.25	4,963,643.23
1921.....	12,566	543.15	6,987,273.05
1922.....	13,847	525.41	7,277,540.41
1923.....	13,288	533.35	7,087,061.30
1924.....	13,775	542.45	7,470,342.77
1925.....	14,363	541.89	7,783,165.73
1926.....	13,822	542.32	7,495,954.67
1927.....	13,876	545.02	7,560,642.22
1928.....	15,194	534.08	8,114,856.87

TABLE F.—Statement of operations, fiscal year 1928, compared with fiscal year 1927

Branches	Members						Expenditures		Per diem cost			
	Average present		Average sick in hospital		Average subsisted				Hospital patients		Domiciliary members	
	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927	1928	1927
Central.....	2,691	2,359	734	743	3,074	2,730	\$1,253,728.45	\$1,175,292.48	\$2,457	\$2,476	\$0.867	\$0.926
Northwestern.....	1,412	1,388	551	573	1,723	1,517	903,089.06	884,732.14	2,847	2,786	1.067	1.106
Eastern.....	703	652	153	149	803	746	440,212.31	402,342.99	2,857	2,836	1.364	1.416
Southern.....	1,625	1,432	549	506	1,859	1,650	712,575.96	674,932.47	1,907	2.05	.88	1.246
Western.....	1,782	1,573	321	306	2,022	1,826	724,769.15	695,171.48	2,595	2,496	.812	.966
Pacific.....	2,950	2,948	780	727	3,403	3,343	1,224,213.70	1,135,033.64	2,411	2,186	.708	.746
Marion.....	1,013	1,037	1,013	1,037	1,474	1,483	824,384.74	780,603.17	2,187	2,116		
Danville.....	1,583	1,457	224	212	1,740	1,612	615,909.29	576,789.38	2,367	2,436	.877	.816
Mountain.....	999	631	501	631	1,414	1,058	765,825.98	659,549.82	2,307	2,916		
Battle Mountain Sanitarium.....	436	419	436	419	541	491	383,552.32	341,664.83	2.28	2.276		
Clothing for all branches.....	15,194	13,876	5,262	5,303	18,053	16,456	203,520.73	179,065.83	1.037	1.035	1.037	1.035
Administration, Board of Managers, headquarters office.....							53,075.18	55,463.99	1.01	1.011	1.01	1.011
Total cost of operating headquarters office, general depot, and 10 branches of the home.....							8,114,856.87	7,560,642.22				
Expenditures for State aid.....							574,930.32	573,373.69				
Construction, special appropriation, roads Northwestern Branch, revetment, Southern Branch, and new hospital, Pacific Branch.....								1,214,994.52				
Total.....							8,689,787.19	9,349,010.43				

¹ Included in the per diem costs of the several branches.

The cost of administration out of each dollar expended was: 1928, \$0.0065; 1927, \$0.00507.

Statement of operations and analysis of expenditures, fiscal year 1928, compared with 1927

	1928	1927
Average number of members present.....	15,194	13,876
Net expenditures, support of home.....	\$8,114,856.87	\$7,560,642.22
Average per capita cost.....	\$534.06	\$545.02
ANALYSIS OF EACH DOLLAR EXPENDED		
General headquarters: Expenses of Board of Managers, including salaries of officers and employees headquarters office, traveling expenses of the board, office furniture, stationery, telegraph and telephone service, etc.....	\$0.007	\$0.007
Current expenses: Salaries of all officers and employees engaged in connection with the management of the branch including supervision, statistics, purchase of supplies, payment of pensions, accounting, inspection and care of supplies and other property, guards, watchmen, band, and expenditures for office supplies, equipment, stationery, telephone, telegraph, supplies and appliances for fire protection, musical instruments, music, books, library equipment, etc.....	.081	.086
Subsistence: All expenditures for food supplies, for kitchen and dining room equipment, and for wages of all employees engaged in connection with the preparation and serving of meals.....	.36	.346
Household: All expenditures for coal, gas, water, laundry supplies, equipment, beds, bedding and other furniture and household supplies for barracks and quarters, and salaries of all employees engaged in connection with the heating, lighting, water system, laundry and dry cleaning plant.....	.158	.165
Hospital: Salaries of assistant surgeons, trained nurses, and all other employees engaged in the care of the sick; expenditures for drugs, special diet, hospital equipment, caskets, and other hospital supplies.....	.268	.278
Transportation: Pay of transportation of applicants reporting, members transferred, etc.....	.001	.001
Repairs: All expenditures for lumber, paints, oils, boilers, machinery, parts, and the general upkeep of buildings and equipment, and salaries of chief engineer and all employees engaged in the maintenance and repair of buildings, steam lines, water lines, etc.....	.069	.067
Farm: Salaries of all employees engaged in connection with farming operations, dairy, vegetable garden, repair of roads, park system, cemetery, etc., expenditures for all supplies, tools, and equipment used in connection therewith.....	.031	.027
Clothing: All expenditures for the purchase of cloth, shoes, hats, and all other articles and materials used in the fabrication and repair of clothing, and salaries of all officers and employees engaged in the manufacture, distribution, and repair of all articles of clothing.....	.025	.023
Total.....	1.00	1.00

TABLE G.—*Expended for personal services, fiscal year 1928*

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Repairs
Central Branch.....	\$80,370.60	\$59,393.59	\$51,718.93	\$320,470.83	\$45,119.13
Northwestern Branch.....	66,112.35	34,307.40	33,780.09	258,190.50	34,206.36
Eastern Branch.....	54,606.00	27,411.00	25,200.00	59,160.00	23,979.00
Southern Branch.....	62,556.82	46,985.54	30,639.30	137,606.89	25,675.63
Western Branch.....	67,466.00	43,548.00	29,820.00	128,414.00	31,629.00
Pacific Branch.....	74,584.00	63,450.00	38,300.00	338,910.00	43,450.00
Marion Branch.....	51,690.84	65,496.89	28,545.45	289,746.58	31,228.72
Danville Branch.....	65,562.97	43,662.92	32,757.65	94,082.26	35,457.66
Mountain Branch.....	54,162.39	46,370.39	30,115.34	201,534.72	36,717.17
Battle Mountain Sanitarium.....	41,153.50	3,964.54	9,214.68	102,698.46	13,475.83
Total.....	618,265.47	434,590.27	310,091.44	1,930,814.24	320,938.50

	Farm	Clothing	Salaries, etc.	Total
Central Branch.....	\$16,600.19	\$1,453.14	.....	\$575,126.41
Northwestern Branch.....	11,664.43	2,400.40	.....	440,661.53
Eastern Branch.....	18,161.00	1,757.50	.....	210,274.50
Southern Branch.....	10,517.04	2,368.75	.....	316,269.97
Western Branch.....	17,100.00	2,352.24	.....	320,329.24
Pacific Branch.....	24,061.00	2,271.50	.....	585,026.50
Marion Branch.....	12,262.28	1,620.30	.....	480,591.56
Danville Branch.....	11,637.09	2,358.67	.....	285,519.22
Mountain Branch.....	19,270.38	1,978.02	.....	390,148.41
Battle Mountain Sanitarium.....	3,778.53	1,081.28	.....	175,366.82
Total.....	145,051.94	19,662.30	.....	3,779,414.16
Expended by the general treasurer for personal services, General depot.....	.....	29,182.43	.....	29,182.43
Officers and employees headquarters office and managers clerks.....	.....	.....	\$42,095.58	42,095.58
Grand total.....	.....	.....	.....	3,850,692.17

TABLE H.—Consolidated statement of operations of pension fund of the several branches, year ending June 30, 1928

	Amount	Total
RECEIPTS		
Balance as per account rendered for year ending June 30, 1927.....		\$748, 478. 87
Amount received during the year ending June 30, 1928.....	\$5, 502, 956. 84	
Canceled checks.....	4, 244. 07	
Received direct from G. A. O.....	61. 00	
Transfer from branches.....	6, 960. 28	
Refund, account overpayments.....	187. 00	
Total.....		5, 514, 409. 19
EXPENDITURES		
Amount disbursed to pensioners.....	4, 727, 361. 30	
Amount disbursed to families.....	565, 612. 90	
Returned to Bureau of Pensions.....	2, 297. 00	
Transferred to post fund, act of July 1, 1902.....	244, 498. 70	
Transferred to branches.....	6, 039. 28	
Canceled vouchers.....	220. 00	
Balance June 30, 1928.....		5, 546, 029. 18
- Total.....		716, 858. 88
		6, 262, 888. 06

TABLE I.—Consolidated statement of operations of post fund of the several branches, fiscal year 1928

Receipts:	
Balance brought forward, July 1, 1927.....	\$92, 980. 42
Stores, sales, etc.....	125, 487. 19
Hotel and restaurant, sales, etc.....	94, 354. 98
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	9, 049. 03
Miscellaneous.....	6, 538. 52
Posthumous pension fund.....	244, 498. 70
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	59, 218. 49
From president Board of Managers.....	177, 850. 00
Overpayments.....	100. 87
Outstanding checks.....	150. 08
Total.....	810, 228. 28
Expenditures:	
Transferred to president Board of Managers.....	253, 824. 75
Store, merchandise, service, etc.....	96, 213. 77
Hotel and restaurant, merchandise, etc.....	85, 024. 40
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	121, 578. 43
Construction.....	2, 979. 02
Repairs.....	43, 160. 88
Miscellaneous.....	52, 640. 46
Posthumous pension fund.....	13, 166. 03
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	34, 437. 46
Balance June 30, 1928.....	107, 203. 08
Total.....	810, 228. 28

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

Year ending June 30, 1927:	
Cash.....	\$92, 980. 42
Store: Fixtures, \$6,818.14; stock, \$20,751.75.....	27, 569. 99
Hotel: Fixtures, \$19,004.68; stock, \$3,053.64.....	22, 058. 32
Amusement fixtures.....	200, 840. 16
Buildings.....	555, 689. 58
Miscellaneous.....	37, 194. 72
Total.....	936, 333. 19
Year ending June 30, 1928:	
Cash.....	107, 203. 08
Store: Fixtures, \$6,694.63; stock, \$17,103.92.....	23, 798. 55
Hotel: Fixtures, \$19,596.71; stock, \$3,657.84.....	23, 254. 55
Amusement fixtures.....	201, 063. 77
Buildings.....	555, 867. 66
Miscellaneous.....	36, 135. 89
Total.....	947, 323. 50

TABLE J.—Statement of lands and buildings

	Land		Buildings, cost
	Acres	Cost	
Central Branch.....	578.87	\$88,445.30	\$2,507,270.54
Northwestern Branch.....	382.25	79,544.54	2,018,667.73
Eastern Branch.....	1,884.00	23,900.00	812,800.09
Southern Branch.....	85.36	154,000.00	1,916,335.85
Western Branch.....	644.20	5,650.00	941,155.61
Pacific Branch.....	675.60		3,229,705.89
Marion Branch.....	299.03	34,262.75	1,598,899.39
Danville Branch.....	324.66	45,901.26	1,360,482.95
Mountain Branch.....	447.48	29,856.50	2,165,045.61
Battle Mountain Sanitarium.....	101.36	18,452.81	1,299,072.26
Total.....	5,422.61	479,573.16	17,849,444.92

TABLE K.—Statement of clothing manufactured at the general depot during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1927

	Number or quantity	Cost per garment			Value
		Material	Cutting, making, etc.	Total	
Coats, olive drab.....	6,613	\$3.46	\$1.60	\$5.06	\$33,461.78
Chevrans (pairs).....	175	.01	.05	.06	10.50
Gowns, ward.....	1,619	1.43	.75	2.18	3,529.42
Pajama suits.....	6	.90	.75	1.65	9.90
Shoulder straps.....	157	.05	.05	.10	15.70
Trousers, olive drab.....	14,557	2.18	.74	2.92	42,506.44
Vests, olive drab.....	6,129	.98	.73	1.71	10,480.59
Total.....	29,256				90,014.33

TABLE L.—Statement of clothing transferred by the general depot to the several branches of the National Home, fiscal year ending June 30, 1928

Article	Unit	Quantity	Article	Unit	Quantity
Bosoms and ties.....	Number	1,643	Shirts, chambray.....	Number	24,524
Chevrons, sergeant.....	Pairs	56	Shirts, cotton.....	do	833
Coats, olive drab.....	Number	8,172	Shirts, olive drab flannel.....	do	72
Coats, white.....	do	902	Shoes.....	Pairs	12,268
Convalescent suits.....	do	354	Shoulder straps, captain.....	do	72
Convalescent trousers.....	do	387	Slippers, burial.....	do	1,512
Drawers, heavy.....	do	8,623	Slippers, felt, hospital.....	do	244
Drawers, light.....	do	17,686	Slippers, hospital.....	do	348
Gowns, ward.....	do	2,238	Socks, cotton.....	do	77,955
Hats, felt.....	do	9,145	Suspenders.....	do	5,909
Jumpers, blue.....	do	532	Trousers, olive drab.....	Number	15,191
Overalls, blue.....	do	1,233	Trousers, white.....	do	1,210
Overcoats, olive drab.....	do	87	Undershirts, heavy.....	do	8,462
Pajama coats.....	do	8,604	Undershirts, light.....	do	16,227
Pajama trousers.....	do	9,973	Vests, olive drab.....	do	5,843
Shirts, burial.....	do	1,468			

TABLE M.—Statement of members present, cost of maintenance, and Federal aid paid to States under act of August 27, 1928, of the appropriation, June 30, 1928

States	Average present	Cost per capita	Federal aid paid
California.....	734	\$480.40	\$38,110.00
Colorado.....	84	404.17	10,060.00
Connecticut.....	144	870.86	17,260.00
Idaho.....	71	593.83	8,520.00
Illinois.....	368	450.88	44,063.33
Indiana.....	75	806.12	8,040.00
Iowa.....	213	380.12	25,630.00
Kansas.....	122	431.67	14,477.33
Massachusetts.....	355	712.18	42,540.00
Michigan.....	259	698.47	31,110.00
Minnesota.....	219	596.22	26,131.33
Missouri.....	55	502.65	6,570.00
Montana.....	48	426.17	6,660.00
Nebraska (Burkett).....	102	382.84	12,180.00
Nebraska (Milford).....	49	437.85	5,880.00
New Hampshire.....	27	1,003.70	3,270.00
New Jersey (Kearney).....	110	1,177.86	13,200.00
New Jersey (Vineland).....	64	609.76	7,710.00
New York (Bath).....	172	1,251.31	20,670.00
New York (Oxford).....	9	531.71	1,080.00
North Dakota.....	10	925.15	1,170.00
Ohio.....	507	399.00	154,797.68
Oklahoma.....	38	413.00	4,500.00
Oregon.....	97	483.41	11,610.00
Pennsylvania.....	172	534.50	20,640.00
Rhode Island.....	54	1,085.74	6,510.00
South Dakota.....	97	584.04	11,440.33
Vermont.....	31	922.98	3,690.00
Washington (Orting).....	153	515.11	18,330.00
Washington (Retsil).....	245	330.04	29,370.00
Wisconsin.....	113	447.30	13,560.00
Wyoming.....	12	1,593.05	1,380.00
Total.....	4,809	658.20	570,000.00

¹ Does not include \$4,930.32 deficiency.

TABLE N.—Summary of operations, Ward memorial fund, in the hands of the president Board of Managers

[This fund originated with the bequest in the will of Horatio Ward, of Virginia, who died in London, England, in 1837, of certain State bonds of face value \$100,000 and accumulated interest of \$11,155 at the time it was turned over to the board of managers in 1871. Some of these bonds of the State of Virginia, North Carolina, and Tennessee were compromised and refunded in 1901 and 1902 for \$30,908 less than their face value and were subsequently sold at a further loss. Expenditures from this fund and its increment have been made by the board of managers to erect chapels, amusement halls, and other objects to promote the comfort and welfare of the members of the several branches where no general appropriation was available. The following is a summary of the receipts and payments from 1871 to June 30, 1928]

Items	Receipts	Payments
Original bequest:		
Missouri bonds (par value).....	\$15,000.00	.....
North Carolina bonds (par value).....	25,000.00	.....
Tennessee bonds (par value).....	40,000.00	.....
Virginia bonds (par value).....	20,000.00	.....
Interest, etc.....	11,155.00	.....
	111,155.00	
Net loss, refunding and sale of above bonds.....		\$33,519.09
Transfer from "Butler settlement fund".....	54.88	
Interest, etc.....	92,282.14	
Payments.....		148,945.18
Balance.....		21,027.75
	203,492.02	203,492.02

DETAILED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS, YEAR 1928

Receipts	Amount	Payments	Amount
Balance July 1, 1927.....	\$22,327.35	Payments.....	
Interest, etc.....	1,500.74	Balance:	\$2,800.34
		Liberty loan bonds.....	\$16,000.00
		West Virginia bonds....	4,727.00
		Bank deposits.....	300.75
			21,027.75
Total.....	23,828.09	Total.....	23,828.09

TABLE O.—*Statement of receipts and payments, general post fund, active, in the hands of the president Board of Managers, year ending June 30, 1928*

Receipts:

Balance, July 1, 1927.....	\$389, 516. 78
Transferred to president from branches.....	382, 072. 68
Interest.....	22, 804. 72
Liberty loan bonds, deceased members.....	250. 00
Bequest, John Kwiatowski, deceased, Northwest Branch.....	1, 206. 00
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	795, 850. 18

Payments:

Expended per voucher.....	1, 706. 55
Transferred to branches.....	217, 383. 86
Accrued interest.....	2, 432. 90
Balance, June 30, 1927—	
Liberty loan bonds.....	\$150, 050. 00
United States notes.....	424, 500. 00
Bank deposits.....	223. 13
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	574, 326. 87
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	795, 850. 18

TABLE P.—*Statement of receipts and payments, general post fund, reserve, in the hands of the president, Board of managers, year ending June 30, 1928*

Receipts:

Balance, July 1, 1927.....	\$532, 250. 76
Interest.....	20, 028. 41
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Total.....	552, 279. 17

Payments:

Accrued interest.....	428. 56
Balance, June 30, 1928:	
United States notes.....	\$542, 000. 00
Bank deposits.....	9, 850. 61
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	551, 850. 61
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Total.....	552, 279. 17

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

AUGUST 28, 1928.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report for the year ending June 30, 1928, including the following statements and tables relative to membership of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, viz:

- (1) Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss from organization to June 30, 1928.
- (2) Consolidated post return for fiscal year ending June 30, 1928.
- (3) Average number present at branches since their establishment.
- (4) Statements of deaths and number of deaths per 1,000 of average present and absent, and whole number cared for.
- (5) Return of general headquarters office and general depot, and return of membership, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928.

Regular inspections of the several branches of the home have been made during the year and conditions reported. The officers of the branches have, in general, performed their duties well and with due regard to the comfort of the members and the interests of the home.

Respectfully yours,

B. K. CASH,
*Inspector General,
National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.*

Gen. GEORGE H. WOOD,
*President, Board of Managers,
National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.*

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1928

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain				Loss									
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers, by appoint- ment	Admission	Readmission	Total	Officers			Discharge	Summary discharge	Dishonorable dis- charge	Dropped from roll	Death	Transfer to Govern- ment Hospital for Insane	Total
											Resignation	Death	Dismissal							
June 30, 1900.....	2, 205	5, 855	208	19, 230	25, 009	29, 578	5	3, 750	1, 623	5, 378	1	1		1, 252		314	907	1, 472	88	4, 085
1901.....	2, 218	6, 307	159	20, 016	26, 255	31, 247	5	3, 981	1, 718	5, 704	4			1, 727		394	826	1, 752	98	4, 801
1902.....	2, 289	6, 427	162	20, 505	27, 086	31, 958	12	3, 760	1, 740	5, 512	6	3		2, 006		201	786	1, 679	66	4, 749
1903.....	2, 404	6, 935	144	20, 553	27, 463	32, 501	14	3, 542	1, 736	5, 292	4	2		2, 189		102	821	1, 863	111	5, 082
1904.....	2, 395	6, 943	153	20, 737	27, 661	33, 039	10	3, 737	1, 883	5, 630	2	1		2, 352		126	905	1, 931	111	5, 428
1905.....	2, 469	7, 062	148	21, 007	28, 142	34, 053	9	4, 255	2, 178	6, 442	3	4		2, 696		139	898	2, 159		5, 976
1906.....	2, 542	7, 303	222	21, 105	28, 630	34, 810	16	3, 969	2, 748	6, 733	11	2		2, 854		107	1, 021	2, 146		6, 141
1907.....	3, 873	7, 770	246	20, 715	28, 731	34, 533	7	3, 546	2, 311	5, 864	5	2		2, 957		115	1, 024	2, 331		6, 434
1908.....	4, 060	7, 565	285	19, 919	27, 769	34, 949	15	3, 936	2, 899	6, 850	10	3		4, 061		137	1, 140	2, 374		7, 747
1909.....	4, 413	7, 430	406	20, 276	27, 427	34, 932	55	4, 284	3, 394	7, 733	17	2	2	4, 248		181	1, 235	2, 430		8, 114
1910.....	4, 276	6, 677	268	19, 569	26, 514	34, 289	25	3, 785	3, 658	7, 468	15	3	1	4, 680		144	1, 281	2, 442		8, 565
1911.....	4, 885	6, 550	238	18, 875	25, 663	33, 301	24	3, 579	3, 974	7, 577	20	1		4, 563		181	1, 155	2, 446		8, 408
1912.....	4, 910	6, 014	270	18, 871	25, 155	32, 800	30	3, 686	4, 191	7, 907	23	3	1	5, 032		142	1, 119	2, 511		8, 831
1913.....	4, 501	5, 687	319	17, 461	23, 467	30, 664	25	2, 633	4, 037	6, 695	22		2	4, 845		11	1, 240	2, 520		8, 640
1914.....	4, 491	5, 111	266	16, 605	21, 982	30, 065	30	3, 173	4, 838	8, 041	27	1	2	5, 139		7	1, 242	2, 365		8, 783
1915.....	4, 850	4, 687	258	16, 892	21, 837	30, 446	34	3, 713	5, 417	9, 164	32		3	5, 332		3	1, 306	2, 398		9, 074
1916.....	5, 116	4, 679	278	16, 816	21, 773	30, 741	32	3, 488	5, 849	9, 369	29	2		6, 073		3	1, 196	2, 583		9, 888
1917.....	5, 089	4, 603	255	16, 399	21, 257	30, 217	19	3, 342	6, 003	9, 364	23	3		6, 296		7	1, 055	2, 463		9, 847
1918.....	5, 217	4, 664	167	15, 452	20, 283	28, 186	56	2, 726	5, 034	7, 816	56	2		6, 260		3	792	2, 352		9, 465
1919.....	5, 175	4, 575	170	13, 010	17, 755	25, 034	30	1, 881	4, 402	6, 313	31	4		4, 714		2	632	2, 152		7, 535
1920.....	4, 919	4, 844	165	12, 285	17, 294	23, 477		2, 511	3, 467	5, 978	103			3, 935		3	519	2, 255		6, 815
1921.....	5, 323	4, 795	180	11, 958	16, 933	29, 815		6, 017	3, 990	10, 007				6, 658		2	844	1, 760		9, 264
1922.....	6, 039	4, 607	203	13, 047	18, 110	30, 783	65	7, 305	4, 290	11, 595	30		1	7, 490		2	2, 004	1, 992		11, 488
1923.....	6, 219	4, 857	217	12, 504	17, 482	29, 274	42	5, 982	4, 205	10, 187	37			6, 450			1, 807	1, 955		10, 212
1924.....	7, 133	3, 965	315	12, 863	17, 115	30, 869	47	6, 882	4, 552	11, 434	36	1		8, 247		2	2, 361	1, 863		12, 493
1925.....	6, 829	3, 441	334	13, 418	17, 193	31, 332	32	7, 199	5, 624	12, 823	24	1	1	8, 224			2, 544	1, 849		12, 617
1926.....	6, 749	3, 887	354	12, 855	17, 096	36, 139	39	9, 023	7, 829	16, 852	39		2	9, 369			5, 960	1, 946		17, 295
1927.....	6, 632	3, 904	485	13, 492	17, 881	41, 081	45	11, 795	10, 319	22, 114	31	3	6	12, 195		11	7, 398	1, 013		21, 517
1928.....	6, 892	4, 736	621	15, 142	20, 499	44, 868	43	13, 132	11, 823	24, 955	41	1		12, 786		3	7, 731	1, 905		22, 425
Total.....							888	214, 870	148, 696	364, 141	735	58	26	188, 877	562	5, 299	66, 208	80, 599	2, 253	344, 823

Consolidated post return for year ending June 30, 1928

Branches	Average sick in hospital and quarters including T. A. P.	Total present	Total absent	Total present and absent	Temporarily at post	Gain	Loss	Deaths			Service		Mexican border and German war		Members on extra duty with pay	Civilian employees
								Civil War	Spanish-American War	German war	Civil War	Spanish war and other service	In barracks	In hospital		
Central..	1,045	2,775	866	3,641	202	6,509	5,842	131	62	131	518	1,429	1,167	527	368	383
North-western.....	658	1,336	564	1,900	88	3,692	3,598	67	41	120	232	590	501	481	235	332
Eastern.....	264	705	307	1,012	20	953	818	43	12	7	138	463	326	85	190	143
Southern.....	665	1,613	438	2,051	43	2,135	1,850	125	71	21	288	1,050	453	260	157	272
Western.....	586	1,775	865	2,640	83	2,987	2,562	117	42	33	624	957	807	252	215	238
Pacific.....	1,411	2,913	1,063	3,976	187	3,948	3,624	243	107	124	843	1,614	1,095	424	337	461
Marion.....	1,013	1,005	12	1,017	7	224	250	1	10	46	0	63	0	0	0	492
Danville.....	404	1,619	678	2,297	71	3,235	2,938	104	53	24	359	1,103	705	130	253	160
Mountain.....	501	1,035	244	1,279	82	2,476	2,039	14	20	72	59	451	377	392	47	400
Sanitarium.....	345	366	320	686	41	948	968	27	13	24	100	235	171	180	75	120
Total.....	6,892	15,142	5,357	20,499	824	27,107	24,489	872	431	602	3,161	7,961	5,692	3,685	1,883	3,001

Branches	Tuberculous members		Actual number of beds in barracks	Vacant beds in barracks	Number of beds for general patients		Number of beds for tuberculous patients	Vacant beds for tuberculous patients	Including average T. A. P.			June 30, 1927, including average T. A. P.		
	present	absent			general patients	vacant beds for general patients			Average present	Average present and absent	Average number subsisted	Average present	Average present and absent	Average number subsisted
Central.....	177	24	2,210	177	646	79	250	67	2,691	3,374	3,074	2,359	2,924	2,730
Northwestern.....	166	10	958	177	430	34	508	332	1,412	1,906	1,723	1,368	1,706	1,711
Eastern.....	8	1	948	534	318	177	23	15	703	950	803	652	869	747
Southern.....	0	0	1,276	268	662	115	0	0	1,625	1,967	1,859	1,432	1,789	1,650
Western.....	60	8	1,531	145	312	54	83	23	1,782	2,444	2,022	1,573	2,143	1,820
Pacific.....	239	7	2,100	175	565	53	281	42	2,950	3,862	3,403	2,948	3,852	3,343
Marion.....	57	0	0	0	1,012	87	80	23	1,013	1,027	1,474	1,037	1,054	1,483
Danville.....	2	0	1,958	535	263	38	0	0	1,583	2,114	1,740	1,457	1,915	1,612
Mountain.....	304	19	880	328	262	67	511	188	999	1,205	1,414	631	693	1,058
Sanitarium.....	47	19	0	0	387	75	157	107	436	699	541	419	646	504
Total.....	1,060	88	11,861	2,339	4,857	779	1,893	797	15,104	19,548	18,053	13,876	17,651	16,664

1 Number patient beds, 380; vacant, 41.

2 Neuropsychiatric and tubercular.

3 Neuropsychiatric.

Remarks: Gain during fiscal year: By admission 13,132; by readmission, 11,823.

Average number of subsisted includes: Averages of number present, of number of men temporarily at post and of civilian employees regularly subsisted.

I certify that the above return is correct.

B. K. CASH,
Inspector General.

Average present at branches since their establishment

Year	Staff	Central	North-western	Eastern	Southern	Western	Pacific	Marion	Danville	Mountain	Battle Mountain	Total
1867		261	69	149								479
1868		702	111	76								889
1869		837	165	307								1,309
1870		935	369	381								1,685
1871		1,122	459	380	130							2,091
1872		1,271	428	371	266							2,336
1873		1,443	400	414	317							2,574
1874		1,883	482	551	420							3,266
1875		2,130	508	575	472							3,685
1876		2,511	554	599	506							4,170
1877		2,819	678	703	551							4,751
1878		3,172	691	836	623							5,322
1879		3,386	717	901	673							5,677
1880		3,399	691	840	673							5,603
1881		3,595	731	795	701							5,822
1882		3,624	729	939	789							6,061
1883		3,946	848	991	953							6,738
1884		3,859	1,016	1,098	1,521							7,494
1885		4,192	1,256	1,262	1,408							8,118
1886		4,249	1,357	1,312	1,600	240						8,758
1887	1	4,284	1,388	1,385	1,721	939						9,718
1888	2	4,267	1,564	1,462	2,013	1,731	2					10,681
1889	3	4,509	1,668	1,528	2,306	1,641	72					11,727
1890	3	4,666	1,882	1,596	2,466	1,868	398	56				12,935
1891	3	4,683	1,955	1,607	2,604	2,004	557	518				13,931
1892	3	4,548	1,976	1,533	2,670	2,044	652	770				14,196
1893	3	4,534	2,012	1,606	1,729	2,039	818	920				14,661
1894	3	4,699	2,089	1,687	2,871	2,188	1,000	1,064				15,601
1895	3	4,767	2,230	1,777	3,000	2,261	1,233	1,209				16,480
1896	3	4,982	2,313	1,855	3,131	2,340	1,408	1,422				17,454
1897	3	5,034	2,365	1,951	3,326	2,374	1,557	1,563				18,173
1898	3	4,972	2,364	2,042	3,378	2,480	1,602	1,717				18,556
1899	3	4,984	2,282	2,130	3,408	2,550	1,577	1,777	103			18,814
1900	4	4,854	2,113	2,158	3,316	2,488	1,693	1,782	822			19,230
1901	5	4,773	2,192	2,192	3,390	2,515	1,732	1,769	1,448			20,016
1902	4	4,712	2,146	2,188	3,135	2,618	1,832	1,796	2,074			20,505
1903	5	4,729	2,175	2,170	2,773	2,686	1,899	1,760	2,365	1		20,553
1904	5	4,658	2,181	2,187	2,670	2,773	1,975	1,714	2,457	117		20,737
1905	5	4,569	2,107	2,065	2,616	2,793	2,145	1,682	2,417	698		21,097
1906	5	4,512	2,053	1,980	2,576	2,708	2,052	1,804	2,369	1,046		21,105
1907	5	4,382	1,967	1,947	2,476	2,581	2,131	1,713	2,404	1,073	36	20,715
1908	5	4,163	1,857	1,798	2,261	2,333	2,215	1,601	2,263	1,295	138	19,919
1909	5	4,078	1,832	1,835	2,340	2,341	2,273	1,631	2,296	1,409	236	20,276
1910	5	3,704	1,746	1,737	2,265	2,319	2,271	1,565	2,244	1,446	267	19,569
1911	4	3,377	1,730	1,647	2,124	2,348	2,148	1,588	2,178	1,460	271	18,875
1912	4	3,358	1,721	1,479	2,036	2,402	2,262	1,623	2,152	1,482	352	18,871
1913	4	3,264	1,573	1,289	1,878	2,193	2,289	1,438	2,017	1,209	307	17,461
1914	4	3,023	1,498	1,232	1,726	2,141	2,361	1,233	1,902	1,168	326	16,605
1915	4	2,948	1,536	1,220	1,762	2,205	2,482	1,235	1,968	1,171	341	16,892
1916	4	2,883	1,438	1,203	1,896	2,192	2,517	1,279	1,911	1,127	366	16,816
1917	4	2,831	1,366	1,092	1,743	2,154	2,613	1,304	1,814	1,113	365	16,399
1918	3	2,640	1,224	1,003	1,643	2,021	2,634	1,231	1,641	1,053	359	15,425
1919	3	2,526	1,095	897	1,315	1,737	2,341	1,058	1,418	1,191	301	13,010
1920	3	2,356	949	845	648	1,754	2,326	1,016	1,279	1,293	305	12,285
1921	4	2,109	934	740	1,473	1,651	2,357	405	1,409	546	334	11,958
1922	4	2,346	1,036	726	1,563	1,609	2,629	542	1,539	683	374	13,047
1923	4	2,122	1,067	609	1,540	1,398	2,656	705	1,388	668	351	12,504
1924	4	2,323	1,295	582	1,584	1,452	3,026	947	1,437	709	420	13,775
1925	4	2,397	1,470	641	1,501	1,489	3,074	1,043	1,488	836	424	14,363
1926	4	2,387	1,364	668	1,359	1,585	3,003	1,040	1,463	568	385	13,822
1927	4	2,359	1,368	652	1,432	1,573	2,948	1,037	1,457	631	419	13,876
1928	4	2,691	1,412	703	1,625	1,782	2,950	1,013	1,583	999	436	15,194

¹ Average of Southern Branch for 4 months and 7 days.

Deaths and number of deaths per 1,000 to average number present and absent, and whole number cared for, from organization to June 30, 1928

Date	Average present and absent	Whole number cared for	Deaths	Number of deaths per 1,000 of average number present and absent	Number of deaths per 1,000 of whole number cared for
Period ending Dec. 31, 1867.....	548	910	6	10.95	6.55
Year ending Dec. 31, 1868.....	1,080	1,768	45	42.45	25.45
11 months ending Nov. 30, 1869.....	1,667	2,960	70	41.99	27.34
Year ending Nov. 30—					
1870.....	2,255	3,135	113	50.11	36.04
1871.....	2,806	3,934	145	51.67	36.86
1872.....	3,054	4,470	190	62.21	42.51
1873.....	3,341	4,769	176	56.28	36.90
1874.....	4,222	5,677	218	51.63	38.40
1875.....	4,522	6,280	242	53.52	38.54
13 months ending Dec. 31, 1876.....	5,138	6,905	289	56.25	41.85
Year ending Dec. 31—					
1877.....	5,774	7,772	285	49.36	36.67
1878.....	6,457	8,490	320	49.56	37.74
6 months ending June 30, 1879.....	6,840	7,659	208	30.41	27.16
Year ending June 30—					
1880.....	6,921	8,851	357	51.58	40.33
1881.....	7,351	9,021	422	57.41	46.78
1882.....	7,819	9,818	490	62.67	49.91
1883.....	8,480	11,110	485	57.19	43.65
1884.....	8,756	11,228	459	52.42	40.88
1885.....	10,062	12,130	526	52.28	43.36
1886.....	10,917	12,946	572	52.39	44.18
1887.....	12,168	14,608	659	54.16	45.11
1888.....	13,552	15,899	716	52.38	45.03
1889.....	14,889	18,108	793	53.19	43.79
1890.....	16,383	19,372	847	51.70	43.72
1891.....	17,528	21,157	1,026	58.53	48.49
1892.....	18,095	23,008	1,060	58.58	46.07
1893.....	18,531	23,460	1,030	55.58	43.90
1894.....	19,238	23,615	1,050	54.58	44.46
1895.....	20,210	24,603	1,060	52.45	43.08
1896.....	21,687	26,512	1,171	53.99	44.17
1897.....	22,684	26,705	1,165	51.36	43.62
1898.....	23,349	27,332	1,189	50.92	43.50
1899.....	24,085	28,242	1,379	57.23	48.82
1900.....	25,000	29,578	1,473	58.89	49.80
1901.....	26,255	31,247	1,752	66.73	57.07
1902.....	27,086	31,958	1,682	62.10	52.63
1903.....	27,463	32,501	1,865	67.91	57.38
1904.....	27,661	33,089	1,932	69.85	58.48
1905.....	28,142	34,053	2,163	76.86	63.51
1906.....	28,630	34,910	2,148	75.03	61.71
1907.....	28,731	34,533	2,333	81.20	67.56
1908.....	27,769	34,949	2,377	85.60	68.01
1909.....	27,427	34,932	2,432	88.67	69.62
1910.....	26,514	34,299	2,445	92.22	71.31
1911.....	25,663	33,301	2,489	95.04	74.74
1912.....	25,115	32,800	2,514	100.10	76.65
1913.....	23,467	30,664	2,520	107.38	82.18
1914.....	21,982	30,065	2,366	107.63	78.69
1915.....	21,837	30,446	2,398	109.81	78.76
1916.....	21,773	30,741	2,585	118.72	84.09
1917.....	21,257	30,217	2,466	116.01	81.61
1918.....	20,263	28,186	2,354	116.06	83.52
1919.....	17,765	25,034	2,156	121.43	86.12
1920.....	17,294	23,477	2,255	130.39	96.05
1921.....	16,933	29,815	1,760	103.94	59.03
1922.....	18,110	30,783	1,992	109.99	64.71
1923.....	17,482	29,274	1,955	114.12	66.78
1924.....	17,115	30,869	1,863	108.85	60.35
1925.....	17,193	31,332	1,849	107.54	59.01
1926.....	17,667	36,139	1,946	110.15	53.85
1927.....	17,651	41,081	1,913	108.38	46.57
1928.....	19,548	44,988	1,905	97.45	42.34

Return of general headquarters office and general depot for the year ending June 30, 1928

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS

Present for duty:

General treasurer.....	1
Chief surgeon.....	1
Inspector general.....	1
Assistant general treasurer.....	1
Clerks.....	11

GENERAL DEPOT

Present for duty:

Superintendent.....	1
Employees.....	8

Return of membership for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928

WHAT WAR

Civil.....	5, 249
Spanish.....	15, 619
World War.....	24, 120
Total (transfers between branches included).....	<u>44, 988</u>

DEPARTMENT OF SERVICE

Army.....	42, 853
Navy.....	2, 135
Total (transfers between branches included).....	<u>44, 988</u>

Whole number cared for from organization to June 30, 1928, 440,362.

REPORT OF INSPECTION OF STATE SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOMES FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

HEADQUARTERS, NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS,

August 28, 1928.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith summaries of the reports of inspection of the 32 State homes for disabled volunteer soldiers and sailors which have received the Government aid as provided by law.

All of the State homes have been inspected during the year, their returns verified, and the eligibility of members ascertained by the inspector general of the national home.

The majority of the State homes are well managed and have comfortable buildings, adequately lighted and heated. Hospital facilities are provided, and the general comfort and welfare of members reasonably looked after.

The population of the homes during the period covered by this report is shown in the following table, viz:

Comparative statement of average present, average present and absent, whole number cared for, and average cost per capita of the State soldiers' homes, year ending June 30, 1927, and June 30, 1928

Average present during year ending June 30:

1928.....	4, 806
1927.....	4, 797
Increase.....	9

Average present and absent:

1928.....	6, 501
1927.....	6, 543
Decrease.....	42

Whole number cared for:

1928.....	11, 140
1927.....	10, 863
Increase.....	277

Average cost per capita:

1928.....	\$658. 20
1927.....	663. 41
Decrease.....	5. 21

In the above comparative statement women are not included. Twenty of the homes maintain women, and on June 30, 1928, there were on the rolls 3,546, of whom 2,399 were present.

Following are reports of the inspections of the several State homes.

B. K. CASH,

Inspector General,

National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

Gen. GEORGE H. WOOD,

President Board of Managers,

National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

VETERANS' HOME IN NAPA COUNTY, CALIF.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	734
1927.....	623
Increase.....	111

Average present and absent:

1928.....	1, 184
1927.....	989
Increase.....	195

Cost per capita, \$480.40.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on November 9, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	713
Absent.....	428

Aggregate present and absent..... 1, 141

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings well filled to capacity; in fair condition; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided for members. Food is ample, wholesome, well prepared and served.

Medical care.—A surgeon, assistant surgeon, graduate nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Equipment meager. Personnel adequate. Buildings are not fireproof. New hospital and new barracks are needed.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME AT HOMELAKE, COLO.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928 84

1927 77

Increase 7

Average present and absent:

1928 102

1927 125

Decrease 23

Cost per capita, \$494.17.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on November 21, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present 86

Absent 16

Aggregate present and absent 102

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Wives and widows of soldiers and sailors are admitted and cared for, provided they are over 50 years old. At time of inspection there were 44 present and 8 absent; total, 52.

Collections.—No collections are made from the members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Capacity ample, good condition of repair, sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing to a total of \$35 per year is furnished members. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, graduate nurse, and attendants care for the sick. Equipment and personnel will be ample when moved into the new hospital, which was completed at the time of inspection but not equipped.

FITCH'S HOME FOR SOLDIERS AT NOROTON HEIGHTS, CONN.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928 144

1927 137

Increase 7

Average present and absent:

1928 209

1927 202

Increase 7

Cost per capita, \$870.86.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 23, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	149
Absent.....	78

Aggregate present and absent.....	227
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from the members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings are in good condition; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided for members. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in the village; makes several daily and special calls. Graduate nurses and attendants care for the sick. Personnel adequate; equipment meager.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT BOISE, IDAHO

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	71
1927.....	75

Decrease.....	4
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	85
1927.....	89

Decrease.....	4
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Cost per capita, \$583.83.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on November 6, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	65
Absent.....	18

Aggregate present and absent.....	83
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from the members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in fair condition of repair; sanitation fair. Grounds in fair condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided for members. Food wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in city; makes weekly and special calls. Sick are in charge of practical attendants. Equipment and personnel very meager.

Remarks.—Fire protection for buildings not adequate. No organized hospital for proper care of members.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME AT QUINCY, ILL.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	368
1927.....	386

Decrease.....	18
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	469
1927.....	505

Decrease.....	36
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Cost per capita, \$450.88.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on May 3, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	356
Absent.....	118

Aggregate present and absent.....	474
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible, except one who was ordered dropped.

Women.—Wives and widows of Civil, Spanish-American, and World War members are provided for. At date of inspection there were 241 present, 128 absent; total, 369.

Collections.—No collections are made from the members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation fair. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Comfortable. Civilian clothes up to \$50 are furnished. Food wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, assistant surgeon, graduate nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Equipment meager and personnel adequate.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT LAFAYETTE, IND.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	75
1927.....	85

Decrease.....	10
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	93
1927.....	112

Decrease.....	19
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Cost per capita, \$806.41.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on February 20, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	83
Absent.....	11

Aggregate present and absent.....	94
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 327 present, 43 absent; total, 370.

Collections.—Members—men and women—are required to pay 30 to 40 per cent of pension received, depending upon the amount of pension.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good repair; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Comfortable. Clothing furnished, if requested. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, assistant surgeon, nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Hospital equipment and personnel adequate.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA

Average present during year ended June 30:	
1928	213
1927	241

Decrease 28

Average present and absent:	
1928	280
1927	327

Decrease 47

Cost per capita, \$380.12.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on May 2, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present	201
Absent	69

Aggregate present and absent 270

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 240 present, 67 absent; total, 307.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in fair condition; sanitation fair. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is furnished. Food wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, assistant surgeon, graduate nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Equipment and personnel meager.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT FORT DODGE, KANS.

Average present during year ended June 30:	
1928	122
1927	113

Increase 9

Average present and absent:	
1928	152
1927	135

Increase 17

Cost per capita, \$431.67.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on November 23, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present	133
Absent	20

Aggregate present and absent 153

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible except one member, and necessary deduction was made from Federal aid payments.

Women.—Wives, widows, children, and dependents of Civil and Spanish-American War veterans are admitted. At date of inspection there were 248 present, 38 absent; total, 286.

Collections.—No collections are made from the members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Two good brick buildings; balance of buildings frame and frame cottages in poor repair; sanitation bad. Grounds poor and in bad condition.

Care of members.—Clothing is furnished. The living conditions are not good.

Medical care.—Surgeon, practical nurses, and attendants care for the sick. No modern hospital; new hospital under construction; two different buildings used to house the sick. Buildings, equipment, and service inadequate; sanitation bad. This home needs improvement.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT CHELSEA, MASS.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	355
1927.....	330

Increase..... 25

Average present and absent:

1928.....	475
1927.....	449

Increase..... 26

Cost per capita, \$712.18.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 13, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	326
Absent.....	146

Aggregate present and absent..... 472

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from the members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in fair condition of repair. Sanitation good. Hospital in excellent condition. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, assistant surgeon, graduate nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Hospital building very good and strictly up to date; equipment and personnel very good.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	259
1927.....	281

Decrease..... 22

Average present and absent:

1928.....	340
1927.....	360

Decrease..... 20

Cost per capita, \$698.47.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on April 23, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	267
Absent.....	76

Aggregate present and absent..... 343

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible except one member, who was dropped.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 212 present, 51 absent; total, 263.

Collections.—No collections are made from the members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in fair repair; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is furnished. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, assistant surgeons, graduate nurses, and orderlies care for the sick. Equipment and personnel are adequate.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	219
1927.....	203

Increase.....	16
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	272
1927.....	253

Increase.....	19
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Cost per capita, \$596.22.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on May 1, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	227
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Absent.....	52
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Aggregate present and absent.....	279
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible except two, who were ordered dropped and necessary deductions made.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 136 present, 21 absent; total, 157.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation good. Grounds well kept.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is furnished. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, assistant surgeon, nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Hospital and equipment old and meager; personnel adequate.

FEDERAL SOLDIERS' HOME AT ST. JAMES, MO.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	55
1927.....	63

Decrease.....	8
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	87
1927.....	95

Decrease.....	8
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Cost per capita, \$502.65.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on May 4, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	58
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Absent.....	26
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Aggregate present and absent.....	84
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Wives and widows over 50 years of age of all war veterans are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 77 present, 31 absent; total, 108.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation good. Grounds well kept.

Care of members.—Uniforms are furnished members. Food appeared ample, wholesome, well cooked and served.

Medical care.—Surgeon and assistant surgeon reside in the village; make daily and special calls. Practical nurses and attendants care for the sick. Hospital equipment and personnel meager.

SOLDIERS HOME AT COLUMBIA FALLS, MONT.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	48
1927.....	51

Decrease.....	3
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	58
1927.....	66

Decrease.....	8
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Cost per capita, \$426.17.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on November 1, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	49
Absent.....	7

Aggregate present and absent.....	56
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible, except more men reported present than were present. This condition was corrected and the necessary deductions made in Federal aid payments.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 32 present, 10 absent; total, 42.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition and sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is not furnished. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Hospital in good condition; in charge of hospital steward. Surgeon resides in village; makes two trips each week, and also on call. Equipment meager.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS' HOME AT BURKETT, NEBR.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	102
1927.....	117

Decrease.....	15
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	151
1927.....	174

Decrease.....	23
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Cost per capita, \$382.84.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on October 11, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	112
Absent.....	49

Aggregate present and absent.....	161
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 170 present; 102 absent; total, 272.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in poor condition; sanitation fair. Grounds in fair condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, practical nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Hospital a good structure; equipment and personnel fair.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME AT MILFORD, NEBR.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	49
1927.....	54

Decrease.....	5
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	67
1927.....	74

Decrease.....	7
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Cost per capita, \$437.85.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on October 17, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	44
Absent.....	19

Aggregate present and absent.....	63
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 71 present, 37 absent; total, 108.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation fair. Grounds in fair condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food appeared wholesome and well prepared.

Medical care.—Surgeon lives in village; makes daily and special calls; practical nurses on duty. Hospital equipment and personnel adequate.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT TILTON, N. H.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	27
1927.....	27

Average present and absent:

1928.....	35
1927.....	36

Decrease.....	1
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Cost per capita, \$1,003.70.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 14, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	22
Absent.....	15

Aggregate present and absent.....	37
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in very good condition; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided if requested. Food ample, wholesome, and well prepared.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in village; makes three visits weekly and special calls. Attendants in charge of hospital. Equipment and personnel meager.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT KEARNY, N. J.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928	110
1927	144

Decrease	34
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Average present and absent:

1928	124
1927	157

Decrease	33
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Cost per capita, \$1,177.86.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 25, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present	105
Absent	5

Aggregate present and absent	110
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in fair condition only; sanitation fair. Grounds in fair condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food appeared ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in the city and makes two daily and special calls. Trained nurses and attendants care for the sick. Equipment meager; personnel meager.

HOME FOR SOLDIERS, SAILORS, MARINES, AND THEIR WIVES AT VINELAND, N. J.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928	64
1927	66

Decrease	2
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Average present and absent:

1928	75
1927	75

Cost per capita, \$609.76.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 26, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present	62
Absent	17

Aggregate present and absent	79
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 116 present, 22 absent; total, 138.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Clothing is provided. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in village; makes daily and special calls. Graduate nurse in charge of hospital; female practical nurses. Equipment and personnel meager.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS' HOME AT BATH, N. Y.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	172
1927.....	203
Decrease.....	31

Average present and absent:

1928.....	188
1927.....	223
Decrease.....	35

Cost per capita, \$1,251.31.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 11, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	147
Absent.....	17
Aggregate present and absent.....	164

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in fair repair; sanitation good. Grounds in fair condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food appeared wholesome and ample.

Medical care.—Surgeon, assistant surgeon, graduate nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Equipment and personnel adequate.

WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS HOME AT OXFORD, N. Y.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	9
1927.....	8
Increase.....	1

Average present and absent:

1928.....	9
1927.....	9

Cost per capita, \$531.71.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 11, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	8
Absent.....	1
Aggregate present and absent.....	9

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 161 present, 18 absent; total, 179.

Collections.—No collections are made from members, except for personal entertainment fund.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition, clean and sanitary. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food wholesome, well prepared and served.

Medical care.—Resident physician, nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Hospital, equipment and personnel meager.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT LISBON, N. DAK.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	10
1927.....	8
Increase.....	2

Average present and absent:

1928.....	13
1927.....	11
Increase.....	2

Cost per capita, \$925.15.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on April 30, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	11
Absent.....	4
Aggregate present and absent.....	15

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 12 present, 4 absent; total, 16.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation very good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Comfortable; no clothing furnished. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon lives in village; makes daily and special calls. Practical nurses care for the sick. No special hospital.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS' HOME AT SANDUSKY, OHIO

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	507
1927.....	515
Decrease.....	8

Average present and absent:

1928.....	636
1927.....	640
Decrease.....	4

Cost per capita, \$399.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 8, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	462
Absent.....	149
Aggregate, present and absent.....	611

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible, except certain members who were ordered dropped; also found that their reports for Federal-aid payments showed more members present than were being actually maintained. This matter was adjusted and the necessary deductions made in Federal-aid payments.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in fair condition; sanitation fair. Grounds in very good condition.

Care of members.—Comfortable. Uniform clothing is provided. Food wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, assistant surgeon, graduate nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Personnel and equipment fair.

UNION SOLDIERS' HOME AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	38
1927.....	37

Increase.....	1
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	46
1927.....	47

Decrease.....	1
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Cost per capita, \$413.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on May 5, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	45
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Absent.....	4
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Aggregate, present and absent.....	49
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At time of inspection there were 38 present, 5 absent; total, 43.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation fair. Grounds in excellent condition.

Care of members.—Comfortable. Clothing not furnished. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in city; makes three calls weekly and special calls. Graduate nurse and attendants care for the sick. Equipment and personnel meager. No active hospitalization.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT ROSEBURG, OREG.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	97
1927.....	90

Increase.....	7
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	118
1927.....	119

Decrease.....	1
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Cost per capita, \$483.41.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on November 7, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	108
Absent	14
Aggregate, present and absent.....	122

Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for when accompanied by their husbands. At date of inspection there were 8 present, 1 absent; total, 9.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings are in good state of repair; sanitation very good. Grounds in excellent condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon lives in village; makes three calls per week, also special calls. Hospital small but modern, clean, and well operated. Two graduate nurses, attendants, and orderlies care for the sick.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS' HOME AT ERIE, PA.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	172
1927.....	149

Increase.....	23
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	208
1927.....	177

Increase.....	31
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Cost per capita, \$534.50.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 9, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	146
Absent.....	71

Aggregate present and absent.....	217
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good state of repair; sanitation very good. Grounds in very good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in city; makes two daily calls, inspections, and special calls. Graduate nurse in charge of hospital; assistant nurses and orderlies care for the sick. Equipment meager and personnel adequate. Improvements noted over previous inspections.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT BRISTOL, R. I.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	54
1927.....	54

Average present and absent:

1928.....	91
1927.....	92

Decrease.....	1
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Cost per capita, \$1,085.74.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 23, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	47
Absent.....	45

Aggregate present and absent.....	92
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation very good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is not provided. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in village and makes daily and special calls. Male nurses and orderlies care for the sick. Equipment and personnel adequate.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT HOT SPRINGS, S. DAK.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	97
1927.....	96

Increase.....	1
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	118
1927.....	135

Decrease.....	17
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Cost per capita, \$584.04.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on October 22, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	98
Absent.....	21

Aggregate present and absent.....	119
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Wives and widows of Civil and Spanish War veterans over 60 years of age are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 74 present, 26 absent; total, 100.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings ample and in good condition; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in town; makes daily and special calls. Graduate nurses and attendants care for the sick. Equipment and personnel adequate.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT BENNINGTON, VT.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	31
1927.....	32

Decrease.....	1
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	35
1927.....	36

Decrease.....	1
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Cost per capita, \$922.98.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on June 12, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	23
Absent.....	9

Aggregate present and absent.....	32
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in village and makes special calls when required. Male nurse in charge of the hospital; no hospital equipment.

SOLDIERS' HOME AT ORTING, WASH.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	153
1927.....	138

Increase.....	15
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	215
1927.....	208

Increase.....	7
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Cost per capita, \$515.11.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on November 3, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	165
Absent.....	56

Aggregate present and absent.....	221
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are not admitted.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Condition of old buildings not good; new buildings satisfactory; sanitation good. Grounds in fair condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided up to \$16 per year. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon resides in colony; takes care of colony of veterans and makes daily and special visits to hospital; registered nurse in charge. Equipment and personnel adequate.

VETERANS' HOME AT RETSIL, WASH.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	245
1927.....	256

Decrease.....	11
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Average present and absent:

1928.....	434
1927.....	472

Decrease.....	38
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Cost per capita, \$330.04.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on November 2, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	275
Absent.....	165

Aggregate present and absent.....	440
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 204 present, 235 absent; total, 439.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good condition; sanitation good. Grounds in excellent condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided up to \$25 per year. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Resident surgeon, graduate nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Equipment and personnel meager.

VETERANS' HOME IN WAUPACA COUNTY, WIS.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	113
1927.....	127

Decrease.....	14
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Average present and absent: —

1928.....	121
1927.....	136

Decrease.....	15
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Cost per capita, \$447.30.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on April 28, 1928, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	110
Absent.....	4

Aggregate present and absent.....	114
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Women are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were 279 present, 20 absent; total, 299.

Collections.—Twenty per cent of pensions is collected from each pensioner; both men and women.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in good repair; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—Uniform clothing is provided. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—Surgeon, assistant surgeon, trained nurses, and attendants care for the sick. Hospital old; new one to be built. Personnel adequate.

SOLDIERS AND SAILORS' HOME AT BUFFALO, WYO.

Average present during year ended June 30:

1928.....	12
1927.....	14

Decrease.....	2
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Average present and absent: —

1928.....	14
1927.....	17

Decrease.....	3
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Cost per capita, \$1,593.05.

The home was last inspected by Col. B. K. Cash, inspector general, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, on April 30, 1927, and the muster on that date showed:

Total number of members present.....	12
Absent.....	1

Aggregate present and absent.....	13
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Eligibility of members.—All apparently eligible.

Women.—Wives and widows of Civil and Spanish-American War veterans are admitted and cared for. At date of inspection there were eight present, none absent.

Collections.—No collections are made from members for the support of the home.

Buildings and grounds.—Buildings in fair condition of repair; sanitation good. Grounds in good condition.

Care of members.—All clothing is furnished. Food ample and wholesome.

Medical care.—No special hospital or equipment. One practical nurse employed to care for the sick. Members have the privilege of calling any physician they desire and the State pays the bills.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SURGEON

HEADQUARTERS NATIONAL HOME FOR
DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS,
November 21, 1928.

SIR: The following report is herewith submitted relative to the medical and surgical activities, National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928.

The program of hospitalization which has been worked out in the national home has been continued with very gratifying results. The number of patients applying for general medical and surgical treatment at the various general hospitals has increased somewhat during the last fiscal year. The number of tuberculous patients has slightly decreased, but as was noted in last annual report there has been a positive and definite increase in the number of terminal cases. The number of patients applying at the various branches for care and treatment who are suffering from psychosis and psychoneurosis has been steadily increasing. The conditions which were mentioned in the last two annual reports of the chief surgeon are still pertinent and vital, viz, that due to the ever-increasing number of members under the above classification admitted to the various branches, a condition is being created which is already serious and it is urgently recommended that a definite program be started with a view of increasing proper facilities for the treatment and care of this type of member. The chief surgeon wishes to again bring to the attention of the president of the Board of Managers a possible remedy for the conditions above outlined, viz, the remodeling of one or two barracks at several of the branches with a view of preparing them as neuropsychiatric cottages where members suffering from psychoneurosis can be properly cared for and treated, such cottages to be manned by trained neuropsychiatric officers. Regarding the care of the definitely psychotic cases, certain added facilities will be provided at the Marion Branch during the next fiscal year or as soon as the building program at that branch is completed. It is recommended that every effort be made to get the necessary appropriation from Congress to complete the additional wing in connection with the treatment hospital at the Marion Branch. This could not be built during the present fiscal year due to inefficiency of amount appropriated. It is felt that the group of buildings which are to be built providing as they will a considerable number of individual rooms, will very much help and improve conditions, as it will provide a means of isolation and care for some of the more dangerous psychotic cases who badly need isolation, but due to lack of facilities have to be cared for in open wards at the present time.

The recognition of all of the hospitals in this service and their classification in class A by the American College of Surgeons have

had a stimulative effect as regards the type of work being done by the various medical staffs.

Central Branch.—The medical and surgical work has in no way diminished and shows a slight increase over the work done during the past fiscal year. The United States Veterans' Bureau is continuing to send all of their general medical and surgical cases over a wide area to this branch. This, in addition to the increased camp population, has entailed an increased amount of medical and surgical work. The results from the standpoint of rehabilitation have been excellent. The eye, ear, nose, and throat clinic which has been maintained at this branch during the past year has done a large amount of constructive work. The results which have been obtained through the other services such as laboratory, X ray, etc., have been very gratifying.

Northwestern Branch.—The medical and surgical service has been doing a reasonable amount of work, and the staff is now organized so that excellent results are being obtained. During the past year, due to the decrease in patients on the tuberculosis service, one-half of this hospital—namely, 250 beds—was taken over and organized as an adjunct to the general hospital for the treatment of general medical and surgical cases. This organization was put into effect July 1, 1928, and to date the results obtained have been most gratifying. The general hospital facilities were increased approximately 150 beds, 100 beds of the 250 taken over being absorbed as barrack space for an additional company, which was brought about by taking over the annex which was formerly a part of the old general hospital.

Eastern Branch.—There has been no particular change in the hospital activities at this branch, which have been carried on for a long time along definite lines intended to give proper and right medical and surgical treatment to the members of the branch. During the past year the laboratory and X-ray services have been reorganized to the extent of placing on duty a permanent laboratory and X-ray technician. This has greatly increased the efficiency of the laboratory service and has been of material aid in turning out a better quality of work as far as the X-ray service is concerned. The dental service is now well organized, and a reasonable and right amount of work is being accomplished.

Southern Branch.—The neuropsychiatric service which is maintained at this branch for the proper care of the older members of the home has been functioning in a very satisfactory manner. The chief surgeon wishes to recommend an increase in the neuropsychiatric facilities at the Southern Branch and the further development of this service if possible by providing a larger and more highly trained neuropsychiatric staff. It is further recommended that more married quarters be provided so that a proper type of trained neuropsychiatric personnel will be attracted to this work. The general medical and surgical service at this branch has been doing excellent work and the results have been satisfactory.

Western Branch.—The medical and surgical service at this branch has functioned in a very satisfactory manner. At the present time the general hospital is practically filled to capacity. The chief surgeon has recommended a plan whereby the bed capacity of the general hospital can be temporarily increased with a view of taking care of the present and possible future needs during the winter season.

The general medical and surgical facilities which are now provided at this branch are absolutely needed to care for the needs of the present membership and in order to maintain the proper and right standard of treatment and service. The small tuberculosis service at this branch is nearly filled to capacity and is functioning in a very satisfactory manner.

Pacific Branch.—The new general hospital which was completed during the fiscal year 1927 has been used at all times to capacity. In fact the need for additional general-hospital facilities at this branch is very apparent at the present time. The chief surgeon wishes to recommend additional construction to the new general hospital at as early a date as possible in order to increase the capacity and make provision for the proper care and treatment of the large membership which is always present at this branch. The new general hospital, due to type of construction, convenience of arrangement, and facilities, and also due to the fact that the medical staff has been working conscientiously, has completed a year's work which is very creditable both as to number of patients treated and as to results of treatment given. The new mess hall which will be completed and open for use about the first of the year will provide additional space in the General Barry Building and the chief surgeon wishes to recommend that this building be then used for convalescent purposes. The tuberculosis service has been practically filled to capacity for several months. A very excellent and high grade standard as regards diagnosis and treatment has been maintained with a resulting excellent record of accomplishment.

Marion Branch.—During the past fiscal year this branch has been filled to capacity at all times. At the present time there is a waiting list of over 250, with an additional list of nearly 50 awaiting transfer from other branches in the national home service. The demand for beds for the care and treatment of psychotic cases still increases. The new group of buildings which are to be built during the present fiscal year will increase the facilities by about 200 beds, but this additional construction will relieve the situation only temporarily as there are already more than enough applicants to fill the additional beds which will be created. It is urgently recommended that the money for the new addition to the treatment hospital be obtained if possible during the present fiscal year, as the 100 additional beds which would be gained are badly needed from the standpoint of classification and proper segregation of the sick mental patients. The chief surgeon feels that the grouping and placing of mental cases with a view of doing useful work, therapeutic in character, which has been carried out at this branch during the past year, has resulted in benefit to the patients both mentally and physically. This has also resulted in utilitarian gain to a certain extent as far as the branch is concerned.

Danville Branch.—There have been no special changes in the medical and surgical activities at this branch during the year. The number of cases requiring treatment at the general hospital has considerably increased so that at the present time the hospital is being used to capacity and has been for several months past.

Mountain Branch.—During the past fiscal year the recommendations which were made by the chief surgeon in his last annual report have been carried into effect, viz, the sanitarium which was formerly maintained at this branch has been changed back on home status.

The general hospital has been developed so that the character and kind of work which is being done is on a par with that which is being accomplished in the other general hospitals of the service. A relatively large tuberculosis service is being maintained, but this is being gradually reduced to a reasonable and right service as regards numbers. The plan which has been worked out, viz, two annexes—1 and 2—for the care of tuberculosis patients and the former treatment hospital to be utilized as a general hospital, has resulted in a most satisfactory arrangement. The hospital work which has been accomplished during the year, both general in character and from the standpoint of the tuberculosis service, has been very satisfactory.

Battle Mountain Sanitarium.—During the past fiscal year a portion of the tuberculosis hospital has been taken over for the care of general patients. This has increased the capacity of the sanitarium from the membership side and at the same time has left a sufficient number of beds to provide for adequate treatment for all tuberculosis patients who have applied for admission to the sanitarium to date. The care which has been given general medical and surgical cases has been most satisfactory and excellent results have been obtained. The tuberculosis service has been functioning in a satisfactory manner.

Consolidated medical report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928, is submitted herewith.

Respectfully yours,

B. F. HAYDEN,

Chief Surgeon,

National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

Gen. GEORGE H. WOOD,

President Board of Managers,

National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

Branches	Central	Northwestern	Eastern	Southern	Western	Pacific	Marion	Danville	Mountain	Battle Mountain Sanitarium	Total
Average present sick in hospital...	734	551	153	549	321	780	1,013	224	501	152	4,978
Average present sick in quarters...	811	123	111	116	285	631	0	180	0	193	1,930
Total average sick.....	1,045	674	264	665	606	1,411	1,013	404	501	345	6,908
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	38.83	47.73	37.65	40.92	32.90	47.83	100	26.52	50.1	79.13	50.05
Number treated in hospital.....	5,136	3,567	520	1,370	1,487	3,079	1,267	1,663	1,900	1,554	21,443
Number treated at sick call.....	2,751	1,679	964	2,958	2,260	3,793	0	1,550	1,362	0	17,317
Died in home.....	296	211	59	176	167	428	56	146	100	62	1,700
Died while absent from the home.....	28	19	3	42	25	46	1	35	6	2	207
Total deaths.....	324	230	62	217	192	474	57	181	106	64	1,907
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	34.16	41.83	33.88	55.63	36.90	62.37	44.99	34.57	31.94	38.69	41.50
Average age at death:											
Civil War.....	84.37	83.13	83.67	84.97	83.73	82.10	84.00	84.00	79.07	81.00	83.00
Spanish-American War.....	63.00	56.09	58.00	59.49	58.29	57.40	51.30	59.00	56.20	56.36	57.51
World War.....	35.12	35.00	35.14	37.70	36.61	33.10	36.46	37.00	33.33	35.39	35.49
Number insane present June 30, 1928.....	50	38	31	339	71	62	924	46	3	0	1,564
Number of patients in Government Hospital for Insane June 30, 1928.....	19	8	15	24	12	10	0	11	0	0	69
Number blind present June 30, 1928.....	12	15	4	15	3	22	6	9	2	3	61
Number of tuberculous patients treated during year.....	875	868	48	14	209	692	89	11	1,007	-180	4,002

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE CENTRAL BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Branch established 1867 by act of Congress. Located 2 miles west of Dayton, Ohio. The reservation comprises 578.87 acres; 287.87 are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles of roadway, 175 acres used for farming, 23 acres of Woods, and 93 acres of pasture. No farming was done by the home; the farm dairy barns, etc., were let during the calendar years, 1926, 1927, 1928, to a renter for half the produce. There are 116 buildings on the reservation, including 13 barracks, 12 brick and 1 frame; maximum capacity, 2,210 members; 12 hospital buildings, 10 brick and 2 frame; maximum capacity, 896 patients; and 91 other buildings, including storehouses, mess halls, power houses, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 30 are brick, 5 stone, 51 frame, and 5 are iron-frame buildings.

Land acquired by purchase, cost \$88,445.30; original cost of buildings \$2,507,279.54; appraised value \$2,454,586.26, including buildings put up by and belonging to the post fund.

Utilities

Heating: Steam with 8 boilers, using 27,590 tons coal, at \$4.08 per ton.....	\$112,567.20
Gas: 9,793 M. cubic feet used for cooking at sliding scale of 50 cents to \$1 per M. cubic feet....	5,125.53
Lighting:	
Purchased 235,900 kilowatt-hours.....	\$3,949.67
Generated 2,150,275 kilowatt-hours at \$0.00963 per kilowatt-hour.....	21,144.56
	25,094.23
Water:	
Purchased 834,000 gallons (sliding scale).....	100.61
Pumped 182,124,974 gallons at \$0.000046 per gallon.....	8,488.73
Ice: Made 1,326 $\frac{1}{4}$ tons, at \$1.23 per ton.....	1,635.16
Laundry: 2,239,560 pieces laundered, at \$0.0079 per piece.....	17,903.83
Dry cleaning: 51,125 pieces cleaned, at \$0.059 per piece.....	3,067.00

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1928	Fiscal year 1927
Average present, hospital patients.....	734	743
Average present, domiciliary members.....	1,957	1,616
Maintenance cost per day, hospital patients.....	\$2.41	\$2.43
Maintenance cost per day, domiciliary members.....	\$0.82	\$0.88
Cost per person subsisted per day, for food:		
Hospital general mess.....	\$0.3946	\$0.414
Hospital tubercular mess.....	\$0.5285	\$0.5425
General mess.....	\$0.3065	\$0.3156
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	844	844
Hospital tubercular mess.....	260	249
General mess.....	1,970	1,637
Average present and absent.....	3,374	2,924
Whole number cared for.....	9,483	8,770
Per capita cost.....	\$458.52	\$498.35

Return of Central Branch for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT		Death:	
For duty:		Civil War.....	131
Governor.....	1	Other service.....	193
Treasurer.....	1	Total.....	5,842
Surgeon.....	1		
Quartermaster.....	1	MISCELLANEOUS	
Commissary of subsistence.....	1	Changes:	
Inspector.....	1	From present to absent.....	6,612
Chaplains.....	2	From absent to present.....	6,378
Assistant surgeons.....	19	Total.....	12,990
Total.....	27		
Quartermaster sergeant.....	1	Total beds in barracks.....	2,210
Firing squad sergeant.....	1	Vacant.....	177
Hospital stewards.....	7	Total beds in hospital for patients.....	896
Company commanders.....	15	Vacant.....	146
Company sergeants.....	17	Members present and absent June 30, 1928,	
Total.....	41	having service other than Mexican or Civil	
Members subject to detail.....	1,284	Wars.....	3,123
On extra duty, members.....	368	Civil War.....	518
Sick in hospital, members.....	847	Colored members present and absent June	
Sick in quarters, members.....	312	30, 1928.....	364
Total present:			
Commissioned officers.....	24	AVERAGES	
Noncommissioned officers.....	41	Average present.....	2,691
Members.....	2,734	Average present and absent.....	3,374
Aggregate:		Whole number cared for.....	9,483
This return.....	2,775	Average temporarily at post.....	230
Last return.....	2,342	Average number member employees.....	349
ABSENT		AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED	
With leave:		Members, including temporarily at post.....	2,691
Commissioned officers.....	3	Civilian employees.....	383
Members.....	718	Total.....	3,074
Sick in Government Hospital for Insane,		(Officers not included in averages or totals.)	
members.....	19		
Without leave, members.....	129	WHAT WAR	
Total absent:		Civil.....	846
Commissioned officers.....	3	Spanish-American.....	2,916
Members.....	866	World War.....	5,721
Aggregate:		Total.....	9,483
This return.....	869		
Last return.....	632	WHAT SERVICE	
		Marines.....	88
PRESENT AND ABSENT		Army.....	9,079
Commissioned officers.....	27	Navy.....	316
Noncommissioned officers.....	41	Total.....	9,483
Members.....	3,600		
Aggregate:		OFFENSES	
This return.....	3,641	Major:	
Last return.....	2,974	Penal offenses.....	2
		Bringing in intoxicating liquors.....	36
GAIN		Drunkennes on duty.....	1
Appointment (officers).....	4	Other offenses.....	7
Transfer (officers).....	9	Total.....	46
Admission, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	66		
Admission, other service.....	3,374	Minor:	
Readmission.....	2,678	Absence without leave.....	170
Transfer.....	391	Drunkennes.....	1,082
Total.....	6,509	Disorderly conduct.....	108
		Violation of rules.....	217
LOSS		Other offenses.....	23
Resignation (officers).....	9	Total.....	1,600
Transfer (officers).....	8	Total offenses.....	1,646
Transfer.....	362		
Discharge.....	2,078		
Dropped from roll.....	2,178		

Ages

Age	Number	Age	Number	Age	Number	Age	Number
21.....	10	41.....	266	61.....	82	80.....	55
22.....	25	42.....	183	62.....	94	81.....	82
23.....	55	43.....	159	63.....	72	82.....	115
24.....	72	44.....	132	64.....	72	83.....	110
25.....	92	45.....	114	65.....	69	84.....	100
26.....	117	46.....	90	66.....	65	85.....	87
27.....	162	47.....	98	67.....	47	86.....	71
28.....	196	48.....	161	68.....	43	87.....	53
29.....	225	49.....	165	69.....	46	88.....	42
30.....	267	50.....	175	70.....	35	89.....	35
31.....	345	51.....	191	71.....	40	90.....	17
32.....	373	52.....	201	72.....	40	91.....	9
33.....	376	53.....	189	73.....	37	92.....	7
34.....	369	54.....	165	74.....	35	93.....	3
35.....	354	55.....	173	75.....	24	94.....	3
36.....	357	56.....	163	76.....	18	95.....	5
37.....	331	57.....	147	77.....	10	96.....	1
38.....	330	58.....	146	78.....	16	97.....	1
39.....	333	59.....	126	79.....	33	98.....	1
40.....	299	60.....	106				

Average age of members cared for:

World War.....	35.12
Mexican and Civil Wars.....	84.08
Spanish-American War.....	57.55

Average age of members deceased:

World War.....	35.12
Mexican and Civil Wars.....	84.37
Spanish-American War.....	63.00

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1928

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain					Loss												
	Sick	Absent with leave.	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped from roll	Death	Transfer to Government Hospital for Insane	Total
							Appointment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
Dec. 31:																								
1867	146	22	14	361	403	616	8		616			624	1					65			46			112
1868	168	111	8	602	732	1,320	1		630	26	103	760	1				41	349		14	20	20		452
Nov. 30:																								
1869	206	162	9	837	1,059	1,793			872	52		924					53	415		24	35	42		568
1870	261	357	10	935	1,305	1,954	2	1	657	62	11	733					30	320		9	78	72		510
1871	284	407	9	1,122	1,575	2,255			738	66	6	810					111	396		11	28	70		610
1872	295	381	17	1,271	1,669	2,426	1		693	65	30	789		1			31	524		18	30	104		708
1873	306	401	8	1,443	1,874	2,664		1	765	131	51	948	1				49	326		18	16	168	22	540
1874	324	499	7	1,833	2,346	3,255	1		893	169	79	1,132	1				77	410		26	34	130	4	682
1875	311	494	5	2,130	2,651	3,769			978	98	119	1,195					50	617		28	58	150	19	922
Dec. 31:																								
1876	322	548	12	2,511	3,075	4,184			1,044	229	64	1,337					54	642		25	78	155	17	971
1877	333	589	12	2,819	3,398	4,623			1,134	201	75	1,410					72	565		18	68	174	27	924
1878	346	667	12	3,172	3,813	5,093			1,041	292	61	1,394					79	651		22	71	200	9	1,032
June 30:																								
1879	335	708	13	3,386	4,054	4,596			406	92	37	535					46	291		13	37	145	18	820
1880	255	799	12	3,399	4,160	5,304	1	1	947	212	69	1,230	1	1			52	660		19	50	199	13	995
1881	299	914	31	3,595	4,525	5,552			938	239	64	1,241					104	536		38	64	261	12	1,015
1882	458	1,009	54	3,624	4,649	5,914	2		941	266	170	1,379	1				146	529		13	66	305		1,060
1883	472	959	41	3,946	4,802	6,284			1,106	149	56	1,313	1				133	218		16	790	281		1,439
1884	486	868	47	3,859	4,777	6,617			999	217	55	971	1				87	285		26	108	229	58	794
1885	344	847	39	4,192	5,081	6,884	3		917	216	49	1,185	1				38	311	1	16	184	269	53	873
1886	861	888	30	4,249	5,167	6,020	3		662	107	66	838	1		1		70	286	1	14	147	261	46	827
1887	946	859	31	4,284	5,176	6,022	1		601	143	84	829	1				180	211	1	13	182	284	34	906
1888	943	874	28	4,267	5,143	5,936			602	131	87	820					74	191	7	10	182	290	45	799
1889	1,068	819	36	4,509	5,345	6,300	2		825	203	133	1,163	1		1		49	270	1	12	170	289	36	829
1890	1,180	841	39	4,666	5,516	6,435	2		677	169	116	964	2				251	252	1	19	166	297	41	1,029
1891	1,197	781	38	4,683	5,481	6,559	1		842	195	115	1,153					154	282	10	25	198	384	47	1,100
1892	1,133	815	48	4,548	5,409	6,761	5		882	289	126	1,302	3		1		122	476	127	76	249	393	26	1,473
1893	1,054	903	39	4,534	5,392	6,707	1		822	362	234	1,419			1		136	389	135	60	224	305	57	1,307
1894	908	743	20	4,699	5,434	6,611	2		626	282	301	1,211			1	5	135	248	67	58	178	350	26	1,068
1895	914	763	17	4,767	5,488	6,732			607	349	233	1,189					155	294		46	196	321	51	1,063
1896	901	822	31	4,982	5,767	7,141			837	422	213	1,472					211	306		49	299	378	32	1,275
1897	897	899	41	5,033	5,892	7,037			679	332	160	1,171					119	290		44	227	344	34	1,058
1898	868	966	30	4,972	5,906	7,092			530	333	250	1,113					204	265		49	245	337	33	1,133

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1928—Continued

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NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain					Loss												
	Sick	Absent with leave.	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped from roll	Death	Transfer to Government Hospital for Insane	Total
							Appointment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
June 30—Contd.																								
1899	887	1,030	21	4,983	5,973	7,000			496	276	269	1,041				167	223		55	211	373	29	1,068	
1900	556	1,087	37	4,854	5,911	7,089			642	309	196	1,147				280	249		101	222	353	30	1,235	
1901	545	1,079	35	4,773	5,843	6,930	2		599	363	112	1,076	2			127	340		120	178	450	34	1,251	
1902	871	1,067	18	4,712	5,750	6,950	2		727	411	131	1,271	1		1	155	430		67	169	415	24	1,262	
1903	948	1,064	23	4,729	5,787	6,987	1		691	428	179	1,299				111	419		41	183	455	17	1,226	
1904	1,023	1,114	17	4,658	5,744	6,911	1		613	405	131	1,150	1			145	420		53	167	481	34	1,301	
1905	477	1,090	13	4,569	5,641	6,862			702	414	136	1,252				196	402		51	160	448	9	1,266	
1906	492	1,121	40	4,512	5,672	6,974	1		628	556	193	1,378	1			179	467		31	158	475		1,311	
1907	820	1,218	40	4,382	5,640	6,835	1		572	362	237	1,172			1	244	462		31	160	520		1,418	
1908	918	1,205	39	4,153	5,397	6,736			601	492	226	1,319				249	480		48	155	532		1,464	
1909	927	1,165	49	4,078	5,292	6,689	5		668	530	214	1,417			1	255	552		41	206	467		1,522	
1910	956	1,107	44	3,704	4,855	6,084	4		330	411	172	917	2	1	1	274	613		26	181	455		1,553	
1911	933	1,083	42	3,377	4,502	5,704	5	2	453	536	187	1,173	4	3		160	476		38	157	483		1,321	
1912	908	989	55	3,358	4,402	5,726	4	2	472	620	245	1,343	3	2		195	532		21	199	438		1,390	
1913	886	953	51	3,264	4,268	5,516	6	3	359	642	200	1,210	2	7		170	687			192	479		1,537	
1914	891	882	54	3,023	3,959	5,472	4	3	412	825	219	1,463	2	3		164	783		3	251	467		1,674	
1915	690	771	56	2,948	3,775	5,420	2	1	559	861	199	1,622	3	1		192	821		1	277	441		1,736	
1916	882	721	53	2,893	3,657	5,340	6	1	500	939	210	1,656	4	3		192	866			270	866		1,801	
1917	834	704	65	2,831	3,690	5,429	1	5	490	1,089	305	1,890	2	4		211	1,079		1	250	463		2,010	
1918	920	659	52	2,640	3,351	4,984	11	4	432	900	218	1,565	12	4	1	175	1,048			215	416		1,871	
1919	902	680	42	2,526	3,248	4,893	4	4	310	841	616	1,775	4	3		243	755			148	425		1,578	
1920	876	794	30	2,356	3,180	4,225	1	2	453	507	268	1,230	2	1		564	616			110	408		1,701	
1921	811	768	51	2,109	2,928	4,716	11	3	949	662	278	1,889	6	3		379	771		1	141	304		1,614	
1922	1,037	781	48	2,346	3,175	5,671	13	1	1,533	725	311	2,569	2	6		430	1,495			451	344		2,720	
1923	1,019	701	40	2,122	2,863	5,544	8	4	1,556	765	272	2,593	5	8		361	1,523			539	327		2,750	
1924	1,000	484	48	2,057	2,589	5,607	7	6	1,534	931	348	2,813	5	3		408	1,933			520	303		3,164	
1925	1,007	842	74	2,189	2,708	5,651	5	7	1,479	1,230	499	3,208	4	8	1	381	1,673			568	294		2,916	
1926	1,055	494	54	2,387	2,935	7,495	7	1	2,194	2,011	406	4,611	5	1		402	2,075			1,906	316		4,699	
1927	1,013	494	71	2,359	2,924	8,770	5	5	3,235	2,370	369	5,974	3	6		392	2,704			2,355	345		5,796	
1928	1,045	589	94	2,691	3,374	9,483	4	9	3,440	2,678	391	6,509	9	6		362	2,978			2,178	324		5,842	
Total							156	65	52,839	57,168	10,954	93,961	101	75	11	7	10,894	39,701	351	1,559	17,396	19,357	937	90,469

Whole number cared for from date of organization to June 30, 1928, 93,961.
Officers not included in averages or totals for fiscal year 1928.

RECORD OF FORMER OFFICERS OF THE CENTRAL BRANCH, JUNE 30, 1919, TO JUNE 30, 1928, INCLUSIVE

Governors:

Col. William J. White, April 4, 1912, to October 31, 1920.

Col. Frederick E. Bury, November 1, 1920, to December 31, 1921.

Treasurers:

Maj. William H. Ortt, April 1, 1907, to July 31, 1920.

Maj. John Springer, August 1, 1920, to October 31, 1925.

Surgeons:

Maj. Louis A. Thompson, July 1, 1916, to March 4, 1920.

Lieut. Col. Courtney P. Grover, March 5, 1920, to April 30, 1924.

Chiefs of tuberculosis service:

Maj. Owen S. Deathridge, November 12, 1923, to June 15, 1927.

Quartermasters:

Capt. John E. Gimperling, July 4, 1918, to June 7, 1921.

Capt. John Cissna, June 8, 1921, to July 31, 1924.

Commissaries of subsistence:

Capt. John Cissna, July 1, 1909, to June 7, 1921.

Capt. Arthur R. Davis, June 8, 1921, to June 30, 1923.

Capt. A. V. Bormann, July 1, 1923, to August 8, 1924.

Adjutant and inspector:

Capt. Benjamin F. Atkinson, February 15, 1918, to August 31, 1922.

Capt. Frank A. Cleveland, September 1, 1922, to January 1, 1923.

Capt. Paul P. Yoder, February 15, 1923, to April 15, 1924.

Capt. M. W. Sheehy, May 1, 1924, to May 31, 1925.

Senior assistant surgeons:

Capt. George W. Beach, August 4, 1920, to February 28, 1921.

Capt. Peter VerMeulen, March 20, 1921, to August 15, 1922.

Capt. Stephen A. Douglass, October 1, 1921, to April 11, 1923.

Capt. James J. Chandler, February 1, 1923, to November 30, 1923.

Capt. John E. Kelly, December 2, 1911, to August 31, 1926.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Transportation	Repairs	Farm	Total branch	Clothing	Total
CASH STATEMENT										
From general treasurer.....	\$86,000.00	\$460,000.00	\$203,600.00	\$365,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$94,000.00	\$27,600.00	\$1,237,200.00	\$1,179.13	\$1,238,379.13
Collections.....	2,646.01	25,958.42	3,777.49	2,977.78	-----	510.01	6,681.09	42,550.80	2,000.44	44,551.24
Total.....	88,646.01	485,958.42	207,377.49	367,977.78	1,000.00	94,510.01	34,281.09	1,279,750.80	3,179.57	1,282,930.37
Disbursed.....	88,403.08	485,201.21	206,853.45	367,821.50	992.83	94,136.86	32,915.09	1,276,324.02	3,179.57	1,279,503.59
Returned to general treasurer.....	242.93	757.21	524.04	156.28	7.17	373.15	1,366.00	3,426.78	-----	3,426.78
COST OF OPERATION										
Paid by treasurer.....	88,403.08	485,201.21	206,853.45	367,821.50	992.83	94,136.86	32,915.09	1,276,324.02	3,179.57	1,279,506.59
General Accounting Office settlements.....	77.55	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	77.55	-----	77.55
Outstanding liabilities.....	87.33	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	87.33	-----	87.33
Aggregate.....	88,567.96	485,201.21	206,853.45	367,821.50	992.83	94,136.86	32,915.09	1,276,488.90	3,179.57	1,279,668.47
Less collections.....	2,646.01	25,958.42	3,777.49	2,977.78	-----	510.01	6,681.09	42,550.80	2,000.44	44,561.24
Net cost.....	85,921.95	459,242.79	203,075.96	364,843.72	992.83	93,626.85	26,234.00	1,233,938.10	1,179.13	1,235,117.23
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA										
Personal services.....	29.87	22.07	19.27	119.09	-----	18.37	6.31	214.88	.54	215.42
Supplies.....	1.82	145.03	51.35	11.84	.37	19.52	3.29	230.22	.10	230.12
Equipment.....	.24	3.56	4.85	4.64	-----	-----	.15	13.44	-----	13.44
Total.....	31.93	170.66	75.47	135.57	.37	34.79	9.75	458.54	.44	458.98

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.053; supplies, \$0.347; total, \$0.400.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on net expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members, temporarily at post members, and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$70,580.92	Disbursed during year:	
Received from Bureau of Pensions.....	893,993.05	To pensioners.....	\$302,749.20
Canceled checks.....	946.00	To families.....	66,038.84
Overpayment.....	90.00		\$868,788.04
		Transferred to Marlon Branch.....	110.00
		Returned to Commissioner of Pen-	
		sions.....	466.00
		Transferred to post fund.....	25,508.45
		Balance.....	70,737.48
Total.....	965,609.97	Total.....	965,609.97

Of above balance \$22,477 is standing to the credit of deceased members.

THE RATE AND NUMBER OF PENSIONERS

Rate per month	Number, June 30, 1927	Gain		Total	Loss		Number June 30, 1928
		By admission, readmission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
6.00	9	21	0	30	14	3	13
8.00	4	5	1	10	1	2	7
10.00	1	9	0	10	4	1	6
12.00	17	23	0	40	18	5	17
14.00	3	4	0	7	5	0	2
15.00	5	1	0	6	0	1	5
16.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17.00	15	25	5	45	22	0	23
18.00	1	1	0	2	2	0	0
20.00	60	106	4	170	50	75	45
24.00	3	12	1	16	9	3	4
25.00	101	140	25	266	92	84	90
30.00	149	250	84	483	106	99	278
40.00	262	265	125	652	275	89	288
50.00	477	440	119	1,036	484	12	540
72.00	331	101	9	441	225	1	215
80.00	1	1	0	2	1	0	1
82.00	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
90.00	3	12	2	17	14	0	3
100.00	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
	1,443	1,417	375	3,235	1,323	375	1,537

Actual number of pensioners cared for (from total deduct the number gained by change of rate), 2,860.

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward.....	\$7,500.35	Transferred to general post fund.....	\$22,503.71
Store: Sales, etc.....	3,930.00	Hotel and restaurant: Merchandise, etc.....	13,667.67
Hotel and restaurant: Sales, etc.....	14,242.65	Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	15,383.84
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	589.60	Construction.....	635.95
Miscellaneous.....	2,152.66	Repairs.....	2,814.59
Posthumous pension fund.....	25,508.45	Miscellaneous.....	7,945.21
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	8,376.01	Posthumous pension fund.....	1,228.92
Transferred from general post fund.....	16,600.00	Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	4,524.52
Proceeds of outstanding checks drawn by John Springer as superintendent, post fund:		Balance.....	10,208.31
Check No. 39316, dated Aug. 26, 1925.....	5.00		
Check No. 39369, dated Sept. 1, 1925.....	8.00		
Total.....	78,912.72	Total.....	78,912.72

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount
Cash.....	\$7,500.35	Cash.....	\$10,208.31
Store: Fixtures.....	2,028.86	Store: Fixtures.....	2,028.86
Hotel, etc.: Fixtures, \$7,680.34; stock, \$135.13.....	7,815.47	Hotel, etc.: Fixtures, \$8,754.63; stock, \$153.38.....	8,908.01
Amusement fixtures.....	41,419.03	Amusement fixtures.....	42,879.38
Buildings.....	133,293.00	Buildings.....	133,293.00
Miscellaneous.....	1,902.36	Miscellaneous.....	2,564.17
Total.....	193,959.07	Total.....	199,881.73
Liabilities.....	5,786.61	Liabilities.....	10,608.28

Employees paid from post fund

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Chapels.....	2	0	\$576
Hotel.....	5	4	4,928
Veterans' clubhouse.....	4	0	1,284
Library.....	6	0	2,256
Musicians.....	0	2	720
Choir.....	2	6	1,440
Theater.....	4	0	1,128
Superintendent post fund office.....	1	0	1,200
Hospital.....	1	0	288
Total.....	25	12	13,820

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments, and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games and library free of charge.

There were given 455 band concerts, 67 motion-picture shows, 55 baseball games, and 8 theatrical performances.

Under this head there was expended for:

67 motion-picture shows.....	\$1,872.15
55 baseball games.....	600.00
11 theatrical entertainments.....	825.00
Books, etc., and clubroom equipment.....	2,502.75
For services, members of band and other employees authorized.....	7,835.10
Total.....	13,435.00

The expenditure from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$13,435, a per capita of \$4.98, figured on the average present.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital is divided into 34 wards and has a capacity for 896 patients. Quarters for convalescents provide for 43 and tubercular cottage for 250 patients. Combination barracks have a capacity of 372.

There are 20 assistant surgeons; 79 female trained nurses, and 120 male nurses. On June 30 there were 742 patients in hospital, 312 sick in quarters, and 116 members at sick call. There were 154 vacant beds in hospital on that date.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year were as follows:

	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Average present, sick in hospital.....	734	743
Average present, sick in quarters.....	311	290
Total average sick.....	1,045	1,033
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	38.83	43.78
Number treated in hospital.....	5,136	5,469
Number treated at sick call.....	2,751	1,731
Died in the home.....	296	306
Died while absent from the home.....	28	39
Total deaths.....	324	345
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	34.16	39.33
Average age at death.....	57.94	62.09
Number of insane cared for.....	122	91
Number of blind cared for.....	20	22
Number of insane sent to Government hospital during the year.....	0	0
Total patients in the Government Hospital for the Insane.....	19	19
Number of insane present June 30.....	50	35
Number of blind present June 30.....	12	17
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	875	918
Number of tubercular patients June 30.....	182	204

Cause of death during the year, and number of deaths from each cause:

Angina pectoris.....	1	Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	1
Arteriosclerosis.....	7	Luetic meningitis.....	1
Asthenia.....	15	Chronic myocardial failure.....	1
Atrophy chronic spinal muscular.....	1	Chronic myocarditis.....	59
Adenitis.....	1	Pulmonary hemorrhage.....	4
Acute alcoholism.....	1	Pulmonary passive congestion.....	1
Bronchial asthma.....	1	Paralytic stroke.....	1
Acute cardiac dilatation.....	21	Poisoning.....	1
Chronic cystitis.....	2	Peritonitis.....	2
Crushing, injury to chest.....	1	Pneumonia.....	20
Cardiac decompensation.....	23	Paresis.....	1
Cerebral hemorrhage.....	14	Pernicious anemia.....	1
Cerebral embolism.....	1	Mitral insufficiency.....	1
Cirrhosis.....	1	Intestinal obstruction.....	1
Carcinoma.....	10	Chronic parenchymatous nephritis.....	2
Drowned.....	1	Syphilis.....	1
Edema pulmonary.....	2	Suicide.....	1
Encephalitis lethargic.....	1	Surgical shock.....	1
Pulmonary emphysema.....	1	Sarcoma.....	2
Fracture, hip.....	2	Pulmonary tuberculosis.....	60
Gangrene.....	4	Valvular heart disease.....	20
Gunshot wound.....	1	Unknown.....	28
Hodgkins' disease.....	1		
Lymphatic leukemia.....	1	Total.....	324

Number of operations performed during the year:

Major.....	1,023
Minor.....	219
Total.....	1,242

Average number of hospital employees:

Male.....	243
Female.....	166
Total.....	409

Amount expended from appropriation for hospital during the year:

Services.....	\$320,470.83
Drugs and medicines.....	5,993.00
Wines, liquors, alcohol, and beer.....	401.21
Special diet supplies.....	0
All other supplies and appliances.....	40,902.77
Total.....	367,767.81

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT—BUILDING

Construction and repair:

Built solarium on east side of Company 12.....	\$850.00
Overhauled and repaired monument in cemetery.....	150.00
Put new roof on duck house at greenhouse.....	50.00
Installed screens in basements Companies 7 and 8.....	80.00
Installed milk-can racks at general, Companies 7 and 8, annex Nos. 3 and 4, and hospital messes.....	150.00
Built new garbage house at hospital kitchen.....	350.00
Built cooler for fresh vegetables in basement of annex No. 4.....	250.00
Covered roof of Chaplain Gibson's quarters.....	400.00
Installed metal lockers in Companies 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, and the hospital service building.....	8,004.70
Rebuilt all tables in general, Franklin, Harris, noncommissioned staff, and main hospital messes.....	750.00
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Built new roof over reservoir at lake pump house.....	300.00
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Built solaria on annex No. 2 (Company 14).....	750.00
Installed a seat in each elevator in camp.....	160.00
Moved bookcases from third floor to second floor of library and repaired them.....	35.00
Removed runway from across the street at annex No. 3.....	75.00
Made built-in wardrobes in two bedrooms in the surgeon's quarters.....	50.00
Inclosed porch with screen on commissary of subsistence's quarters.....	30.00
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Installed metal ceilings second floor Companies 1, 3, and 9; toilets of Companies 1, 3, 5, and 9; governor's office; Colonel Cash's room at hotel and toilet in general headquarters offices.....	2,100.00
Installed new bath tub in ward 6.....	40.00
Installed new bath tub in Company 1.....	40.00
Hung new light fixtures over pool tables in veterans' clubhouse.....	200.00
Installed four new washing machines in washroom at laundry.....	3,000.00
Installed new sink in home store.....	50.00
Installed new brine pump in power plant.....	200.00
Installed new shower baths in Companies 1, 3, and civilian quarters over ward 24.....	405.00
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Installed new potato peeler in Company 7.....	75.00
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Construction and repair—Continued.

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Installed washing machine and extractor in basement of nurses' quarters.....	875.00
Roofs of buildings at annex No. 4 were painted (by laborers).....	400.00
Installed new steam kettle in general mess.....	275.00
Rewired ceilings of Companies 1, 3, and 9 before putting on metal ceilings.....	225.00
Razed the old root cellar.....	75.00
Built new incinerator at main hospital.....	125.00
Installed radio headsets for bedsides, one ward at Company 7 and one at Company 8.....	150.00
Made water connection for emergency service at lake pump house and installed water meter.....	225.00
Installed new molder, rounder, and proofer in bake shop.....	3,200.00
Installed new boiler in power plant.....	7,586.00
Total.....	59,410.40
Painting: Painted Catholic chapel exterior and interior; interior of restaurant, barber shop, and home store; bandstand and Dutch congress; interior of all five assistant surgeons' quarters north of hotel; interior of ward 21; exterior of farmhouse, south gate; exterior, two sets of civilian quarters in west side of camp; exterior adjutant's quarters; exterior triplex quarters; solarium and porch and trim of Company 12; exterior of Protestant chaplain's quarters; exterior of restaurant; interior of Company 7; attic of governor's quarters; interior of annex No. 4; quarters over bake shop; general headquarters offices; surgeon's quarters; exterior; interior of Doctor Clark's quarters; interior of the commissary of subsistence's quarters; in addition all fire plugs and lamp-posts were painted throughout the branch; painted most of the beds and radiators and refinished a lot of the furniture. All walls and ceilings were washed before being painted...	14,360.40
Grand total.....	73,770.80

FARM

The appropriation for farm includes expenditures in the upkeep of roads, cemeteries, lawns, parks, greenhouses, flower gardens, stables, dairies, feeds, purchase of all animals, and all supplies used and services required in connection with these places.

Stable.—Average number of public animals kept during the year: 3 horses, 4 mules. Appraised value \$800. Number and kind of public vehicles in use: 4 motor trucks, 2 dump wagons, and 2 farm wagons.

OPERATIONS OF DAIRY

No dairy operated. Farm cultivated on shares.

FARM AND GARDEN

One hundred and seventy-five acres were cultivated as follows: 69 acres in corn; 65½ acres in oats and alfalfa; 40½ acres in oats, red clover, and timothy.

Products and disposition

Articles	Used in commissary and sales	Consumed by stable	Total product
1,213 bushels oats, ¹ at 60 cents.....	\$81.00	\$732.80	\$727.80
24 tons straw, at \$11.45.....	206.10	44.66	274.80
2,013 dozen sweet corn, at 20 cents.....	402.60		402.60
14 tons mixed hay, at \$20.....		420.00	280.00
1,000 bushels corn, ² at 95 cents.....	1,015.00	693.50	950.00
468 bundles fodder, at 2 cents.....	9.36		9.36

¹ Crops farmed on the shares and the amounts shown are the amounts received as our share.

² Sold.

³ Commissary.

⁴ Part used for sheep.

⁵ Sold 350 bushels corn from previous year.

We have shown total consumed under stables, including what was carried over and purchased.

Cost of operation

	Average number employ-ees	Amount paid for services	Amount paid for supplies	Total
Nonproductive:				
Upkeep roads, cemetery, etc.....	6	\$3,720.00	\$4,015.98	\$7,735.98
Teams, camp work.....	35	13,247.69	5,942.68	19,190.37
Productive:				
Farm proper and vegetable garden.....	0		332.14	332.14

Total expenses of operating productive enterprises under this head, \$332.14. Value of products, \$2,644.56. Net gain, \$2,312.42.

HEATING, LIGHTING, AND POWER PLANT, WATER AND GAS

The steam plant consists of eight 350-horsepower sterling class I-17 water-tube boilers. No. 1 installed in 1926 and No. 2 installed in 1905; settings rebuilt, 1916; Nos. 3 and 4 installed in 1906; No. 5 installed in 1928; No. 6 installed in 1907; Nos. 7 and 8 installed 1908 and equipped with Taylor stokers in 1920; Nos. 3, 4, 5, and 6 equipped with type E stokers, 1920-21; Nos. 7 and 8 equipped with type E stokers in 1922. International water softener installed in 1922. Two Moffatt-feed water heaters installed in 1921-22. Two duplex pot-valve boiler feed pumps installed in 1922. New steam heater over boilers installed in 1921. All boilers equipped with flue gas analyzers or C° 2 meters.

The lighting system: One 325-horsepower, 250-kilowatt, direct-current Buckeye-Thresher installed in 1900; one 325-horsepower, 250-kilowatt, direct-current Buckeye-C. H. installed in 1908; one 500-horsepower, 375-kilowatt, direct-current Allis-Chalmers installed in 1920; one 500-horsepower, 300-kilowatt, direct-current Allis-Chalmers installed in 1922; one 200-kilowatt, alternating-current Allis-Chalmers motor generator set installed in 1923; one 150-kilowatt, direct-current motor generator set (General Electric) installed in 1915.

The ice plant: Motor driven, 40 tons refrigeration capacity. Vilter compressor installed in 1923. Ten-ton freezing tank with brine cooler and circulating pumps installed by Arctic Ice Machine Co. in 1920.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees:	
Steam plant.....	\$16,368.00
Lighting plant.....	8,184.00
Refrigeration and ice plant.....	480.00
Total.....	\$25,032.00
Fuel (27,590 tons coal at \$4.08).....	112,667.20
Oils, other than fuel.....	1,408.95
Repairs, including parts.....	6,544.27
New units of machinery purchased (1 new boiler).....	7,586.00
Total.....	153,138.42

Fuel: 26,706 tons bituminous coal were purchased at \$4.08 per ton. Year prior 26,107.7 tons were purchased at \$3.83 per ton.

Electric current: Electric current produced, 2,150,572 kilowatt hours; cost per kilowatt hour, \$0.00983; purchased 2,359 kilowatt hours, cost per kilowatt hour¹ (total cost, \$3,949.67); total cost of current, \$25,094.23.

¹ Cost of electricity: (1) Average steam per horsepower hour equals 22 pounds.

(2) Kilowatts generated per hour equals 245.

(3) 1 kilowatt equals 1,000 watts; 1 horsepower equals 746 watts. Therefore 245 times 1,000 equals 245,000 watts. Divide 245,000 by 746 equals 328 horsepower hour. Since the average consumption of steam per horsepower hour is 328, multiply 328 by 22, which is 7,216 pounds of steam consumed per hour. From this deduct 5 per cent for condensation, leaks, etc., which gives 6,455 pounds of steam consumed per hour. Now there are 8,760 hours in a year; therefore, multiply 6,455 by 8,760, which is 56,545,800 pounds of steam as the total consumption for the year.

(4) 3½ pounds of coal equals 1 horsepower; 22 pounds of steam equals 1 horsepower. Therefore, divide 56,545,800 by 22 to get total horsepower used (developed), which is 2,567,264 horsepower. Then multiply 2,567,264 by 3½ to get total coal, which is 8,775,424 pounds of coal, or 4,388 tons of coal to produce the electricity; 4,388 times \$4.08 equals \$17,903.04, which is the cost of coal.

(5, 6) Cost of help in power plant is \$24,552; charge one-third to electric power, which is \$8,184. Charge one-third of oil to electric power, which is \$469.65. Charge one-fourth of repair parts for the power plant to the electric power which is \$1,036.06. The total cost, including coal, is \$23,192.75.

(7) Low pressure steam is used one-half of the year. Total cost is \$23,192.75; therefore one-half of \$23,192.75 is \$11,596.38. Credit electric power with one-half of \$14,096.38, which is \$7,048.19; or \$23,192.75 less \$7,048.19 equals \$16,144.56, which is total cost of electric power. Total kilowatt hours equals 2,150,275; therefore divide and we have \$0.00983, which is the cost per kilowatt hour.

Gas: Gas was used for cooking in messes, employees, and officers' quarters; 9,793,000 cubic feet purchased¹ (total cost, \$5,125.53); year prior 9,984,000 cubic feet purchased.²

Water: Daily average consumption of water was 501,257 gallons; purchased, 834,000 gallons³ (total cost, \$100.61); prior year, purchased, 126,000 gallons.³

Ice: Capacity of plant, 40 tons refrigeration and 7½ tons ice; 1,326½ tons produced at a cost of \$1.23 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY-CLEANING PLANT

Laundry machinery and equipment consists of 1 sterilizer, 10 washers (1 motor), 4 extractors, 3 drying tumblers (5 motor), 2 flat-work ironers (2 motors), 6 press machines (laundry), 2 body ironers (2 motors), 2 sleeve ironers (2 motors), 1 starch cooker, 3 exhaust fans (including 3 motors). Dry-cleaning plant: 2 wash machines (1 motor), 1 pump, 1 still, benzine, 2 press machines (garment), 1 drying tumbler, 2 fans, exhaust (including motors).

Cost of operation

	Employees		Amount for services	Supplies	Parts	Total
	Male	Female				
Laundry.....	18	15	\$15,532.00	\$2,371.83	(1)	\$17,003.83
Dry-cleaning plant.....	1	3	2,616.00	451.00	-----	3,067.00
Total.....	-----	-----	18,148.00	-----	-----	-----

¹ 3 washers purchased costing total of \$1,898.50.

Pieces laundered, 2,239,560; cost per piece, \$0.0079; cost per capita, \$7.39. Pieces dry cleaned, 51,125; cost per piece, \$0.059; cost per capita, \$1.13. We charged off the cost of the new boiler.

Clothing

Articles	Issued for use	Con-demned ¹	In storehouses, June 30, 19—		
			New	Reissue ²	Value
Trousers, pajama.....	1,226	935	90	-----	\$40.50
Coats, pajama.....	977	734	90	-----	40.50
Gowns, ward.....	261	105	135	-----	276.75
Coats, great blue.....	285	31	-----	308	865.48
Shirts, cotton, olive-drab.....	11	-----	12	2	7.41
Belts.....	88	91	-----	7	.35
Coats:					
Dress.....	1,662	551	78	731	2,244.11
Great olive-drab.....	212	5	-----	159	198.75
Drawers:					
Heavy.....	2,287	1,358	851	630	670.32
Light.....	4,126	2,980	81	70	29.84
Hats, wool.....	1,732	1,560	410	40	731.00
Shirts:					
Olive-drab wool.....	130	338	-----	171	171.00
Chambray.....	5,111	3,849	28	517	163.31
Cotton.....	381	427	-----	-----	-----
Shoes.....	2,624	1,840	7	50	67.12
Slippers, ward.....	176	253	167	-----	223.78
Socks:					
Cotton.....	14,204	9,380	62	469	32.62
Wool.....	2	-----	-----	17	1.53
Suspenders.....	1,057	980	61	4	14.49
Trousers.....	3,035	2,040	184	333	1,023.46
Undershirts:					
Cotton.....	3,935	2,817	140	153	56.29
Wool.....	2,098	1,052	899	1,113	1,644.72
Vests.....	1,237	460	34	510	494.19

¹ Full price charged on condemned.

² Half price charged on reissue.

Value of clothing condemned, \$26,185.78; value of clothing received from general depot, \$34,383.68.

¹ Scale of price for gas this year and last: First 10,000 cubic feet at \$0.70 per 1,000, next 5,000 cubic feet at \$0.65 per 1,000, next 5,000 cubic feet at \$0.60 per 1,000, all over 20,000 cubic feet at \$0.55 per 1,000. Electricity is also purchased on a scale depending on amount used.

² Scales of prices of water sold on quarterly basis: First 9,000 cubic feet at \$0.90 per 1,000, next 10,000 cubic feet at \$0.75 per 1,000, next 80,000 cubic feet at \$0.60 per 1,000, next 400,000 cubic feet at \$0.50 per 1,000, next 500,000 cubic feet at \$0.45 per 1,000.

NOTE.—Purchases of electricity for Wagner Wells amounted to \$3,949.67.

Employment

EMPLOYEES UNDER THE GENERAL FUND AND AMOUNT PAID DURING THE YEAR

	Officers	Members	Nonmembers	Total
Authorized number.....	29	425	389	843
Average daily employed.....	28	361	344	783
Total amount paid.....	\$70,808.93	\$244,431.16	\$264,431.00	\$579,671.09
PRIOR YEAR				
Authorized number.....	29	419	381	829
Average daily employed.....	28	356	325	709
Total amount paid.....	\$69,569.89	\$240,409.71	\$258,686.33	\$568,665.93

NONMEMBER EMPLOYEES

Average number of men.....	129	Laborers.....	62
Women.....	242	Laundry employees.....	11
Total.....	371	Librarian.....	1
Bakers.....	2	Managers.....	2
Aides, occupational therapy.....	7	Matron.....	1
Custodians.....	2	Musician, chief.....	1
Meat cutter.....	1	Musicians.....	15
Carpenters.....	3	Nurse, chief.....	1
Aides, physiotherapy.....	5	Janitors.....	2
Chaplains.....	2	Nurses, women.....	67
Choristers.....	8	Oculist.....	1
Clerks.....	26	Operator, radio.....	1
Mess stewards.....	2	Painter.....	1
Cooks.....	17	Plumbers.....	2
Auto mechanic.....	1	Printer.....	1
Dietitians.....	2	Porter.....	1
Driver.....	1	Sergeant major.....	1
Druggists.....	2	Seamstress.....	1
Electricians.....	4	Sergeants of guard.....	2
Engineer, chief.....	1	Steam fitters.....	4
Engineers.....	6	Tailors.....	3
Firemen.....	6	Dish washer.....	1
Gardeners.....	8	Tinsmith.....	1
Hospital stewards.....	3	Waiters.....	68
Housekeeper.....	1	Ward attendants.....	9
Janitress.....	1	Total.....	371

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general camp and hospital. In addition to the general mess hall, two barracks are equipped with a combination kitchen and dining room for aged and infirm members.

The mess hall capacity of the branch at one sitting is as follows: General mess hall, 972; combination messes, 204; noncommissioned officers and clerks' mess discontinued; hospital general mess, 120; tubercular cottage mess, discontinued; nurses' mess, 38; annex 3, 250; annex 4, 240; druggists', 12; total, 1,836.

Average sittings each meal, average number served each meal, average number of employees, and cost of rations

	Sittings	Number served	Employees		Cost of rations	
			Dining room	Kitchen	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
General mess.....	2	1,641	24	31	\$0.3061	\$0.3129
Combination mess.....	2	302	14	8	.3073	.3269
Hospital general mess.....	2	521	7	21	.4005	.4241
Annex 3.....	2	225	6	5	.4046	.4154
Annex 4.....	2	260	14	9	.5276	.5425
Nurses' mess.....	2	91	3	4	.3359	.3516
Druggists' mess.....	1	5	1	1	.4005	.3623

Cost per capita, special dinners, etc., purchased from post fund, based on average subsisted, \$0.3539.

The average daily consumption per man on some of the food articles was as follows: Bread, 6.63 ounces; meat and fish, 11.75 ounces; coffee and tea, 1.15 ounces; milk, 1.27 pints; cheese, 0.23 ounce; oleo, 0.87 ounce; sugar, 3.79 ounces; cereal, 1.04 ounces; vegetables, 20.12 ounces.

Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same during the year

Article	Quantity	Total cost	Article	Quantity	Total cost
Bacon.....pounds..	58, 184	\$10, 903. 03	Milk.....gallons..	173, 680	\$40, 849. 42
Beef, dressed.....do....	330, 371	63, 347. 33	Onions.....pounds..	50, 046	1, 293. 44
Eggs.....dozen....	109, 104	30, 417. 93	Potatoes.....do....	782, 744	14, 010. 81
Fish, fresh.....pounds..	28, 650	3, 512. 41	Sugar.....do....	209, 405	12, 470. 57
Ham.....do....	51, 344	9, 770. 16	Beans, navy.....do....	28, 646	1, 874. 00
Flour.....do....	31, 262	1, 018. 43	Beans, Lima.....do....	8, 226	627. 71
Cheese.....do....	17, 906	4, 520. 41	Rice.....do....	11, 379	538. 47
Oleomargarine.....do....	60, 972	7, 205. 29	Apples, evaporated.....do....	4, 897	658. 53
Coffee.....do....	80, 594	20, 319. 03	Peaches, evaporated.....do....	9, 728	1, 041. 73
Pork shoulders.....do....	51, 209	7, 476. 67	Pork, salt.....do....	15, 196	2, 257. 91

Bakery—Operation and average cost per pound of bread, etc., produced

	Pounds of flour or meal used	Pounds of bread, etc., produced	Cost per pound
Bread.....	361, 048	483, 458½	\$0. 0328
Cake.....	36, 431	87, 856	. 05
Pies.....	12, 265	32, 707	. 082
Corn bread.....	13, 322	26, 644	. 05
Total.....	422, 972	556, 404½	24, 264. 41

Average pounds of bread produced from 100 pounds of flour, 134.

Average number of employees, 5; amount paid employees, \$3,624; cost of fuel, \$1,253.18; total, \$4,877.18

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 75 persons, and is open daily between the hours of 8.30 a. m. and 8.30 p. m. Twenty newspapers and 56 periodicals were supplied; 573 volumes new books purchased during year. Total number of volumes, 19,809.

There are six persons employed in the library; cost of services, \$2,256; 33,391 books were circulated or read.

The Post Office Department furnishes gratis from undelivered magazines, practically all that are needed in the home.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 450 persons. Four choristers were employed. Regular services were held three times per week. Average attendance, 150. The chaplain officiated at 126 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital seven times per week.

Catholic.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 500 persons. Four choristers were employed. Regular services were held seven times per week. Average attendance, 200. Other services three times per week. The chaplain officiated at 37 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital seven times per week.

CEMETERY

There were 163 burials in the cemetery during the year. Total number buried there, 14,034; total capacity of the cemetery, 16,884 graves.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 11½; paid from general fund, \$9,870; clothing, \$132.63; subsistence, \$670.14; total, \$10,672.77.

F. C. RUNKLE, Governor.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE NORTHWESTERN BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Branch established 1867 by act if Congress approved March 21, 1866. Located in city of Milwaukee, post-office address "National Home, Wis." The reservation comprises 382.25 acres, 150 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 7 miles of roadway; no land is used for farming; 30 acres of woods, and 4 acres of pasture. There are 71 buildings on the reservation, including 5 barracks (4 brick and 1 veneered, maximum capacity 951 members), 2 hospital buildings (maximum capacity 941 patients), and 64 other buildings, including storehouse, mess hall, power house, theater, chapel, library, etc., of which 16 are brick and 48 frame. Land was acquired by purchase, cost \$79,544.54; original cost of buildings, \$2,018,667.73; appraised value \$2,000,000.

Utilities

Heating: steam, with 7 boilers, six 231 horsepower, one 400 horsepower, using 13,799 tons of coal at \$5.99.....	Total cost
Gas: 6,846,100 cubic feet used for cooking, at \$0.579 per 1,000 cubic feet.....	\$82,658.01
Lighting: Electricity generated, 899,800 kilowatt-hours, at \$0.0122 per kilowatt-hour.....	3,963.99
Water: Purchased 100,959, 191 gallons, at \$0.0000936 per gallon.....	8,455.47
Ice: Made 847.45 tons, at \$1.08 per ton.....	9,420.62
Laundry: 1,259,137 pieces laundered, at \$0.0079 per piece.....	915.28
Dry cleaning: 23,925 pieces dry cleaned, at \$0.0630 per piece.....	10,059.55
	1,509.32

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year	
	1928	1927
Average present:		
Hospital patients.....	551	573
Domiliary members.....	861	705
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital members.....	\$2.80	\$2.74
Domiliary members.....	\$1.02	\$1.06
Cost food per person subsisted per day:		
Hospital general mess.....	\$0.4322	\$0.416
Hospital tuberculosis mess.....	\$0.6218	\$0.6378
General mess.....	\$0.3353	\$0.3138
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	501	456
Hospital tuberculosis mess.....	322	364
General mess.....	724	697
Average number present and absent (including temporarily at post).....	1,906	1,766
Whole number cared for.....	5,498	4,928
Per capita cost.....	\$627.58	\$642.81

Return for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT	PRESENT—continued
For duty:	For duty:
Governor..... 1	Sergeant major..... 1
Treasurer..... 1	Quartermaster sergeant.....
Surgeon..... 1	Commissary sergeant.....
Quartermaster..... 1	Hospital stewards.....
Commissary of subsistence..... 1	Company commanders..... 8
Adjutant..... 1	Company sergeants..... 9
Inspector.....	Firing squad sergeant.....
Chaplains..... 2	Guard sergeants..... 1
Assistant surgeons..... 14	
Total..... 22	Total..... 19
	Members subject to detail..... 365

PRESENT—continued

On extra duty:	
Members.....	286
Sick in hospital:	
Commissioned officers.....	
Noncommissioned officers.....	
Members.....	553
Sick in quarters:	
Commissioned officers.....	
Noncommissioned officers.....	
Members.....	113
Total present:	
Commissioned officers.....	22
Noncommissioned officers.....	19
Members.....	1,317
Aggregate:	
This return.....	1,336
Last return.....	1,314

ABSENT

With leave:	
Commissioned officers.....	2
Noncommissioned officers.....	
Members.....	489
Sick in Government Hospital for the Insane:	
Members.....	8
Without leave:	
Noncommissioned officers.....	
Members.....	67
Total absent:	
Commissioned officers.....	2
Noncommissioned officers.....	
Members.....	564
Aggregate:	
This return.....	564
Last return.....	492

PRESENT AND ABSENT

Commissioned officers.....	24
Noncommissioned officers.....	19
Members.....	1,881
Aggregate:	
This return.....	1,900
Last return.....	1,806

GAIN

Appointment (officers).....	5
Transfer (officers).....	5
Admission, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	117
Admission, other service.....	1,799
Readmission.....	1,458
Transfer.....	318
Total.....	3,702

LOSS

Resignation (officers).....	5
Death (officers).....	
Transfer (officers).....	5
Transfer.....	324
Discharge.....	1,775
Dropped from roll.....	1,271
Death, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	67

LOSS—continued

Death, other service.....	161
Total.....	3,608

MISCELLANEOUS

Changes:	
From present to absent.....	4,831
From absent to present.....	4,759
Total.....	9,590
Total beds in barracks.....	958
Vacant.....	177
Total beds in hospital for patients.....	940
Vacant.....	487
Members present and absent June 30, 1928, having service other than Mexican or Civil Wars (including 1,072 Great War).....	1,608
Colored members present and absent June 30, 1928.....	105

AVERAGES

Average present.....	1,412
Average present and absent.....	1,908
Whole number cared for.....	5,498
Average temporarily at post.....	71
Average number of member employees.....	332

AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED

Members.....	1,309
Civilian employees.....	311
Total.....	1,620

WHAT WAR

Civil.....	377
Spanish-American.....	1,363
German.....	3,758
Total.....	5,498

WHAT SERVICE

Army.....	5,046
U. S. Marine Corps.....	87
Navy.....	365
Total.....	5,498

OFFENSES

Major:	
Bringing in intoxicating liquors.....	305
Drunkenness on duty.....	137
Absence without leave while under sentence.....	110
Total.....	552
Minor:	
Absence without leave.....	319
Drunkenness.....	702
Disorderly conduct.....	28
Violation of rules.....	360
Total.....	1,407
Total offenses.....	1,961

Ages

Age	Number	Age	Number	Age	Number	Age	Number
19.....	4	39.....	198	59.....	36	79.....	17
20.....	5	40.....	186	60.....	33	80.....	41
21.....	8	41.....	136	61.....	44	81.....	42
22.....	10	42.....	73	62.....	42	82.....	48
23.....	15	43.....	81	63.....	12	83.....	34
24.....	23	44.....	58	64.....	27	84.....	31
25.....	38	45.....	76	65.....	34	85.....	31
26.....	46	46.....	74	66.....	14	86.....	14
27.....	66	47.....	86	67.....	10	87.....	9
28.....	164	48.....	84	68.....	10	88.....	5
29.....	163	49.....	123	69.....	16	89.....	15
30.....	208	50.....	143	70.....	6	90.....	9
31.....	249	51.....	118	71.....	6	91.....	5
32.....	276	52.....	88	72.....	13	92.....	1
33.....	298	53.....	82	73.....	8	94.....	2
34.....	279	54.....	80	74.....	4	96.....	1
35.....	283	55.....	86	75.....	11	97.....	1
36.....	265	56.....	73	76.....	3	100.....	1
37.....	242	57.....	48	77.....	10		
38.....	243	58.....	58	78.....	16	Total..	5,498

Average age of members cared for.....	44.09	Average age of members deceased.....	58.07
Civil War.....	74.08	Civil War.....	83.13
Spanish-American War.....	53.75	Spanish-American War.....	56.09
World War.....	36.21	World War.....	35

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1918

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain					Loss												
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped from roll	Death	Transfer to Government Hospital for Insane	Total
							Appointment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
Dec. 31:																								
1867.....	15	14	1	69	84	212	1	---	201	6	5	213	---	---	---	---	32	---	12	---	17	5	---	66
1868.....	25	23	3	111	137	417	1	---	194	37	40	272	---	---	---	9	124	---	15	61	14	---	223	
Nov. 30:																								
1869.....	51	46	4	165	215	610	---	---	304	64	48	416	---	---	---	8	62	---	15	142	17	1	245	
1870.....	89	89	10	369	468	859	5	1	399	66	29	500	4	---	---	17	112	---	34	152	28	5	352	
1871.....	82	110	15	459	584	919	---	---	311	59	38	408	---	---	---	23	62	---	31	116	40	1	273	
1872.....	47	109	21	428	558	948	1	2	237	50	15	305	2	1	---	30	113	---	50	184	46	2	428	
1873.....	45	105	19	400	524	925	---	1	218	147	37	403	1	---	---	40	127	---	67	60	31	2	328	
1874.....	56	124	16	482	622	1,006	---	---	243	123	42	408	---	---	---	74	101	---	74	53	41	4	347	
1875.....	60	117	19	508	644	1,003	---	---	215	98	31	344	---	---	---	95	111	---	28	57	34	2	327	
Dec. 31:																								
1876.....	71	140	16	554	710	1,114	1	---	290	111	37	439	2	---	---	48	110	---	14	76	33	4	287	
1877.....	90	156	16	678	850	1,307	---	---	300	132	46	478	---	---	---	45	184	---	22	102	49	4	406	
1878.....	101	152	14	691	857	1,299	1	---	224	125	48	398	1	---	---	32	235	---	22	76	47	---	413	
June 30:																								
1879.....	97	144	18	717	879	1,052	---	---	96	54	19	166	---	---	---	19	111	---	5	43	28	1	207	
1880.....	102	160	17	691	868	1,247	1	1	236	141	25	404	1	1	---	50	170	---	23	120	58	6	429	
1881.....	118	168	13	731	912	1,205	2	---	215	103	67	387	2	---	---	41	109	---	14	63	56	1	286	
1882.....	101	217	14	729	960	1,343	---	---	238	114	70	422	---	---	---	96	113	6	14	71	72	---	372	
1883.....	100	255	10	848	1,113	1,796	---	---	299	247	96	642	---	---	---	72	101	5	19	182	66	16	461	
1884.....	137	286	15	1,016	1,317	2,088	---	---	417	252	69	738	---	---	---	61	92	10	34	227	84	12	520	
1885.....	134	311	44	1,256	1,581	2,347	---	---	515	109	27	651	---	---	---	19	101	28	34	36	96	5	319	
1886.....	141	350	8	1,357	1,715	2,054	---	---	264	63	22	349	---	---	---	51	99	23	27	27	103	16	346	
1887.....	238	337	14	1,388	1,759	2,282	2	---	461	80	31	574	---	---	---	125	79	11	29	48	118	8	418	
1888.....	390	480	12	1,564	2,028	2,425	---	1	405	106	50	562	---	1	---	46	92	14	10	43	118	14	338	
1889.....	391	480	16	1,668	2,164	2,716	1	---	435	124	68	628	1	---	---	87	180	12	15	64	104	11	474	
1890.....	282	547	20	1,882	2,420	2,981	---	---	456	167	116	739	---	---	---	83	169	18	23	58	108	28	487	
1891.....	266	600	23	1,955	2,562	3,433	1	---	365	160	113	639	---	1	---	87	185	---	39	123	123	7	555	
1892.....	239	547	17	1,976	2,561	3,264	6	---	331	213	146	696	2	---	2	91	552	---	22	131	112	---	912	
1893.....	233	446	24	2,012	2,471	3,266	2	---	382	337	193	914	1	---	---	157	454	---	28	115	130	---	885	
1894.....	274	368	26	2,089	2,491	3,169	---	---	369	282	137	788	---	---	2	132	237	---	40	90	118	---	628	
1895.....	222	314	17	2,230	2,608	3,861	1	---	382	239	123	745	1	---	---	157	268	---	47	71	131	---	675	
1896.....	237	326	16	2,313	2,595	3,406	---	---	363	244	188	795	---	---	---	144	225	---	27	95	136	10	637	

1897	251	356	25	2,365	2,769	3,429			286	206	168	660			1	154	187	27	86	151		606	
1898	276	376	24	2,364	2,798	3,518			283	206	206	695				199	218	37	126	152		767	
1899	405	396	34	2,282	2,744	3,364			258	158	162	578				196	242	53	110	174	33	882	
1900	198	414	28	2,113	2,594	3,263			281	253	173	707				134	150	47	110	168	9	617	
1901	211	430	27	2,192	2,648	3,222	1		271	214	91	577	1			67	216	27	113	177	16	308	
1902	242	423	17	2,146	2,616	3,327			342	247	133	722				184	204	11	81	194	6	680	
1903	246	578	13	2,175	2,686	3,267	1		289	211	119	620	1			81	273	7	76	190		628	
1904	265	496	13	2,181	2,648	3,184	3		235	207	100	545				89	269	9	69	164	17	617	
1905	259	403	14	2,107	2,524	3,189			295	253	74	622				152	259	6	69	229	10	733	
1906	259	397	15	2,053	2,463	3,070			258	283	73	614				118	248	14	71	178		621	
1907	544	435	13	1,967	2,415	3,009	2		212	212	136	560	2			184	288	13	58	193		736	
1908	496	411	15	1,857	2,282	3,044	2		273	349	147	771			1	137	408	11	98	202		857	
1909	553	371	14	1,832	2,218	2,984	6	1	291	392	109	799	3			153	402	13	86	224		881	
1910	514	346	14	1,746	2,106	2,874	1		305	408	57	771	1			103	375	19	99	203		800	
1911	501	329	13	1,730	2,072	2,920	2		292	485	67	846	1			94	475	21	108	204		903	
1912	450	313	13	1,721	2,047	2,868	3		291	489	68	851	2	1		78	562	13	87	188		931	
1913	365	305	15	1,573	1,843	2,543	2	1	206	425	72	706	1	2		68	496	2	102	218		889	
1914	321	302	16	1,489	1,807	2,710	6		263	553	134	956	4	1	1	99	464		126	249		944	
1915	313	251	16	1,536	1,834	2,934	8	1	343	681	135	1,168	8	1		99	666	2	126	231		1,133	
1916	304	292	15	1,438	1,745	2,805	2	3	254	615	130	1,004	4	1		116	767	1	97	238		1,224	
1917	455	271	14	1,336	1,651	2,480	2	1	241	552	103	899	2	2		74	651	2	59	186		976	
1918	433	260	16	1,224	1,500	2,247	4	3	171	483	82	743	6	1		60	543	1	62	175		848	
1919	398	257	111	1,095	1,363	2,066		1	142	438	106	887		1		81	409	1	51	176		719	
1920	356	395	7	947	1,251	1,862			103	263	129	495			11	174	357	1	26	165		729	
1921	358	283	13	934	1,230	1,912			247	322	210	779				183	266		20	105		574	
1922	390	329	20	1,036	1,385	2,404			578	310	178	1,066				248	447	1	56	124		871	
1923	414	464	36	1,067	1,567	2,669	5	1	611	347	178	1,136	3	1		219	587		141	157		1,104	
1924	618	369	52	1,174	1,595	3,410	7	3	1,117	485	243	1,845	6	1		238	868		485	180		1,771	
1925	683	363	50	1,352	1,767	3,826	4	8	1,246	635	306	2,187	3	6		332	1,065		489	206		2,112	
1926	554	371	61	1,364	1,796	4,592	7	4	1,554	949	271	2,774	8	4		238	1,244		1,350	192		3,024	
1927	678	332	66	1,368	1,766	4,928	4	9	1,657	1,382	321	3,360	4	6		256	1,385		1,263	216		3,122	
1928	654	497	67	1,412	1,906	5,498	5	6	1,916	1,458	318	3,692	6	5		324	1,775		1,271	228		3,508	
Total									24,476	18,521	6,775	49,772				6,871	20,982		175	9,883	8,183		47,976

Whole number cared for from date of organization to June 30, 1928, 49,772.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Transportation	Repairs	Farm	Total branch	Clothing	Total
CASH STATEMENT										
From general treasurer.....	\$69,000.00	\$310,000.00	\$152,400.00	\$287,000.00	\$500.00	\$60,000.00	\$17,000.00	\$895,900.00	\$1,699.88	\$897,599.88
Collections.....	2,605.96	11,279.24	1,621.06	1,431.73		370.54	2,166.01	19,474.54	1,360.65	20,835.19
Total.....	71,605.96	321,279.24	154,021.06	288,431.73	500.00	60,370.54	19,166.01	915,374.54	3,060.53	918,435.07
Disbursed.....	69,686.61	316,073.73	149,988.27	287,501.26	236.40	59,971.28	18,849.85	902,307.45	3,037.68	905,345.13
Returned to general treasurer.....	1,919.35	5,205.46	4,032.79	930.47	263.60	399.26	316.16	13,067.09	22.85	13,089.94
COST OF OPERATION										
Paid by treasurer.....	69,686.61	316,073.78	149,988.27	287,501.26	236.40	59,971.28	18,849.85	902,307.45	3,037.68	905,345.13
General Accounting Office settlements.....	37.40		26.95	169.29	178.79			412.43	55.26	467.69
Outstanding liabilities.....	20.40		12.00		80.57			112.97		112.97
Aggregate.....	69,744.41	316,073.78	150,027.22	287,670.55	495.76	59,971.28	18,849.85	902,832.85	3,092.94	905,925.79
Less collections.....	2,605.96	11,279.24	1,621.06	1,431.73		370.54	2,166.01	19,474.54	1,360.65	20,835.19
Net cost.....	67,138.45	304,794.54	148,406.16	286,238.82	495.76	59,600.74	16,683.84	883,358.31	1,732.29	885,090.60
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA										
Personal services.....	46.82	24.30	23.92	182.85		24.23	8.26	310.38	1.70	312.08
Supplies.....	.64	187.51	75.34	16.87	.35	15.94	3.00	299.65	.47	299.18
Equipment.....	.09	4.05	5.84	3.00		2.04	.55	15.57		15.57
Total.....	47.55	215.86	105.10	202.72	.35	42.21	11.81	625.60	1.23	626.83

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.054; supplies, \$0.420; total, \$0.474.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on net expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members, temporarily at post members, and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 19.....	\$58,642.26	Disbursed during year:	
Received from Bureau of Pensions.....	383,832.35	To pensioners.....	\$325,457.79
Canceled checks.....	461.00	To families.....	38,640.50
			\$364,098.29
		Refund.....	118.00
		Transferred to post fund.....	16,438.85
		Balance.....	62,280.47
Total.....	442,935.61	Total.....	442,935.61

Of the above balance \$19,407.30 is standing to the credit of deceased members.

THE RATE AND NUMBER OF PENSIONERS

Rate per month	Number June 30, 1928	Gain		Total	Loss		Number June 30, 1928
		By admission, readmission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
6	11	13		24	15	4	5
6.25	1			1	1		
8	6	3		9	5	2	2
10	4	1	1	6	1		5
12	49	15	1	65	11	49	5
14	3	2		5	4		1
15	36			36	1	34	1
17	17	6		23	15	2	6
18	62			62	1	61	
20	9	104	50	163	71	27	65
24	63	6	2	71	13	49	9
25	15	78	47	140	69	11	60
30	101	179	61	341	151	41	149
40	28	164	108	300	149	27	124
50	306	160	35	501	230	15	256
72	95	41	15	151	47	3	101
75	1			1	1		
80	1			1	1		
.90	1	1		2			2
	811	773	321	1,905	796	316	793

Actual number of pensioners cared for (from total deduct the number gained by change of rate), 1,584.

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward.....	\$5,073.40	Transferred to general post fund.....	\$9,931.32
Stores, rent.....	3,300.00	Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	12,961.12
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	572.53	Repairs.....	2,525.04
Refund account voucher 79, quarter ending September 30, 1927, paid in error (amusements).....	15.00	Miscellaneous.....	2,983.06
Miscellaneous.....	220.13	Posthumous pension fund.....	2,733.66
Posthumous pension fund.....	16,438.85	Posthumous fund, act of June 25, 1910.....	8,789.24
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	9,526.78	Balance.....	10,023.25
Transferred from general post fund.....	14,800.00		
Total.....	49,946.69	Total.....	49,946.69

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount
Cash.....	\$10,023.25	Cash.....	\$5,073.40
Store.....	507.05	Store.....	533.55
Amusement fixtures.....	35,327.86	Amusement fixtures.....	37,188.29
Buildings.....	73,278.24	Buildings.....	73,278.24
Miscellaneous.....	963.91	Miscellaneous.....	1,742.60
Total.....	120,100.31	Total.....	117,816.08
Liabilities.....	9,947.48	Liabilities.....	4,571.19

EMPLOYEES PAID FROM POST FUND

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Carpenter.....	1		\$3.33
Chapel.....	1		288.00
Social hall.....	3		864.00
Baseball.....	1		194.67
Library.....	2	1	1,488.00
Radio operator.....	1		480.00
Choir.....	4	5	1,860.00
Theater.....	5		1,468.50
Superintendent post fund office, clerk.....	1		1,100.00
Do.....		1	25.67
Building custodian.....	1		60.00
Total.....	20	7	7,832.17

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments, and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games, and library free of charge.

There were given 593 band concerts, 200 motion-picture shows, 32 baseball games, 27 dances, and 99 theatrical performances.

Under this head there was expended for:

200 motion-picture shows.....	\$1,329.50
Books, etc., and clubroom equipment.....	1,696.71
Total.....	3,026.21

The expenditures from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$12,961.12, a per capita of \$9.1792, figured on the average present.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital is divided into 26 wards, and has a capacity for 938 patients. Quarters for convalescents provided for 172 patients. Combination barracks have a capacity of 84. There are 18 assistant surgeons and 62 female trained nurses. On June 30 there were 579 patients in hospital, 107 sick in quarters, and 46 members at sick call. There were 359 vacant beds in hospital on that date.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year, were as follows:

	June 30, 1927	June 30, 1928
Average present sick in hospital.....	573	551
Average present sick in quarters.....	105	123
Total average sick.....	678	674
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	49.56	47.73
Number treated in hospital.....	3,120	3,567
Number treated at sick call.....	1,384	1,679
Died in the home.....	204	211
Died while absent from the home.....	15	19
Total deaths.....	219	230
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	43.83	41.83
Average age at death.....	57.26	58.07
Number of insane cared for.....	137	194
Number of blind cared for, hospital.....	31	17
Total patients in the Government Hospital for the Insane.....	8	8
Number of insane present June 30.....	37	38
Number of blind present June 30.....	26	15
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	832	868
Number of tubercular patients June 30.....	260	176

Causes of deaths during the year and number of deaths from each cause, 1927-28:

Accidental, fall on floor.....	1
Aortic insufficiency.....	1
Accidental, by train.....	1
Accidental, by automobile.....	2
Accidental, scalded by steam or hot water.....	1
Arteriosclerosis, general.....	22
Anemia from loss of blood.....	1
Aortitis, syphilitic psychosis.....	1
Alcoholism, acute.....	4
Addison's disease.....	1
Bronchitis, acute.....	1
Carcinoma of rectum.....	1
Carcinoma of gall bladder.....	1
Coronary sclerosis.....	1
Cardiac dilatation, acute.....	4
Cholecystectomy.....	1
Carcinoma of intestines.....	1
Cerebral edema.....	1
Cirrhosis of liver.....	2
Diabetes mellitus.....	1
Dilatation of heart, acute.....	1
Epilepsy.....	1
Encephalitis, suppurative meningo.....	1
Extension of hyper. into heart.....	1
Endocarditis, ulcerative.....	1
Fracture of skull.....	1
Gangrene of left leg.....	1
Glioma of brain.....	2
Gangrene, moist, right lower limb.....	1
Gastroenterostomy.....	1
Gangrene, right lung.....	1
Hemorrhage, cerebral.....	9
Heart block, complete.....	2

Causes of deaths during the year and number of deaths from each cause, 1927-28—Con.

Intestinal obstructive gangrene of bowels.....	1
Intestinal obstruction.....	1
Lymphatic leukemia, acute.....	1
Myelitis, transverse.....	1
Myocarditis, chronic.....	12
Meningitis, tuberculous.....	2
Mediastinal tumor.....	1
Nephritis, acute, diffuse.....	2
Nephritis, chronic.....	1
Nephritis, interstitial.....	1
Nephritis, parenchymatous.....	3
Oedema of lungs.....	1
Pneumonia, hypostatic.....	6
Pneumonia, broncho.....	4
Pneumonia, lobar bilat.....	7
Pancarditis.....	1
Pulmonary thrombosis.....	1
Spastic paraplegia.....	1
Suppurative meningo encephalitis.....	1
Suicide (hanging).....	1
Tuberculosis, left kidney.....	1
Tuberculosis, pulmonary F. A., active.....	79
Tumor, malignant, mediastinal.....	1
Transverse myelitis.....	1
Uremia, acute.....	2
Ulcer perforating stomach.....	1
Valvular heart disease, mitral insufficiency.....	5
Died in home:	
Members and temporarily at post.....	209
Civilians.....	2
Total.....	211

Repairs

General carpentry, plumbing, painting, etc.:

Headquarters building.....	\$689.59
Main building.....	8,404.05
Hospital, general.....	4,253.53
Hospital, annex No. 1.....	1,312.54
Chapel.....	6.69
Laundry and dry cleaning plant.....	981.25
Library building.....	637.86
Memorial hall.....	450.79
Social hall.....	313.94
Fire engine house and quarters for chief engineer.....	2.75
Nurses' quarters.....	77.58
Home Company—	
No. 6.....	105.59
No. 7.....	34.09
No. 8.....	245.77
No. 9.....	161.29
Quartermaster storehouse.....	77.44
Garage building.....	12.80
Home store building.....	175.24
Carpenter and paint shop building.....	9.23
Pavilion at band stand.....	5.43
Power house.....	1,291.35
Treasurer's quarters.....	94.97
Governor's quarters.....	355.73
Quartermaster's quarters.....	64.59
Chaplain's and treasurer's clerks quarters.....	113.05

General carpentry, plumbing, painting, etc.—Continued.

Cook's quarters.....	\$57.84
Adjutant's quarters.....	89.18
Surgeon's and commissary of subsistence's quarters.....	38.08
Garage at surgeon's quarters.....	13.15
First and second assistant surgeons' quarters.....	15.40
Third and fourth assistant surgeons' quarters.....	4.82
Assistant surgeons' quarters—	
Rear annex No. 1.....	11.09
Rear annex No. 1.....	11.78
North gate.....	478.06
Plumber's quarters, north gate.....	312.77
Governor's clerks' quarters.....	12.48
Employees' quarters, double.....	99.08
Do.....	84
Employees quarters, triple.....	14.56
Band stand.....	9.97
Stables.....	62.65
Hospital executive clerk's quarters.....	97.03
Catholic chaplain's quarters.....	8.30
Greenhouse.....	415.99
Dormitory, female employees.....	3.64
Miscellaneous repairs to buildings.....	10,555.27
Home grounds.....	1,949.25
Total.....	34,138.43

FARM

Stable.—Average number of public animals kept during the year: 6 horses, appraised value, \$486. Number and kind of public vehicles in use, 4 motor ambulances, 4 motor trucks, 1 dump cart, and 6 farm wagons.

OPERATION OF DAIRY

No dairy kept; 127,846 gallons of milk were purchased during the year, at 26.5 cents per gallon.

FARM AND GARDEN

Cost of operations

	Average number		Expended for		Total
	Teams	Employees	Services	Supplies, etc.	
Nonproductive:					
Upkeep, roads, cemetery, etc.....	1½	24	\$8,067.53	\$5,214.59	\$13,282.12
Teaming, camp work, etc.....	1½	23	6,572.16	1,271.47	7,843.63

HEATING, LIGHTING AND POWER PLANT, WATER, AND GAS

The steam plant consists of and was installed: 7 Babcock & Wilcox water-tube boilers, 231 horsepower on 6 and 400 horsepower on 1; 2 installed in 1895, 2 in 1899, 2 in 1912, and 1 in 1922; 1 Worthington fire pump, duplex, 18 by 10 by 12, steam driven, installed in 1894; 1 Prescott boiler feed pump, 12 by 7 by 12, steam driven, installed in 1913; 1 Worthington tube cleaning pump, 5½ by 3½ by 5, steam driven, installed in 1894; 1 Worthington test and boiler feed pump, 6 by 4 by 6, installed in 1894; 1 Worthington pet valve boiler feed pump, 7½ by 4 by 10, installed in 1919; 2 vacuum pumps, 10 by 12 by 20, installed in 1922; 1 boiler feed pump, 12 by 8 by 14, installed in 1922; 1 boiler feed water heater and 3 domestic feed water heaters, each 500 horsepower, installed in 1922. National hand stokers under all boilers, installed as follows: 2 in 1919, 2 in 1920, 2 in 1921, and 1 in 1922.

The lighting system consists of and was installed: 1 Ideal engine, 19 by 18, high speed, installed in 1907; 1 Milwaukee Electric Co. generator, 150 kilowatts, 250 volts, 600 amperes, 225 revolutions per minute, direct current; installed about 1907; 1 Crocker-Wheeler equalizer, 20.1 kilowatts, 125 volts, 125 amperes; installed about 1907; 1 Milwaukee Electric Co. equalizer, 18 kilowatts, 125 volts, 144 amperes, installed about 1907; 2 Corliss engines, 20 by 42, direct current to generate 375 kilowatts each and one 7-panel switchboard, installed in 1922.

The refrigeration and ice plant consists of and was installed: 1 Vilter, single acting, vertical type, 5 by 8 ammonia compressor; 1 Vilter, double pipe, 15 feet long, 1¼-inch pipe, ammonia condenser, together with brine tanks and extension tanks driven by a 5-horsepower slow-speed direct-current motor, installed about 1908; 1 double-acting, horizontal, electric-motor belt-driven ammonia compressor, size 9½ by 18; one 2-pipe brine cooler; one ice tank consisting of eighty-one 300-pound ice cans; 2 brine circulating pumps, directly connected to motor; one air blower, size 5 by 7, belt-driven; one core sucker; one double pipe, 2-stand, ammonia condenser; installed in 1923 in hospital annex No. 1 building.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees:		Oils, other than fuel.....	\$391.95
Steam plant.....	\$13,149.68	Repairs, including parts.....	4,653.97
Lighting plant.....	5,734.83	New units of machinery purchased.....	None.
Refrigeration and ice plant.....	960.00	All other supplies.....	2,910.33
Total.....	19,844.51	Total.....	110,468.88
Fuel.....	82,658.12		

Fuel: 13,631 tons bituminous coal were purchased at \$5.99 per ton; year prior 14,390,888 tons were purchased at \$5.87 per ton; 180 tons anthracite coal purchased at \$13.85 per ton.

Electric current: Electric current produced, 899,800 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.0122; total cost of current, \$8,455.47.

Gas: Gas was used for cooking; 6,846,100 cubic feet purchased at \$0.579 per 1000 cubic feet (average); year prior, 7,125,300 cubic feet purchased at \$0.58 per 1,000 cubic feet (average).

Water: Daily average consumption of water was 274,850 gallons; purchased 100,595,191 gallons at \$0.0936 per 1,000 gallons; prior year purchased 110,313,600 gallons at \$0.09 per 1,000 gallons.

Ice: Capacity of ice plant, 25 tons refrigeration and 20 tons ice; 847.45 tons produced at a cost of \$1.08 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY-CLEANING PLANT

Laundry machinery and equipment consists of 2 Troy mangles, 3 Troy extractors, 6 Troy washing machines, 2 American driers, 2 sleeve ironers, 6 pressing machines, motors, and accessories, all of which were installed in 1908, 1924, 1926, and 1927.

Dry-cleaning equipment consists of: 1 Bowser gasoline purifying system, installed in 1928; 1 Hoffman pressing machine, 1 each National Aniline Chemical Co. extractor, washing machine, dust wheel, gasoline still, pumps, motors, and accessories, all of which were installed in 1908, 1924, 1926, and 1927.

Cost of operation

	Employees		Amount for services	Supplies	Parts	Total
	Male	Female				
Laundry.....	3	19	\$8,374.90	\$1,342.84	\$341.81	\$10,059.55
Dry cleaning plant.....	2	0	1,260.00	231.34	17.98	1,509.32
Total.....	5	19	9,634.90	1,574.18	359.79	11,568.87

Pieces laundered, 1,259,137; cost per piece, \$0.0079; cost per capita, \$7.68. Pieces dry cleaned, 23,925; cost per piece, \$0.063; cost per capita, \$1.15.

Clothing

Articles	Issued for use	Con-demned	In storehouses, June 30, 1928		
			New	Reissued	Value
Blouses.....	None.	None.	None.	None.	-----
Caps.....	None.	None.	None.	None.	-----
Coats:					
Dress.....	972	1,106	128	286	\$1,371.26
Great.....	92	34	None.	185	462.50
Drawers:					
Heavy.....	1,083	968	516	426	415.53
Light.....	1,266	1,516	213	None.	57.51
Hats:					
Wool.....	1,272	1,025	257	108	528.70
Straw.....	None.	None.	None.	None.	-----
Shirts:					
Chambray.....	1,085	2,113	806	163	506.20
Cotton.....	231	291	10	None.	10.30
Shoes.....	424	1,917	228	37	593.88
Slippers.....	255	313	175	None.	234.50
Socks:					
Cotton.....	6,941	9,471	2,464	30	272.54
Wool.....	None.	1,174	None.	None.	-----
Suspenders.....	444	586	216	None.	49.68
Trousers.....	2,457	1,788	585	168	1,953.48
Undershirts:					
Cotton.....	1,670	1,345	660	24	174.72
Wool.....	978	951	306	439	591.62
Vests.....	674	971	311	118	632.11

Value of clothing condemned, \$24,717.16; value of clothing received from general depot, \$18,188.56.

Employment

EMPLOYEES UNDER THE GENERAL FUND AND AMOUNT PAID DURING THE YEAR

	Officers	Members and nonmembers	Total
Average daily employed.....	23	581	604
PRIOR YEAR			
Average daily employed.....	23	730	753
Total amount paid.....	\$60,717.44	\$365,782.16	\$426,499.60

NONMEMBER EMPLOYEES

Average number of men.....	171	Laundry employees.....	24
Women.....	159	Mess stewards.....	2
Total.....	330	Machinist.....	1
Bakers.....	2	Matron.....	1
Aides, occupational therapy.....	6	Musician, chief.....	1
Aides, physiotherapy.....	3	Musicians.....	8
Builders and carpenters.....	2	Nurse, chief.....	1
Guard sergeant.....	1	Nurses, women.....	54
Guard private.....	1	Meat cutter.....	1
Clerks.....	35	Painters.....	4
Cooks.....	5	Plumbers.....	2
Dietitians.....	2	Quartermaster sergeant.....	1
Dishwashers.....	3	Seamstresses.....	2
Druggists.....	2	Shoemaker.....	1
Electrician.....	1	Stablemen.....	2
Engineer, chief.....	1	Tailor.....	1
Engineers.....	4	Truck drivers.....	3
Firemen.....	7	Tinsmith.....	1
Gardener.....	1	Technicians.....	6
Hospital stewards.....	2	Waiters.....	52
Janitors.....	3	Ward attendants.....	33
Laborers.....	47	Watchman.....	1
		Total.....	330

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general camp and hospital. In addition to the general mess hall, one barrack is equipped with a combination kitchen and dining room for aged and infirm members.

The mess hall capacity of the branch at one sitting is as follows: General mess hall, 707; combination messes, 80; noncommissioned officers' and clerks' mess, 65; hospital general mess, 264; hospital annex No. 1, 264; nurses' mess, 75; total, 1,455.

Average number of persons served by waiter at each sitting in above messes is, respectively, 38, 23, 23, 25, 14, and 13.

Average sittings daily, average number served daily, average number of employees, and cost of rations

	Sittings	Number served	Dining room	Kitchen	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
General mess.....	1	724	30	11	\$0.3353	\$0.3138
Combination mess.....	1	68	3	3	.3456	.3413
Hospital general mess.....	2	251	16	12	.4322	.4119
Hospital annex No. 1 mess.....	2	161	18	12	.6218	.6883
Noncommissioned officers' and clerks' mess.....	1	47	3	2	.2921	.2796
Nurses' mess.....	1	68	7	3	.3497	.3647
Hospital steward mess.....	1	1	0	1	.4797	.2903

The average daily consumption per man on some of the food articles was as follows: Bread, 9.39 ounces; meat and fish, 15.63 ounces; coffee and tea, 1.31 ounces; milk, 1.58 pints; cheese 0.20 ounces; oleomargarine and butter, 1.34 ounces; sugar, 3.64 ounces; cereal, 0.8 ounces; and vegetables, 24.79 ounces.

Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same, during the year

Article	Quantity	Amount	Article	Quantity	Amount
Bacon..... pounds.....	39, 184	\$7, 543. 50	Milk..... gallons.....	127, 845½	\$33, 879. 07
Beef, dressed..... do.....	174, 876	28, 083. 67	Onions..... pounds.....	45, 957	1, 449. 86
Eggs..... dozen.....	70, 446	21, 197. 10	Potatoes..... do.....	549, 570	11, 473. 58
Fish, fresh..... pounds.....	23, 581	4, 127. 50	Sugar..... do.....	135, 430	8, 152. 49
Ham..... do.....	34, 919	6, 774. 42	Beans, navy..... do.....	13, 722	925. 07
Flour..... do.....	240, 019	7, 713. 81	Beans, lima..... do.....	4, 024	299. 64
Cheese..... do.....	7, 774¾	1, 856. 80	Rice..... do.....	6, 548	308. 03
Oleomargarine and butter..... pounds.....	53, 490	8, 861. 54	Apples, evaporated..... do.....	2, 887	321. 59
Coffee..... do.....	51, 625	12, 349. 57	Peaches, evaporated..... do.....	3, 888½	409. 49
Pork shoulders..... do.....	37, 346	5, 353. 99	Pork, salt..... do.....	29, 592	4, 331. 91

Bakery—Operation and average cost per pound of bread, etc., produced

	Pounds of flour and meal used	Pounds of bread, etc., produced	Cost per pound
Bread.....	181,694	266,880	\$0.0272
Cake.....	24,685	38,036½	.0848
Pies.....	6,005	19,627	.1043
Corn bread.....	5,895	7,435	.0745
Total.....	218,279	334,978½	.0393

Average pounds of bread produced from 100 pounds of flour 148½; average number of employees, 5; amount paid employees, \$3,024; cost of fuel, \$444.24; total, \$3,468.24.

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 73 persons, and is open daily between the hours of 8 and 11.30 a. m., 1 and 4.30 p. m., 5.45 and 8.30 p. m.; 3,224 copies of newspapers and 16,839 copies of periodicals were supplied; 748 volumes new books purchased during year. Total number of volumes, 15,962.

There are 3 persons employed in the library; cost of services, \$1,488; 23,402 books were circulated or read.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 400 persons; 4 choristers were employed; regular services were held 2 times per week; average attendance, 75; other services, 3 per week. The chaplain officiated at 60 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital 7 times per week. Service radiocast Sunday from chapel.

Catholic.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 400 persons; 4 choristers were employed; regular services were held 8 times per week; average attendance 350. Evening services twice a week during Lent, and morning services on holy days. The chaplain officiated at 54 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital 24 times per week, and when called.

CEMETERY

There were 114 burials in the cemetery during the year; total number buried there, 6,087; total capacity of the cemetery, 16,589 graves.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 9.5; paid from general fund, \$6,759.50; clothing, \$237.50; subsistence, \$1,043.12; total, \$8,040.12.

CHARLES M. PEARSALL,
Governor.

COST OF ELECTRIC CURRENT PRODUCED, FISCAL YEAR 1928

1. Average steam consumption per horsepower hour from indicator card, 22.55 pound, or average steam consumption per kilowatt per hour, 38.5 pound.

2. Average kilowatt generated per hour: Total kilowatts produced during entire year, 899,800; number of hours in year (leap year), 8,784; average kilowatts generated per hour, 102.43.

3. Total steam for lighting plant: Average kilowatts generated per hour, 102.43, multiplied by pounds of steam per kilowatt per hour, 38.5 equals pounds of steam consumed by electric plant per hour, 3,943.56. Steam consumption per hour, 3,943.56 pounds, multiplied by number of hours in the year, 8,784, equals pounds of steam charged to electric plant for the year, 34,640,231.04.

4. (a) Cost of coal required to produce total steam charged to electric plant: Estimated cost of coal to produce the steam is derived from evaporation tests

ran on boilers, which showed that 1,000 pounds steam (based on the cost of \$5.99 per ton of coal) can be produced for \$0.275; 34,640,231.04 pounds steam at \$0.275 per M, \$9,526.06.

(b) Cost of water consumed in total steam for electric plant (based on 1-pound of water equaling 1-pound of steam): 34,640,231.04 pounds steam equals 34,640,231.04 pounds water; 1 cubic foot of water weighs 62.37 pounds; 100 cubic feet of water costs \$0.07; 34,640,231.04 divided by 62.37 equals 555,414.96 cubic feet; 555,414.96 times \$0.07 equals cost of water, \$388.70.

5. Cost of production:

Labor:

One-tenth of 1 chief engineer, class 200.....	\$240.00
One-third of 1 engineer, class 125.....	500.00
One-third of 3 engineers, class 115.....	1,380.00
One-third of 3 firemen, class 65.....	768.72
One-third of 3 firemen, class 85.....	1,360.00
One-third of 8 laborers, class 30.....	414.33
One-third of 10 laborers, class 40.....	1,071.78
	<u>\$5,734.83</u>
Cost of lubricating oils.....	130.65
Cost of repairs, including parts.....	90.61
Cost of other supplies.....	42.00
One-half cost of coal ¹	4,763.03
One-half cost of water ¹	194.35
Total cost of current produced.....	10,955.47
Cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.0122.....	

One-half cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.0122.

RECORD OF FORMER OFFICERS JUNE 30, 1927 TO JUNE 30, 1928

Chaplain: Capt. Charles S. Vail, June 1, 1927, to October 1, 1927.

¹ Cost of coal and water is credited electric plant as the steam from the engines is all used for low pressure heating purposes.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE EASTERN BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Branch established 1866 by authority act of Congress approved March 21, 1866. Located in Kennebec County, about 5 miles from Augusta, Me. Post-office address: National Soldiers' Home, Me. The reservation comprises 1,884 acres; 62 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 10 miles of roadway; 500 acres used for farming; 560 acres of woods; and 762 acres of pasture. A dairy is operated with 37 milch cows—29 other cattle in herd. There are 51 buildings on the reservation, including 7 barracks, 6 brick and 1 frame, maximum capacity 948 members; 2 hospital buildings, both frame, maximum capacity 341 patients; and 42 other buildings, including storehouses, mess hall, power house, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 4 are brick and 38 frame. Land acquired by purchase cost \$23,900; original cost of buildings, \$812,800.09; appraised value, \$530,900.

Utilities

Heating: With 7 boilers, 555 horse power, using 4,275 tons coal at \$9.70.....	\$41,852.25
Gas: None used for any purpose.....	
Lighting: Electric, purchased 222,200 kilowatt-hours at 0.0426+ per kilowatt-hour.....	9,477.00
Water: Purchased 54,992,760 gallons at \$0.1117+ per 1,000 gallons.....	6,243.30
Ice: Cut 1,600 tons at \$0.297+ per ton.....	475.25
Laundry: Laundered 632,337 pieces at \$0.00884+ per piece.....	5,590.04
Dry-cleaning plant: Cleaned 29,448 pieces at \$0.05719+ per piece.....	1,684.39

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1928	Fiscal year 1927
Average present:		
Hospital patients.....	153	149
Domiciliary members.....	550	503
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital patients.....	\$2.8098	\$2.7922
Domiciliary members.....	\$1.3165	\$1.3699
Cost food per person per day subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	\$0.4195	\$0.4091
General mess.....	\$0.3448	\$0.3491
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	237	233
General mess.....	565	513
Average present and absent.....	950	869
Whole number cared for.....	1,830	1,650
Per capita cost per year.....	\$600.54	\$618.98

Return for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT		PRESENT—Continued	
For duty:			
Governor.....	1	Sick in quarters, members.....	113
Treasurer.....	1	Total present:	
Surgeon.....	1	Commissioned officers.....	10
Quartermaster.....	1	Noncommissioned officers.....	21
Commissary of subsistence.....	1	Members.....	684
Adjutant and inspector.....	1	Aggregate:	
Chaplain.....	1	This return (including temporarily at post).....	705
Assistant surgeons.....	3	Last return (including temporarily at post).....	627
Total.....	10		
Sergeant major.....	1		
Quartermaster sergeant.....	1	ABSENT	
Commissary sergeant.....	1	With leave:	
Hospital stewards.....	3	Commissioned officers.....	2
Company commanders.....	5	Members.....	258
Company sergeants.....	7	Sick in Government hospital for insane, members.....	15
Firing squad.....	1	Without leave, members.....	34
Guard sergeants.....	2	Total absent:	
Total.....	21	Commissioned officers.....	2
Members subject to detail.....	216	Members.....	307
On extra duty, members.....	206	Aggregate:	
Sick in hospital, members.....	149	This return.....	307
		Last return.....	250

112 NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS

PRESENT AND ABSENT

Commissioned officers.....	12
Noncommissioned officers.....	21
Members.....	991
Aggregate:	
This return (including temporarily at post).....	1,012
Last return (including temporarily at post).....	877

GAIN

Appointment (officers).....	4
Transfer (officers).....	1
Admission, Civil War.....	20
Admission, other service.....	409
Readmission.....	478
Transfer.....	46
Total.....	953

LOSS

Resignation (officers).....	2
Transfer (officers).....	3
Transfer.....	102
Discharge.....	413
Dishonorable discharge.....	2
Dropped from roll.....	239
Death, Civil War.....	43
Death, other service.....	19
Total.....	818

MISCELLANEOUS

Changes:	
From present to absent.....	1,893
From absent to present.....	1,836
Total.....	3,729
Total beds in barracks.....	948
Vacant.....	534
Total beds in hospital for patients.....	341
Vacant.....	192

MISCELLANEOUS—continued

Members present and absent June 30, 1928, having service other than Civil War.....	874
Colored members present and absent June 30, 1928.....	8

AVERAGES

Average present.....	703
Average present and absent.....	950
Whole number cared for.....	1,830
Average temporarily at post.....	23
Average number member employees.....	224

AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED

Members.....	703
Civilian employees.....	100
Total.....	803

WHAT WAR

Civil.....	231
Spanish-American.....	783
World War.....	816
Total.....	1,830

WHAT SERVICE

Army.....	1,639
Marine Corps.....	28
Navy.....	163
Total.....	1,830

OFFENSES

Major: Penal offenses.....	3
Minor:	
Absence without leave.....	123
Drunkenness.....	343
Disorderly conduct.....	8
Total.....	474
Total offenses.....	477

Ages

Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number
20.....	2	39.....	54	58.....	36	77.....	6
21.....	2	40.....	58	59.....	49	78.....	3
22.....	3	41.....	46	60.....	37	79.....	8
23.....	3	42.....	30	61.....	41	80.....	18
24.....	4	43.....	20	62.....	26	81.....	25
25.....	10	44.....	28	63.....	14	82.....	21
26.....	6	45.....	18	64.....	19	83.....	17
27.....	12	46.....	9	65.....	17	84.....	25
28.....	28	47.....	30	66.....	13	85.....	31
29.....	31	48.....	27	67.....	9	86.....	14
30.....	21	49.....	43	68.....	5	87.....	14
31.....	35	50.....	48	69.....	6	88.....	3
32.....	57	51.....	72	70.....	11	89.....	8
33.....	46	52.....	46	71.....	8	90.....	5
34.....	50	53.....	50	72.....	9	91.....	2
35.....	56	54.....	50	73.....	3	92.....	2
36.....	53	55.....	42	74.....	4	97.....	1
37.....	51	56.....	51	75.....	1	99.....	1
38.....	65	57.....	51	76.....	1		

Total.....	1,830
Average age members cared for:	
Civil War.....	81.86
Spanish-American War.....	55.55
World War.....	36.54

Average age members deceased:	
Civil War.....	83.67
Spanish-American War.....	58.00
World War.....	35.14

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1928

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain					Loss												
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped from roll	Death	Transfer to Government Hospital for Insane	Total
							Appointment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
Dec. 31:																								
1867	53	19	7	179	201	319	5		69	10		84	1	2		1	24				1		29	
1868	36	17	3	76	91	292			67		5	72				152	30			12	4		198	
Nov. 30:																								
1869	33	52	6	307	393	582	5	1	250	16	218	490	3			7	73		1	11	11	1	107	
1870	43	90	14	381	482	809	2	1	176	59	7	245	3	1		7	96		14	54	13		188	
1871	50	109	17	380	499	883		1	298	76	8	383				47	107		21	56	23		254	
1872	51	127	11	371	511	797			218	53	9	280		1		23	137		25	66	22		274	
1873	19	140	10	414	570	859	1		228	76	35	340	2	1		30	46		18	71	18	3	189	
1874	20	173	24	551	750	1,019			253	37	46	336		1		33	86		4	60	23	6	213	
1875	20	123	24	575	655	1,024			169	53	32	254				32	208		20	84	26	2	372	
Dec. 31:																								
1876	50	124	21	599	729	1,033			226	144	22	392				36	80		5	76	40		237	
1877	75	153	16	703	859	1,235			287	90	24	401				38	138		7	56	31	2	272	
1878	90	161	24	836	1,044	1,351			267	96	23	388				45	92		6	47	45	9	244	
June 30:																								
1879	98	167	29	901	1,098	1,228			105	35	12	152				20	69		3	19	22	3	136	
1880	86	174	33	840	1,075	1,391			222	83	29	334				24	249		7	55	60	21	416	
1881	90	201	37	795	1,050	1,362	1		216	106	18	341				22	123		6	46	65		262	
1882	114	263	25	939	1,212	1,536			275	113	48	436				51	124			35	58		268	
1883	83	285	36	991	1,378	1,670	2		293	279	54	628	2			78	279		7	54	66	8	494	
1884	95	331	38	1,098	1,441	2,592	1		379	121	41	542				26	325		40	79	76	28	574	
1885	100	350	18	1,262	1,614	2,621	1		440	162	11	614		1		10	162	9	23	51	75		331	
1886	121	517	14	1,312	1,706	2,111	1		372	74	10	457				18	182	1	18	57	107		383	
1887	117	537	8	1,385	1,804	2,202	1		381	78	14	474			1	13	142		14	60	95	11	336	
1888	143	560	12	1,462	1,961	2,282		1	339	62	13	416	1	1		16	138	2	4	49	97		308	
1889	154	530	10	1,528	2,042	2,425	2		361	75	13	451	1			12	169	1	13	45	115	15	371	
1890	161	539	12	1,596	2,101	2,431	1		298	65	13	377	1			16	218		19	36	123	17	430	
1891	152	491	15	1,607	2,067	2,594			468	104	21	593				13	210		19	84	113	31	470	
1892	182	413	15	1,553	1,989	2,628			375	105	24	504				11	470	1	33	64	100	15	694	
1893	229	427	9	1,606	2,031	2,740			548	220	38	806				4	468		29	86	105	10	702	
1894	237	418	4	1,687	2,099	2,668			396	193	41	630			1	21	290		34	48	120	10	525	
1895	262	493	5	1,777	2,241	2,878	2		486	196	52	735	2			21	305		37	40	106	13	524	
1896	298	567	16	1,855	2,394	3,033			468	173	38	679				19	303		34	72	122	17	567	
1897	300	519	11	1,951	2,485	3,101	1		482	149	32	664				17	285		20	115	121	13	571	

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1928—Continued

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							Appointment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
June 30—Contd.	311	504	15	2,042	2,529	3,100	1		294	185	61	541	1			29	203		14	104	105	14	470	
1898	323	551	9	2,130	2,631	3,075			222	167	56	445				58	97		10	55	167		387	
1899	326	526	11	2,158	2,698	3,104			283	43	50	416				65	99		12	48	147	15	386	
1900	359	554	8	2,192	2,757	3,179			314	115	32	461				51	110		23	45	174	14	417	
1901	337	575	5	2,188	2,767	3,133	3		252	75	41	371	1			46	98		23	35	137		340	
1902	344	587	3	2,170	2,760	3,129			231	94	11	336				29	97		4	28	186	14	358	
1903	333	502	4	2,187	2,793	3,141			264	87	19	370				32	127		3	25	198	12	397	
1904	373	597	5	2,065	2,667	3,107	1		267	81	14	363			1	68	158		2	35	216		481	
1905	317	696	23	1,980	2,639	3,093	2		277	160	28	467	1		1	34	157		9	58	197		457	
1906	403	656	20	1,947	2,623	3,108	1		250	165	56	474	1			52	188		16	60	223		540	
1907	389	673	24	1,798	2,496	3,061			255	191	47	493				65	228		18	48	272		631	
1908	439	631	30	1,835	2,496	3,092	4		379	239	40	662				52	256		28	44	264		644	
1909	484	618	37	1,737	2,392	3,007	2		290	234	33	559				30	331		22	65	313		764	
1910	470	573	30	1,647	2,254	2,877	2		302	296	34	634	1	1		34	299		40	92	246		713	
1911	443	524	34	1,479	2,033	2,683	2		230	263	24	519	1			61	325		45	109	272		813	
1912	402	525	29	1,289	1,843	2,382	4	1	168	321	18	512	3	2		38	250		1	119	192		605	
1913	411	512	15	1,232	1,758	2,314	1		207	309	20	537	1			55	269			89	185		599	
1914	335	456	22	1,220	1,698	2,321	4		263	321	18	606	3		1	70	256			111	204		645	
1915	448	441	20	1,203	1,664	2,211	4	1	213	288	29	535	4	1		51	268			106	205		635	
1916	445	419	17	1,092	1,528	2,045	2	1	164	278	24	469	1	1	1	40	259		1	90	198		593	
1917	448	421	11	1,003	1,435	1,840	3	1	128	232	24	388	1	3		29	229			63	157		482	
1918	372	401	9	897	1,307	1,765	2		104	242	59	407	2	1		36	220			58	155		472	
1919	376	383	13	845	1,241	1,639			109	176	61	346		1		108	172			44	185		518	
1920	330	354	10	740	1,104	1,515	2	2	137	194	63	394		1	1	59	233			52	98		442	
1921	302	317	12	726	1,055	1,517	1	1	190	207	47	444		1		68	265			48	129		510	
1922	293	309	14	609	930	1,385	2	1	165	180	33	378	2	1		77	248			79	117		521	
1923	274	211	12	582	805	1,362	3		214	240	44	498		3		72	361			51	95		579	
1924	307	175	18	621	814	1,419	4		288	305	43	636	5			88	330			103	84		605	
1925	285	173	21	668	862	1,529	1	1	348	306	42	696		1		84	333			173	71		661	
1926	264	190	27	652	869	1,650	4	2	355	379	48	782	2	3		101	387			212	73		773	
1927	264	215	32	703	950	1,830	4	1	429	478	46	953	2	3		102	413		2	239	62		818	
1928																								
Total							86	16	17,004	9,995	2,116	29,115	48	31	6	5	2,647	12,897	14	754	4,176	7,330	304	28,122

Whole number cared for from date of organization to June 30, 1928, 29,115.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Transportation	Repairs	Farm	Total branch	Clothing	Total
CASH STATEMENT										
From general treasurer.....	\$57,500.00	\$124,000.00	\$107,000.00	\$72,000.00	\$500.00	\$34,700.00	\$25,800.00	\$421,500.00	\$1,682.13	\$423,182.13
Collections.....	2,153.60	12,563.90	508.73	172.63	-----	137.00	4,649.19	20,185.05	610.72	23,795.77
Total.....	59,653.60	136,563.90	107,508.73	72,172.63	500.00	34,837.00	30,449.19	441,685.05	2,292.85	443,977.90
Disbursed.....	59,459.82	135,781.42	107,367.77	71,827.42	499.00	34,834.60	29,933.75	439,703.78	2,292.85	441,996.63
Returned to general treasurer.....	193.78	782.48	140.96	345.21	1.00	2.40	515.44	1,981.27	-----	1,981.27
COST OF OPERATION										
Paid by treasurer.....	59,459.82	135,781.42	107,367.77	71,827.42	499.00	34,834.60	29,933.75	439,703.78	2,292.85	441,996.63
General Accounting Office settlements.....	2.56	7.24	44.40	48.65	-----	-----	-----	102.85	3.38	106.23
Outstanding liabilities.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	250.22	670.35	920.57	-----	920.57
Aggregate.....	59,462.38	135,788.66	107,412.17	71,876.07	499.00	35,084.82	30,604.10	440,727.20	2,296.23	443,023.43
Less collections.....	2,153.60	12,563.90	508.73	172.63	-----	137.00	4,649.19	20,185.05	610.72	23,795.77
Net cost.....	57,308.78	123,224.76	106,903.44	71,703.44	499.00	34,947.82	25,954.91	420,542.15	1,685.51	422,227.66
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA										
Personal services.....	77.69	38.41	36.02	85.10	-----	34.56	26.91	298.69	2.50	301.19
Supplies.....	3.02	136.08	113.13	10.46	.71	14.04	9.52	286.96	— .10	286.86
Equipment.....	.81	.79	2.91	6.44	-----	1.11	.49	12.55	-----	12.55
Total.....	81.52	175.28	152.06	102.00	.71	49.71	36.92	598.20	2.40	600.60

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.0921; supplies, \$0.3802; total, \$0.4723.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on net expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members, temporarily at post members, and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$52,832.74	Disbursed during year:	
Received from Bureau of Pensions.....	275,175.47	To pensioners.....	\$190,437.13
Canceled check.....	10.00	To families.....	74,508.84
			\$264,945.97
		Transferred to post fund.....	15,407.24
		Balance June 30, 1928.....	47,665.00
Total.....	328,018.21	Total.....	328,018.21

Of above balance, \$18,569.75 is standing to the credit of deceased members.

THE RATE AND NUMBER OF PENSIONERS

Rate per month	Number, June 30, 1927	Gain		Total	Loss		Number, June 30, 1928
		By admission, readmission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
\$6.00	3	0	0	3	1	0	2
12.00	5	1	0	6	4	2	0
17.00	2	5	1	8	5	0	3
18.00	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
20.00	35	37	0	72	11	41	20
21.25	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
22.00	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
23.00	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
24.00	2	1	0	3	1	0	2
25.00	51	37	6	94	31	29	34
27.00	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
28.29	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
30.00	89	76	50	215	62	47	106
34.25	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
40.00	96	90	57	243	85	32	126
50.00	152	107	39	298	124	7	167
72.00	63	31	7	101	45	0	56
88.00	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
90.00	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
	504	387	161	1,052	370	161	521

Actual number of pensioners cared for (from total deduct the number gained by change of rate), 891.

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward.....	\$9,748.31	Transferred to general post fund.....	\$20,678.42
Store, sales, etc.....	32,614.68	Store, merchandise, services, etc.....	30,475.24
Hotel and restaurant, sales, etc.....	31,167.05	Hotel and restaurant, merchandise, etc.....	29,293.16
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	1,950.99	Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	12,808.73
Miscellaneous.....	252.00	Repairs.....	2,771.42
Posthumous pension fund.....	15,407.24	Miscellaneous.....	8,377.84
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	6,336.40	Posthumous pension fund.....	414.66
Transferred from general fund.....	14,650.00	Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	880.48
Check No. 13584 ordered canceled by the president board of managers, June 12, 1928.....	60.00	Balance.....	6,486.72
Total.....	112,186.67	Total.....	112,186.67

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount
Cash.....	\$9,748.31	Cash.....	\$6,486.72
Store: Fixtures, \$372.80; stock, \$9,274.11.	9,646.91	Store: Fixtures, \$328.85; stock, \$9,021.33.	9,350.18
Hotel, etc.: Fixtures, \$1,775.50; stock, \$1,322.37.....	3,097.87	Hotel, etc.: Fixtures, \$1,760.40; stock, \$1,976.95.....	3,737.35
Amusement fixtures.....	12,757.40	Amusement fixtures.....	12,670.00
Buildings.....	45,995.00	Buildings.....	46,845.00
Miscellaneous.....	724.80	Miscellaneous.....	715.00
Total.....	81,970.29	Total.....	79,804.25
Liabilities.....	9,365.11	Liabilities.....	9,810.68

Employees paid from post fund

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Store.....	3		\$1,422.50
Hotel.....	8	3	6,220.45
Library.....	3		1,473.74
Choir.....	5	5	2,040.00
Theater.....	1		420.00
Superintendent post fund office.....	1		1,320.00
Repairs, temporary schedule.....	19		1,300.67
Total.....			14,200.36

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments, and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games, and library, free of charge.

There were given 430 band concerts, 138 motion-picture shows, 24 base ball games, and 2 theatrical performances.

Under this head there was expended for:

138 motion-picture shows.....	\$3,218.80
24 base ball games.....	1,498.58
Books, etc., and club-room equipment.....	1,506.11
For services, members of band and other employees authorized.....	6,585.24
Total.....	12,808.73

Christmas show paid under miscellaneous, \$225.

The expenditure from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$12,808.73, a per capita of \$18.22, figured on the average present.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital is divided into 27 wards and has a capacity for 341 patients. Quarters for convalescents provide for 114 patients.

There are 5 assistant surgeons; 7 female trained nurses, and 2 male nurses. On June 30 there were 149 patients in hospital, 113 sick in quarters, and 31 members at sick call. There were 192 vacant beds in hospital on that date.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year were as follows:

	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Average present, sick in hospital.....	153	149
Average present, sick in quarters.....	111	115
Total average sick.....	264	264
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	37.55	40.49
Number treated in hospital.....	520	413
Number treated at sick call.....	964	772
Died in the home.....	59	64
Died while absent from the home.....	3	9
Total deaths.....	62	73
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	33.88	44.24
Average age at death.....	73.23	70.56
Number of insane cared for.....	62	82
Number of blind cared for.....	6	3
Total patients in the Government Hospital for the Insane.....	15	15
Number of insane present June 30.....	31	33
Number of blind present June 30.....	4	3
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	48	54
Number of tubercular patients June 30.....	8	13

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Causes of death during the year and number of deaths from each cause:

Arteriosclerosis.....	14
Mitral insufficiency.....	8
Nephritis.....	2
Angina pectoris.....	3
Hemorrhage, cerebral.....	6
Carcinoma—	
Pancreas.....	1
Hand.....	1
Myocarditis.....	10
V. H. D. combined lesions.....	4
Tuberculosis, pulmonary.....	3
Pneumonia—	
Lobar.....	1
Bronchial.....	1
Suffocation.....	1
Cardiac dilatation.....	1

Causes of death during the year, and number of deaths from each cause—Continued.

Alcoholism, acute.....	1
Cystitis.....	1
Cirrhosis, liver.....	1
Number of operations performed during the year:	
Major.....	67
Minor.....	5,646
Total (of which 309 were salvarsan intravenous).....	5,713
Average number of hospital employees:	
Male.....	68
Female.....	18
Total.....	86

Amount expended from appropriation for hospital during the year:

Services.....	\$59,828.53
Drugs and medicines.....	6,929.72
All other supplies and appliances.....	5,009.09
Total.....	71,827.34

Quartermasters' department—Repairs to buildings

Building, etc.	Nature of repairs other than painting	Cost	Painting
Nurses' quarters.....	Repair gutters, etc.....	\$83.61	\$31.53
Hotel.....	Remove lunch-room counter, etc.....	71.26	20.02
Treasurer's quarters.....	Scrape floors, etc.....		151.02
Home buildings.....	Repairs, paint and install screens.....	688.95	211.87
Home grounds.....	Repair bridges, paint field pieces, etc.....	457.60	27.79
Barracks.....	Repairing sashes, roofs, etc.....	268.64	35.65
General mess hall.....	Remodel tables, etc.....	1,031.69	
Hospital.....	Install water line, etc.....	329.63	112.80
Officers' quarters No. 7.....			19.67
Cottages.....	Renew water lines, etc.....	161.09	
Employees' quarters Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4.....	Install sink, etc.....	80.32	102.28
Dairy barns.....	Repairs to floors, etc.....	350.30	33.21
Adjutant's quarters.....	Laying floors, etc.....	37.50	42.68
Greenhouse.....	do.....	169.04	
Officers' quarters No. 10-11.....	Sheathing, etc.....	65.26	105.36
Treasurer's office.....	Remove partition, etc.....	80.43	
Guard house.....	Repair walk, etc.....	22.38	87.08
Coal sheds.....	Renew posts, etc.....	397.46	
K. O. R. R. station.....	Shingle roof.....	33.00	
Team stable.....	Repair floor, etc.....	186.70	69.70
Officers' quarters No. 9.....			94.10
Governor's quarters.....	Make cement pool, etc.....	127.46	76.70
Officers' quarters Nos. 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9.....	Painting piazza roofs.....		27.92
Officers' quarters No. 6.....			82.51
Ice house.....	Shingle roof, etc.....	376.97	50.47
Headquarters.....	Install flashings, etc.....	81.24	
Noncommissioned officers' and clerks' dormitories.....	Repair water line.....	31.72	
Dry cleaning plant.....	Repair foundation, etc.....	259.90	
Main power house.....	Repair boilers, etc.....	600.40	
Wagon shed.....	Renew sills, etc.....	236.02	
Laundry.....	Install countershafts, etc.....	72.35	
Carpenter shop dormitory.....	Repair plaster, etc.....	62.67	
Farm.....	Rebuilding sleds.....	215.18	
Chemical-engine house.....	Repair cement floor.....	19.60	
Theater.....	Repair plaster.....	24.00	
Clubhouse.....	do.....	24.00	
Barracks Nos. 2 and 4.....	New roofs.....	1,532.00	
Piazza between barracks.....	do.....	40.00	
Home grounds.....	Removing bushes.....	37.33	
Do.....	Sawing lumber.....	629.65	
Total.....		8,825.26	1,382.36

FARM

The appropriation for farm includes expenditures in the upkeep of roads, cemeteries, lawns, parks, greenhouses, flower gardens, stables, dairies, feeds, purchases of all animals, and all supplies used and services required in connection with these places.

Stable.—Average number of public animals kept during the year, 8 horses. Appraised value \$1,600. Average number of private horses kept, 1. Number and kind of public vehicles in use, 12 dump carts, 1 manure spreader, 5 sleds, 7 wagons, 1 sprinkler, 1 carriage, 2 ambulances, and 1 motor ambulance.

OPERATIONS OF DAIRY

Calves produced and added to the herd are accounted for under the heading "Herd"; calves sold, as such, are accounted for under the heading "Production." Feed raised and consumed and milk transferred to subsistence or sold are charged at market prices. No account is taken of pasturage on home grounds, this being offset by the manure.

Herd:		Production:	
On hand June 30, 1927, 41 cows and 24 other cattle (value).....	\$11,580.00	41,730 gallons, at 36 cents per gallon, used in commissary and sold.....	15,022.80
On hand June 30, 1928, 37 cows and 29 other cattle (value).....	11,840.00	19 calves sold.....	243.39
Increase.....	260.00	Total receipts.....	15,266.19
Received for stock sold out of herd.....	495.84	Profit.....	699.96
Net increase in investment.....	755.84		
Cost of Maintenance:		Summary:	
Feeds purchased.....	3,557.17	Increase in investment.....	755.84
Feeds raised on farm and consumed.....	5,721.00	Profit in operation.....	699.86
Veterinary and other expenses.....	308.72	Net profit.....	1,455.80
Services, employees.....	4,979.34		
Total cost.....	14,566.23		

In addition to the 41,730 gallons of milk shown above, 2,285 gallons were used to feed 26 calves. The average daily yield per cow, figured on the average number of cows, was 3.25 gallons. The average daily yield per cow, figured on the average number of cattle kept, was 1.82 gallons. Four thousand seven hundred and seventy-nine gallons of milk were purchased during the year at 0.3346 cents per gallon. The cost of production of milk in commissary and sold was 0.3490 cents per gallon.

FARM AND GARDEN

Five hundred acres were cultivated as follows: 20 acres ensilage corn; 5 acres green feed, oats, and millet; 2 acres vegetable garden; balance hay.

Products and disposition

Articles	Used in commissary and sales	Consumed by farm	Total product
Milk and calves.....	\$15,266.19	\$822.00	\$16,088.79
Hay, 315 tons.....		4,725.00	4,725.00
Ensilage, 200 tons.....		1,200.00	1,200.00
Green feed, 6 tons.....		36.00	36.00
Oats, 9,600 pounds.....		208.32	208.32
Straw, 5 tons.....		75.00	75.00
Celery, 212 pounds.....	8.48		8.48
Corn, green, 8,000 ears.....	80.00		80.00
Greens, 1,240 pounds.....	49.60		49.60
Lettuce, 833 pounds.....	33.32		33.32
Radish, 235 pounds.....	4.70		4.70
Rhubarb, 1,023 pounds.....	30.69		30.69
Total.....	16,472.98	7,066.92	22,539.90

Cost of operation

	Average number		Expended for—		Value farm products consumed	Total
	Teams	Em- ployees	Services	Supplies		
Nonproductive:						
Upkeep roads, cemetery, etc.....	1	7	\$5,533.65	\$1,030.81	-----	\$6,564.46
Teaming, camp work, etc.....	5	8	3,395.19	1,373.47	-----	4,768.66
						11,333.12
Productive:						
Farm proper and vegetable garden.....	1	8	4,182.35	2,000.30	-----	6,182.65
Dairy.....	0	8	4,979.34	3,865.89	\$5,721.00	14,566.23
						20,748.88

Total expenses of operating, productive enterprises under this head \$20,748.88; value of products, \$22,539.90; net profit, \$1,791.02.

HEATING, LIGHTING AND POWER PLANT, WATER, AND GAS

The steam plant consists of main plant, six boilers; two 90 horsepower and four 75 horsepower, installed as follows: No. 1, August, 1901; No. 2, August, 1901; No. 3, September, 1912; No. 4, August, 1902; No. 5, September, 1909, and No. 6, September, 1909. Six boilers in buildings outside main plant.

No lighting plant; supplied by contract with Central Main Power Co., Augusta, Me.

Refrigerators cooled by natural ice.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees:		Fuel.....	\$41,852.25
Steam plant.....	\$9,220.00	Oils, other than fuel.....	122.88
Lighting plant.....	480.00	Repairs, including parts.....	309.06
Refrigeration and ice plant.....	280.25	Boiler inspection.....	89.96
Total.....	9,980.25	Total.....	52,354.39

Fuel: 4,415 tons bituminous coal were purchased at \$9.79 per ton; year prior, 4,252 tons were purchased at \$9.67 per ton; 1,136 tons anthracite coal purchased at \$15.83 per ton.

Electric current: Purchased 222,200 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.035; total cost of current, \$7,777; maintenance, \$1,700; total, \$9,477.

Water: Daily average consumption of water was 150,253 gallons; purchased, 54,992,750 gallons at 10 cents per 1,000 gallons, \$5,499.30; hydrant charge, \$744; total, \$6,243.30.

Ice: 1,600 tons produced at a cost of \$0.297 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING PLANT

Laundry machinery and equipment consists of 5 washing machines (3 Troy and 2 Empire), 3 extractors (1 Watkins, 1 Empire, and 1 Wilson), 1 mangle (Wilson), 2 garment pressing machines (Daly), 1 dry tumbler (American), extractor (American), 2 washers (1 Troy and 1 American), 1 benzine still (made by James Burke Copper Works, Norwood, Ohio), Bowser single pump system, consisting of 1 pump and 5 naphtha tanks.

Cost of operation

	Employees		Amount for services	Supplies	Parts	Total
	Male	Female				
Laundry.....	5	6	\$5,174.94	\$316.75	\$98.35	\$5,590.04
Dry cleaning plant.....	2	0	1,437.34	247.05	-----	1,684.39
Total.....	7	6	6,612.28	563.80	98.35	7,274.43

Pieces laundered, 632,337; cost per piece \$0.00884; cost per capita, \$7.95.
Pieces dry cleaned, 29,448; cost per piece \$0.05719; cost per capita, \$2.40.

Clothing

Articles	Issued for use	Con-demned	In storehouses June 30, 1928		
			New	Reissue	Value
Blouses.....	40	0	0	114	\$460.56
Coats:					
Dress.....	1,035	450	168	376	2,742.52
Great.....	10	10	0	251	1,410.62
Drawers:					
Heavy.....	426	120	160	203	206.91
Light.....	681	90	0	158	41.08
Hats: Wool.....	643	450	62	38	157.00
Shirts:					
Chambray.....	1,070	130	63	110	103.80
Cotton.....	145	0	22	123	149.35
Shoes.....	586	1,005	26	603	1,515.89
Slippers.....	15	0	61	0	57.95
Socks: Cotton.....	2,259	200	684	545	135.19
Suspenders.....	297	30	40	0	8.00
Trousers.....	1,183	1,280	124	431	1,542.90
Undershirts:					
Cotton.....	820	80	21	30	13.26
Wool.....	625	100	177	517	714.82
Vests.....	613	220	56	279	559.45

Value of clothing condemned, \$13,935.18; value of clothing received from general depot, \$14,320.21.

Employment

EMPLOYEES UNDER THE GENERAL FUND AND AMOUNT PAID DURING THE YEAR

	Officers	Members	Nonmembers	Total
Average daily employed.....	12	224	128	364
Total amount paid.....	\$31,278.95	\$88,544.81	\$91,810.19	\$211,633.95
PRIOR YEAR				
Average daily employed.....	12	230	124	366
Total amount paid.....	\$30,897.49	\$88,662.88	\$89,597.30	\$209,147.67

NONMEMBER EMPLOYEES

Average number of men.....	78	Laundry employees.....	20
Women.....	43	Manager, hotel.....	1
Total.....	121	Mason.....	1
Baker.....	1	Musician, chief.....	1
Builders and carpenters.....	5	Musicians.....	9
Chaplains.....	2	Nurse, chief.....	1
Choristers.....	8	Nurses:	
Clerks.....	12	Men.....	2
Cooks.....	4	Women.....	7
Dairyman.....	1	Painters.....	2
Druggist.....	1	Plumber.....	1
Engineer, chief.....	1	Printer.....	1
Engineers.....	2	Steam fitters.....	2
Farmers and farm hands.....	6	Tailor.....	1
Firemen.....	6	Tinsmith.....	1
Gardener.....	1	Waiters.....	20
Janitress.....	1	Total.....	121

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general camp and hospital. In addition to the general mess hall no barracks are equipped with a combination kitchen and dining room for aged and infirm members.

The mess hall capacity of the branch at one sitting is as follows: General mess hall, 788; noncommissioned officers and clerks' mess, 78; hospital general mess, 196; tubercular cottage mess, 30 (not used); nurses' mess, 11; total, 1,103.

Average number of persons served by waiter at each sitting in above messes is, respectively, 35, 22, 22, 9.

Average sittings daily, average number served daily, average number of employees, and cost of rations

	Sittings	Number served	Employees		Cost of rations	
			Dining room	Kitchen	June 30, 1927	June 30, 1928
General mess.....	1	521	17	23	\$0.3509	\$0.3464
Hospital general mess.....	2	228	4	13	.4121	.4229
Noncommissioned officers and clerks' mess.....	1	45	2	3	.3304	.3272
Nurses' mess.....	1	9	0	1	.3350	.3324

Cost per capita, special diet, based on average number sick in hospital included in subsistence, \$5.82.

The average daily consumption, per man, on some of the food articles was as follows: Bread, 7.81 ounces; meat and fish, 14.85 ounces; coffee and tea, 1.17 ounces; milk, 1.32 pints; cheese, 0.30 ounce; oleomargarine, 1.12 ounces; sugar, 3.59 ounces; cereal, 0.55 ounce; vegetables, 22.78 ounces.

Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same, during the year

Article	Quantity	Total cost	Article	Quantity	Total cost
Bacon.....pounds..	15,911	\$3,213.69	Milk.....gallons..	45,952	\$13,769.96
Beef, dressed.....do..	70,045	12,525.26	Onions.....pounds..	22,518	731.84
Eggs.....dozen.....	24,710	8,119.29	Potatoes.....do.....	256,307	6,228.26
Fish, fresh.....pounds..	17,974	1,738.09	Sugar.....do.....	66,006	4,303.59
Ham.....do.....	12,579	2,703.23	Beans, navy.....do.....	13,857	971.38
Flour.....do.....	138,116	5,289.84	Beans, Lima.....do.....	1,128	93.29
Cheese.....do.....	5,505	1,406.53	Rice.....do.....	3,565	185.02
Oleomargarine.....do.....	20,654	2,676.76	Apples, evaporated.....do.....	3,466	445.73
Coffee.....do.....	29,109	7,300.54	Pork, salt.....do.....	10,228	1,411.46
Pork shoulders.....do.....	13,581	1,829.36			

Bakery—Operation and average cost per pound of bread, etc., produced

	Pounds of flour or meal used	Pounds of bread, etc., produced	Cost per pound
Bread.....	100,272	151,611	\$0.0310
Cake.....	15,997	22,643	.0829
Pies.....	9,590	16,350	.1349
Total.....	125,859	190,604	8,784.17

Average pounds of bread produced from 100 pounds of flour, 1.51. Average number of employees, 4; amount paid employees, \$2,496; cost of fuel, \$631.04; total, \$3,327.04.

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 125 persons, and is open daily between the hours of 8 a. m. and 7 p. m.; winter—Sundays, 8 a. m. and 8 p. m.; summer—Sundays, 8 a. m. and 5 p. m.; and 12 newspapers and 43 periodicals were supplied; 237 volumes new books purchased during the year; total number of volumes, 11,909.

There are 3 persons employed in the library; cost of services \$1,479.74; 16,215 books were circulated or read.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 400 persons; 5 choristers were employed. Regular services were held once a week; average attendance 45; other services once a week. The chaplain officiated at 21 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital five times per week.

Catholic.—The chaplain resides at Augusta, Me. The chapel has a seating capacity of 400 persons; 5 choristers were employed. Regular services were held once a week; average attendance 260; other services once a month. The chaplain officiated at 12 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital twice a week.

CEMETERY

There were 29 burials in the cemetery during the year. Total number buried there is 4,144; total capacity of the cemetery, 5,082 graves.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 10; paid from general fund \$8,609.33; clothing \$300; subsistence \$1,267.82; total \$10,177.15.

FORMER OFFICERS OF THE EASTERN BRANCH

Surgeon: Maj. James W. Loughlin, February 12, 1924, to January 10, 1928.

Assistant surgeons: First Lieut. W. Ivan King, April 21, 1928, to June 22, 1928; First Lieut. John P. Savage, August 1, 1926, to July 11, 1927; First Lieut. Joseph E. Stephan, August 16, 1924, to November 19, 1927; First Lieut. David P. Young, November 19, 1927, to April 20, 1928.

KEITH RYAN, *Governor.*

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE SOUTHERN BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Branch established 1870 by act of March 21, 1866. Located near Hampton, Va. Post-office address, National Soldiers Home, Va. The reservation comprises 85.36 acres; 85.36 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles of roadway; 2 acres used for farming and 3 acres of pasture. There are 67 buildings on the reservation, including 10 barracks, 7 brick and 3 frame, maximum capacity 2,147 members; 5 hospital buildings, 5 brick, maximum capacity 655 patients, and 52 other buildings, including storehouses, mess hall, power house, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 40 are brick, 27 frame. Land acquired by purchase cost \$154,000; original cost of buildings, \$1,916,335.85; appraised value, \$1,105,394.64.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam with 8 boilers 250 horsepower, using 15,849 $\frac{1}{2}$ tons coal at \$4.49	\$71,164.25
Gas: 4,375,300 cubic feet, used for cooking, at \$1.0904 per M cubic feet	4,727.14
Lighting: Electric; generated 1,038,840 kilowatt-hours at \$0.023 per kilowatt-hour	34,147.32
Water: Purchased 9,397,500 cubic feet at \$0.145 per M cubic feet	13,626.37
Ice: Made, 816 tons at \$2 per ton	1,632.00
Laundry: 1,206,491 pieces laundered at \$0.0079 per piece	9,531.28
Dry-cleaning plant: 33,418 pieces cleaned at \$0.0598 per piece	1,998.40

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1927	Fiscal year 1928
Average present:		
Hospital patients	506	549
Domiciliary members	926	1,076
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital patients	\$2.0053	\$1.862
Domiciliary members	\$0.9041	\$0.833
Cost food per day per person subsisted:		
Hospital general mess	\$0.4049	\$0.3606
General mess	\$0.3204	\$0.2837
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess	307	906
General mess	1,343	953
Average present and absent	1,789	1,967
Whole number cared for	3,303	3,901
Per capita cost	\$472.02	\$431.70

Return for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT	PRESENT—continued
For duty:	
Governor	1
Treasurer	1
Surgeon	1
Quartermaster	1
Commissarian of subsistence	1
Adjutant and inspector	1
Chaplain	1
Assistant surgeons	8
Total	15
On extra duty, members	157
Sick in hospital, members	547
Sick in quarters, members	130
Total present:	
Commissioned officers	15
Noncommissioned officers	27
Members	1,586
Aggregate:	
This return	1,613
Last return	1,364
ABSENT	
With leave, members	353
Sick in Government Hospital for Insane, members	24
Without leave, members	61
Total absent, members	438
Aggregate:	
This return	438
Last return	402
Total	27
Members subject to detail	752

PRESENT AND ABSENT		AVERAGES	
Commissioned officers.....	15	Average present.....	1,625
Noncommissioned officers.....	27	Average present and absent.....	1,967
Members.....	2,024	Whole number cared for.....	3,901
Aggregate:		Average temporarily at post.....	57
This return.....	2,051	Average number of member employees.....	166
Last return.....	1,766		
GAIN		AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED	
Appointment (officers).....	3	Members.....	1,625
Admission, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	37	Civilian employees.....	234
Admission, other service.....	894	Total.....	1,859
Readmission.....	1,003		
Transfer.....	201	WHAT WAR	
Total.....	2,135	Civil.....	604
		Spanish-American.....	1,911
		World.....	1,386
		Total.....	3,901
LOSS		WHAT SERVICE	
Resignation (officer).....	1	Regular.....	1,845
Death (officer).....	1	Volunteer.....	1,640
Transfer (officer).....	1	Navy.....	416
Transfer.....	264	Total.....	3,901
Discharge.....	894		
Dropped from roll.....	475	OFFENSES	
Death, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	125	Major:	
Death, other service.....	92	Bringing in intoxicating liquors.....	63
Total.....	1,850	Drunkenness on duty.....	4
		Total.....	67
MISCELLANEOUS		Minor:	
Changes:		Absence without leave.....	89
From present to absent.....	1,439	Drunkenness.....	945
From absent to present.....	1,403	Disorderly conduct.....	72
Total.....	2,842	Violation of rules.....	376
Total beds in barracks.....	1,276	Total.....	1,482
Vacant.....	268	Total offenses.....	1,549
Total beds in hospital for patients.....	662		
Vacant.....	41		
Members present and absent June 30, 1928,			
having service other than Mexican or Civil			
Wars.....	1,763		
Colored members present and absent June 30,			
1928.....	232		

Ages

Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number
21.....	10	41.....	54	61.....	67	81.....	64
22.....	5	42.....	34	62.....	69	82.....	50
23.....	4	43.....	24	63.....	65	83.....	72
24.....	15	44.....	19	64.....	63	84.....	61
25.....	24	45.....	30	65.....	50	85.....	48
26.....	12	46.....	24	66.....	44	86.....	54
27.....	29	47.....	53	67.....	43	87.....	23
28.....	50	48.....	98	68.....	27	88.....	23
29.....	50	49.....	103	69.....	35	89.....	15
30.....	70	50.....	119	70.....	36	90.....	10
31.....	80	51.....	129	71.....	22	91.....	4
32.....	110	52.....	141	72.....	22	92.....	6
33.....	90	53.....	118	73.....	20	93.....	4
34.....	92	54.....	114	74.....	17	94.....	3
35.....	90	55.....	103	75.....	12	95.....	5
36.....	88	56.....	101	76.....	15	Total....	3,901
37.....	84	57.....	100	77.....	17		
38.....	76	58.....	94	78.....	19		
39.....	81	59.....	83	79.....	27		
40.....	62	60.....	83	80.....	44		

Average age members cared for:

Civil War.....	81.15
Spanish-American War.....	57.16
World War.....	35.73

Average age members deceased:

Civil War.....	84.97
Spanish-American War.....	59.40
World War.....	37.70

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1928

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain					Loss												
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped from roll	Death	Transfer to Government Hospital for Insane	Total
							Appointment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
Nov. 30:																								
1871.....	34	23	5	130	148	324	2		206	38	80	326				5	26		14	3	12	1	61	
1872.....	37	39	9	266	316	538	1	1	145	84	46	277	1	1		18	88		13	16	18		153	
1873.....	116	69	13	317	373	627	1	1	131	58	58	249		2		52	87		24	42	19	2	228	
1874.....	127	60	10	420	504	824			212	96	83	391				52	60		38	58	24	4	236	
1875.....	135	75	12	472	572	871			176	57	43	276				57	102		31	51	32	5	278	
Dec. 31:																								
1876.....	140	88	14	506	624	891			154	91	50	295				45	60	3	22	36	61	4	231	
1877.....	163	92	12	551	667	958			183	83	51	317				49	68		10	31	31	3	192	
1878.....	96	116	10	623	743	1,070	1		187	62	67	317	1			58	103		22	20	28	5	237	
June 30:																								
1879.....	47	140	6	673	809	958	1		77	28	31	137		1		33	45	4	24	12	13	6	138	
1880.....	63	150	7	673	818	1,106			156	74	31	261				53	110	6	21	43	40	7	280	
1881.....	71	162	13	701	864	1,167			213	76	52	341				49	108	4	17	45	40	2	265	
1882.....	89	202	20	789	998	1,261	1		318	141	88	548				119	179	3	6	44	55	2	408	
1883.....	67	232	30	953	1,187	1,531	1		488	122	128	739	1			48	126	5	23	177	72	7	459	
1884.....	123	292	20	1,521	1,221	2,182			407	147	89	643				73	87	1	12	77	70	14	334	
1885.....	166	405	12	1,408	1,786	3,322			390	124	28	552				57	60	4	23	31	86	10	271	
1886.....	328	457	11	1,600	2,068	2,401			392	63	26	481				69	67		4	13	94	16	263	
1887.....	465	537	13	1,721	2,271	2,679			440	61	40	541				66	50		9	9	96	5	234	
1888.....	614	666	11	2,013	2,643	3,077	1		537	56	38	632				55	67		8	19	114	10	273	
1889.....	674	819	11	2,306	3,093	3,694			759	77	54	890				80	113		12	45	148	8	406	
1890.....	652	947	8	2,466	3,393	8,908			472	94	53	620				71	134		13	81	180	9	488	
1891.....	668	959	9	2,604	3,558	4,131			544	121	46	711				91	168		14	75	189	10	547	
1892.....	655	960	10	2,670	3,638	4,510			720	177	29	926				110	307		18	174	213	8	830	
1893.....	617	1,030	8	2,729	3,705	4,415	1		550	165	19	735				113	260		5	116	200	5	690	
1894.....	630	999	13	2,871	3,834	4,595			606	235	38	879				100	202		8	105	192	3	610	
1895.....	850	967	20	3,000	3,953	4,428	1		306	110	26	443	1			65	195		5	49	220	3	538	
1896.....	659	1,108	20	3,131	4,148	4,966			772	244	62	1,078			1	79	134		1	86	206	11	518	
1897.....	657	1,223	24	3,326	4,532	5,076	1		419	173	35	628			1	54	170		3	99	204	10	541	
1898.....	664	1,288	30	3,376	4,613	5,305	2		556	165	47	770	1			146	191		5	98	230	7	678	
1899.....	673	1,328	27	3,408	4,736	5,580	1		673	192	87	953				99	202		11	405	239	17	976	
1900.....	414	1,452	21	3,316	4,682	5,564			666	217	77	960				122	243		18	159	290	8	840	
1901.....	389	1,441	12	3,390	4,790	5,479			564	150	41	755				67	272		29	112	324	14	818	

1902.....	400	1,316	6	3,135	4,417	4,865	2	102	84	16	204	1	1	89	207	30	133	248	5	714
1903.....	425	1,205	4	2,773	3,932	4,390	2	139	82	16	239	2		64	155	12	131	269	10	643
1904.....	398	1,087	5	2,670	3,720	4,359		404	179	29	612			59	259	16	114	256	13	717
1905.....	393	1,002	5	2,616	3,585	4,301		382	194	83	659			125	204	20	138	305	18	810
1906.....	383	1,021	4	2,576	3,534	4,224	4	325	274	130	733	4		82	219	14	133	321		773
1907.....	486	961	13	2,476	3,437	4,258		381	265	161	807			145	281	5	185	326		922
1908.....	464	901	13	2,261	3,178	4,093	3	396	242	116	757	3		156	343	11	200	317		1,030
1909.....	469	805	24	2,340	3,169	4,065	7	506	385	134	1,032	2		99	397	11	197	308		1,015
1910.....	529	732	17	2,265	3,014	3,748	2	295	295	76	668	1		75	300	9	204	252		850
1911.....	678	715	13	2,124	2,852	3,571	3	295	297	77	673	3		92	288	5	174	260		853
1912.....	670	659	16	2,036	2,711	3,569	5	396	331	118	851	3		92	385	5	164	267		929
1913.....	621	637	25	1,878	2,540	3,326	2	228	350	116	696	2		77	421	3	186	269		968
1914.....	565	567	25	1,726	2,318	3,172	1	296	403	100	804	2	2	102	419	1	174	247		948
1915.....	579	513	22	1,762	2,297	3,242	3	407	467	141	1,018	2		90	400		186	262		941
1916.....	606	490	34	1,896	2,420	3,464	2	334	642	184	1,163	2	1	147	589	1	172	292		1,204
1917.....	624	474	17	1,743	2,234	3,241	1	322	558	97	981	4	1	116	678	1	118	213		1,131
1918.....	618	480	10	1,643	2,133	2,860	4	218	484	43	750	3	1	89	629		44	190		956
1919 ¹																				
1920.....	72	65	6	722	767	1,063	8	26	245	796	1,067	1		27	42		4			89
1921.....	538	427	17	1,473	1,917	3,124	4	178	637	1,335	2,150		2	194	665		92	219		1,170
1922.....	633	404	16	1,563	2,067	3,253	2	299	572	426	1,299		1	215	660		57	294		1,226
1923.....	650	543	11	1,540	2,025	3,161	2	343	493	296	1,134		3	217	581		60	331		1,189
1924.....	674	394	20	1,544	1,970	3,066	3	395	455	244	1,094	1	1	205	663		95	281		1,244
1925.....	639	362	22	1,460	1,794	2,952	1	412	535	183	1,130	1	1	206	655		147	238		1,245
1926.....	614	315	32	1,359	1,813	3,164	4	494	709	254	1,457	1	3	224	672		288	241		1,425
1927.....	620	281	32	1,432	1,789	3,303	3	611	759	169	1,539	2	2	192	838		302	205		1,537
1928.....	677	377	61	1,613	2,051	3,901	3	931	1,003	201	2,135	1	1	264	894		475	217		1,850
Total.....								21,531	14,521	7,218	43,274			5,597	15,938		6,484	10,433		39,410

¹ Home not opened.

Whole number cared for from date of organization to June 30, 1928, 43,274.

128 NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS

LIST OF ALL OFFICERS GAINED AND LOST DURING FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Gains:

By appointment—

Dr. Henry O. Colomb, assistant surgeon, July 1, 1927.

Dr. William A. Thompson, assistant surgeon, September 16, 1927.

Dr. Burton O. Clark, assistant surgeon, January 1, 1928.

Losses:

By resignation: Dr. Smithfield Keffer, assistant surgeon, July 1, 1927.

By transfer: Dr. Samuel B. Woodward, assistant surgeon, December 16, 1927.

By death: Dr. William T. Erwin, assistant surgeon, August 25, 1927.

FORMER OFFICERS OF THE SOUTHERN BRANCH

(From July 1, 1927 to June 30, 1928)

Assistant surgeons:

Capt. William T. Erwin, July 1, 1921, to August 25, 1927.

Lieut. Smithfield Keffer, September 19, 1926, to July 1, 1927.

Lieut. Samuel B. Woodward, January 5, 1924, to December 16, 1927.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Transportation	Repairs	Farm	Total branch	Clothing	Total
CASH STATEMENT										
From general treasurer.....	\$65,000.00	\$263,700.00	\$138,500.00	\$160,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$59,850.00	\$15,000.00	\$703,050.00	\$2,536.43	\$705,586.43
Collections.....	1,352.66	8,518.83	581.49	764.83	-----	870.78	928.53	13,017.12	674.75	13,691.87
Total.....	66,352.66	272,218.83	139,081.49	160,764.83	1,000.00	60,720.78	15,928.53	716,067.12	3,211.18	719,278.30
Disbursed.....	65,663.87	271,746.58	138,755.76	160,362.71	947.82	59,003.27	15,735.97	712,215.98	3,211.18	715,427.16
Returned to general treasurer.....	688.79	472.25	325.73	402.12	52.18	1,717.51	192.56	3,851.14	-----	3,851.14
COST OF OPERATION										
Paid by treasurer.....	65,663.87	271,746.58	138,755.76	160,362.71	947.82	59,003.27	15,735.97	712,215.98	3,211.18	715,427.16
General Accounting Office settlements.....	49.38	20.14	152.61	85.65	50.21	-----	-----	357.99	-----	357.99
Outstanding liabilities.....	2.71	-----	33.54	.66	-----	698.49	-----	735.40	72.92	808.32
Aggregate.....	65,715.96	271,766.72	138,941.91	160,449.02	998.03	59,701.76	15,735.91	713,309.37	3,284.10	716,593.47
Less collections.....	1,352.66	8,518.83	581.49	764.83	-----	870.78	928.53	13,017.12	674.75	13,691.87
Net cost.....	64,363.30	263,247.89	138,360.42	159,684.19	998.03	58,830.98	14,807.44	700,292.25	2,609.35	702,901.60
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA										
Personal services.....	38.50	28.91	18.85	84.68	-----	18.09	6.47	195.50	1.47	196.97
Supplies.....	.88	131.07	75.98	10.16	-----	14.35	2.26	234.70	.60	235.30
Equipment.....	.27	2.03	3.55	3.48	-----	3.77	.39	13.49	-----	13.49
Total.....	39.65	162.01	98.38	98.32	-----	36.21	9.12	443.69	2.07	445.76

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.0692; supplies, \$0.3139; total, \$0.3831.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on net expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members, temporarily at post members, and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$351, 514. 23	Disbursed during the year:	
Received from:		To pensioners.....	\$433, 209. 02
Bureau pensions.....	676, 587. 25	To families.....	173, 604. 21
Other branches.....	5, 993. 95		606, 814. 13
Collection, direction General Accounting Office.....	61. 00	Deposits.....	316. 00
Canceled checks.....	463. 40	Transferred to post fund.....	95, 883. 25
Overpayment taken up.....	25. 00	Balance.....	331, 631. 45
Total.....	1, 034, 644. 83	Total.....	1, 034, 644. 83

Of the above balance \$101,916.33 is standing to the credit of deceased members.

THE RATE AND NUMBER OF PENSIONERS

Rate per month	Number June 30, 1927	Gain		Total	Loss		Number June 30, 1928
		By admission, readmission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
6	3	7	0	10	4	2	4
8	9	8	2	19	9	4	6
10	1	2	0	3	2	1	0
12	4	9	2	15	5	4	6
14	5	7	0	12	8	2	2
17	5	8	2	15	5	0	10
18	3	4	1	8	6	2	0
20	36	49	2	87	37	12	38
24	4	10	1	15	5	1	9
25	66	81	21	168	90	27	51
30	138	107	23	268	102	51	115
40	154	182	48	384	174	62	148
50	478	298	56	832	202	67	563
72	229	153	23	405	185	7	213
80	2	2	1	5	3	0	2
90	1	3	1	5	3	0	2
125	1	1	0	2	2	0	0
	1, 139	931	183	2, 253	842	242	1, 169

Actual number of pensioners cared for (from total deduct the number gained by change of rate) 2,070.

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward.....	\$46, 920. 20	Transferred to general post fund.....	\$110, 916. 47
Stores: Sales, etc.....	1, 500. 00	Hotel and restaurant: Merchandise, etc.....	480. 00
Hotel and restaurant: Sales, etc.....	1, 058. 50	Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	10, 839. 21
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	874. 65	Construction.....	2, 343. 07
Miscellaneous.....	495. 91	Repairs.....	2, 967. 45
Posthumous pension fund.....	95, 883. 25	Miscellaneous.....	7, 980. 09
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	5, 203. 32	Posthumous pension fund.....	3, 896. 92
Transferred from general post fund.....	23, 500. 00	Posthumous fund, act of June 25, 1910.....	3, 370. 38
Total.....	175, 435. 83	Balance.....	32, 642. 24
		Total.....	175, 435. 83

Comparative statement of resources

Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount
Cash.....	\$46, 920. 20	Cash.....	\$32, 642. 24
Store, fixtures.....	7. 00	Store, fixtures.....	7. 00
Hotel, etc., fixtures.....	1, 536. 06	Hotel, etc., fixtures.....	1, 518. 65
Amusement, fixtures.....	15, 657. 81	Amusement, fixtures.....	15, 665. 61
Buildings.....	78, 558. 98	Buildings.....	75, 633. 15
Miscellaneous.....	10, 199. 72	Miscellaneous.....	10, 358. 85
Liabilities.....	54, 392. 43	Liabilities.....	34, 517. 10

Employees paid from post fund

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Radio operator.....	1		\$488.00
Ordinance.....	1		253.50
Hotel.....		1	480.00
Billiard room.....	2		500.00
Library and G. A. R. Hall.....	4		1,711.20
Attendants.....	3		977.40
Choir.....	5	5	2,036.50
Theater and chapels.....	4		1,149.00
Superintendent post fund office.....	1		1,200.00
Total.....	21	6	8,846.80

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments, and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games, and library free of charge.

There were given 428 band concerts, 284 motion-picture shows, 52 baseball games, 9 theatrical performances, 10 football games, and 1 soccer game.

Under this head there was expended for:

284 motion-picture shows.....	\$2,417.29
52 baseball games.....	270.00
Books, etc., and clubroom equipment.....	1,347.75
For services, members of the band and other employees authorized.....	7,614.90
Total.....	11,655.94

The expenditures from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$11,655.94, a per capita of \$7.18, figured on the average present.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital is divided into 30 wards, and has a capacity for 662 patients. Quarters for convalescents provided for 199 patients. Combination barracks have a capacity of 134.

There are 8 assistant surgeons and 2 consultants, 30 female trained nurses, and 70 ward attendants. On June 30 there were 547 patients in hospital, 130 sick in quarters, and 98 members at sick call. There were 115 vacant beds in hospital on that date.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year, were as follows:

	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Average present sick in hospital.....	549	606
Average present sick in quarters.....	116	114
Total average sick.....	665	720
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	40.92	43.43
Number treated in hospital.....	1,370	1,182
Number treated at sick call.....	2,958	1,855
Died in the home.....	175	187
Died while absent from the home.....	42	18
Total deaths.....	217	205
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	55.63	62.06
Average age at death.....	71.36	75.5
Number of insane cared for.....	644	633
Number of blind cared for.....	19	22
Total patients in the Government Hospital for the Insane.....	24	43
Number of insane present June 30.....	339	355
Number of blind present June 30.....	15	16
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	14	19
Number of tubercular patients June 30.....	1	4

Causes of death during the year, and number of deaths from each cause:

Angina pectoris.....	5
Arteriosclerosis, general.....	6
Asthma, bronchial.....	1
Carcinoma—	
Osteo, right jaw.....	1
Scirrhus, right breast.....	1
Carcinoma of—	
Tongue.....	1
Intestines.....	1
Stomach.....	7
Left hand.....	1
Prostate.....	1
Oesophagus.....	1
Face, left side.....	1
Cardiac hypertrophy.....	2
Cardiac hypertrophy and dilatation.....	12
Diabetes, mellitus.....	1
Dysentery, chronic.....	1
Embolism, cerebral.....	1
Epilepsy, grand mal.....	2
Erysipelas phlegmonous.....	2
Gangrene—	
Dry.....	1
Moist.....	1
General paralysis, cerebral type.....	7
Hemorrhage, cerebral.....	4
Intussusception of upper bowels.....	1
Myocarditis, chronic.....	34
Nephritis—	
Interstitial, chronic.....	19
Parenchymatous, acute.....	1
Pneumonia—	
Broncho.....	5
Lobar.....	2
Pyelitis, suppurative, chronic.....	1
Starvation, voluntary.....	1
Syphilis, tertiary.....	2
Tabs, dorsalis.....	1
Uremia, acute.....	1
Tuberculosis, pulmonary, chronic.....	9
Valvular heart disease—	
Aortic regurgitation.....	4
Aortic stenosis.....	1

Causes of death during the year, and number of deaths from each cause—Continued.

Valvular heart disease—Continued.	
Combined lesions, aortic and mitral.....	3
Mitral insufficiency.....	10
Mitral regurgitation.....	7
Mitral stenosis.....	17
Traumatism—	
Fracture, simple, of right hip.....	1
Fracture of skull (homicide).....	1
Hemorrhage, post operative.....	1
Poisoning and intoxications—	
Alcoholism, acute.....	1
Methyl alcohol poisoning.....	1
Total.....	185

RECAPITULATION

Members died:	
Present.....	175
Absent, cause unknown.....	16
Absent, cause known.....	10
Absent, St. Elizabeths Hospital.....	16
Total deaths.....	217

Number of operations performed during the year:

Major.....	106
Minor.....	1,098
Total.....	1,204

Average number of hospital employees:

Male.....	114
Female.....	75
Total.....	189

Amount expended from appropriation for hospital during the year:

Services.....	\$137,597.29
Drugs and medicines.....	4,041.12
Wines, liquors, alcohol, and beer.....	263.16
All other supplies and appliances.....	18,658.38
Total.....	160,559.95

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT

During the year there was no construction.

Repairs to buildings

Nature of, other than painting	Cost	Painting
Barracks: Repairs to roofs, plaster walls, floors, glazing, wiring, woodwork, plumbing, etc.....	\$3,850	
Hospital, annexes and nurses' quarters: Repairs to roofs, plaster, floors, glazing, wiring, woodwork, plumbing, and steam heating.....	2,400	\$2,675
Officers' and employees' quarters: Repairs to roofs, plaster, floors, glazing, wiring, woodwork, plumbing, and heating.....	2,089	2,425
Library and chapel: Repairs to outside woodwork.....	150	320
Mess halls and kitchens: Repairs to outside woodwork, roofs.....	315	800
Office buildings, quartermaster warehouses: Repairs to roofs, glazing, plumbing, heating, and woodwork.....	1,350	125
Guardhouse: Repairs to doors, gratings in iron doors.....	105	150
Total.....	10,259	6,495

FARM

The appropriation for farm includes expenditures in the upkeep of roads, cemeteries, lawns, parks, greenhouses, flower gardens, stables, dairies, feeds, purchase of all animals, and all supplies used and services required in connection with these places.

Stable: Average number of public animals kept during the year: Four horses, 1 mule. Appraised value, \$897.50. Number and kind of public vehicles in use: One motor ambulance, 2 White 1½-ton trucks, 1 Dodge service truck, 1 two-horse caisson, 1 two-horse Army type ambulance, 1 one-horse ice wagon, and 3 dump carts.

No dairy operated.

No garden cultivated.

HEATING, LIGHTING AND POWER PLANT, WATER, AND GAS

The steam plant consists of eight 250-horsepower Babcock & Wilcox water-tube boilers, 6 installed 1910, 2 installed 1912; 1 Sturtevant economizer; 1 Webster open heater; 11 steam pumps; 1 Westinghouse air compressor; 8 Murphy automatic furnaces; 2 stoker engines, installed 1910.

The lighting system consists of 1 simple Cooper Corliss engine, 340 horsepower; 1 cross-compound Cooper Corliss engine, 340 horsepower; two 225-kilowatt Western Electric A. C. generators installed in 1910.

The refrigeration and ice plant consists of one 20-ton York vertical ammonia-compressor, single action, motor driven, installed 1910; ice capacity, 5 tons daily; calcium chloride circulation through cold-storage rooms in commissary storehouse and quartermaster storage for woolens; also one 2-ton Vilter vertical ammonia compressor, single cylinder, motor driven, direct expansion system through cold storage box in hospital kitchen and morgue; 2 Continental automatic refrigerating units, 2-ton capacity, each installed in general and combination messes in 1922.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees:	
Steam plant.....	\$15,516.00
Lighting plant.....	1,728.00
Refrigeration and ice plant.....	2,806.00
	<hr/> 19,550.00
Fuel.....	71,164.25
Oils, other than fuel.....	428.95
Repairs, including parts.....	5,726.46
New units of machinery purchased: Two pumps, \$649; and crane from War Department, conditioning and shipping, \$865 95.....	1,514.95
All other supplies.....	910.04
	<hr/> 99,294.65
Total.....	

Fuel: 14,983.30 tons bituminous coal were purchased at \$4.49 per ton. Year prior, 14,963.80 tons were purchased at \$4.09 per ton; 68.25 tons anthracite coal at \$12.30 per ton.

Electric current: Electric current produced 1,036,840 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.023; total cost of current, \$34,147.32.

Gas: Gas was used for cooking purposes in the different messes of the home; none was used for illumination; 4,375,300 cubic feet purchased at \$4,727.14. Year prior, 4,002,400 cubic feet purchased at \$4,716.44.

Water: Daily average consumption of water was 25,676 cubic feet. Purchased 9,397,500 cubic feet at \$0.145 per cubic foot. Prior year purchased 10,091,300 cubic feet at \$0.145 per cubic foot.

Ice: Capacity of ice plant, 20 tons refrigeration and 6 tons ice; 816 tons produced at a cost of \$2 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY-CLEANING PLANT

Laundry machinery and equipment consist of 5 washers, 2 wringers, 6 extractors, 1 dry-tumbler, 1 mangle, 1 dry room, and 6 pressing machines. Dry-cleaning equipment: 1 washer, 1 wringer, 1 dry-tumbler, and 2 clothes-pressing machines.

Cost of operation

	Employees		Amount for services	Supplies	Parts	Total
	Male	Female				
Laundry.....	10	6	\$7,320.00	\$1,573.15	\$616.11	\$9,509.26
Dry-cleaning plant.....	3	0	1,008.00	392.45		2,000.45
Total.....	13	6	8,928.00	1,965.60	616.11	11,509.71

Pieces laundered, 1,206,491; cost per piece, \$0.0079; cost per capita, \$5.115.
 Pieces dry cleaned, 33,418; cost per piece, \$0.0598; cost per capita, \$1.07.

Clothing

Articles	Issued for use	Con-demned	In storehouses, June 30, 1928		
			New	Reissue	Value
Coats, pajama.....	999	999			
Trousers, pajama.....	1,064	1,064			
Coats:					
Dress.....	1,991	410	332	434	\$3,949.56
Great.....	55	9		246	1,182.52
Drawers:					
Heavy.....	576	940	284	46	188.10
Light.....	1,319	1,370			
Hats, wool.....	1,157	880	410	41	766.70
Gowns, Ward, O. F.....	976	570	84		183.12
Shirts, chambray.....	1,952	1,710	232		132.24
Shoes.....	1,687	1,460	44	2	110.86
Slippers.....	433	144			
Socks, cotton.....	4,312	4,885	670		73.70
Suspenders.....	777	925	252		57.96
Trousers.....	3,038	1,130	677	96	2,257.16
Undershirts:					
Cotton.....	1,350	1,150	83	25	28.06
Wool.....	491	890	286	34	361.60
Vests.....	1,513	390	389	86	812.25

Value of clothing condemned, \$18,296; value of clothing received from general depot, \$22,614.91.

Employment

EMPLOYEES UNDER THE GENERAL FUND AND AMOUNT PAID DURING THE YEAR

	Officers	Employees	Total
Authorized number.....	15	499	504
Average daily employed.....	15	477	492
Total amount paid.....	\$39,734.16	\$276,619.72	\$316,353.88
PRIOR YEAR			
Authorized number.....	15	470	485
Average daily employed.....	15	462	477
Total amount paid.....	\$39,790.01	\$267,948.77	\$307,738.18

NONMEMBER EMPLOYEES

Average number of men.....	140	Laundry employee.....	1
Women.....	123	Musician, chief.....	1
		Musicians (average).....	10
Total.....	263	Nurse, chief.....	1
Bakers.....	2	Ward attendants.....	36
Builders and carpenters.....	2	Nurses, women.....	30
Chaplain.....	1	Oculist.....	1
Clerks.....	15	Painters.....	3
Cooks.....	7	Plumbers.....	2
Dietitian.....	1	Printer.....	1
Druggists.....	2	Seamstresses.....	2
Electricians.....	2	Steam fitters.....	2
Engineer, chief.....	1	Tailors.....	3
Engineers.....	5	Tinsmith.....	1
Firemen.....	6	Walters.....	49
Gardener.....	1	Aide, occupational therapy.....	1
Hospital steward.....	1	Technicians.....	4
Laborers.....	69	Total.....	263

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general camp and hospital.

The mess hall capacity of the branch at one sitting is as follows: General mess hall, 652; combination messes, 480; hospital general mess, 168; nurses' mess, 38; total, 1,338.

Average number of persons served by waiter at each sitting in above messes is, respectively, 30, 42, 48,

Average sittings daily, average number served daily, average number of employees, and cost of rations

	Sittings	Number served	Dining room	Kitchen	June 30, 1927	June 30, 1928
General mess.....	2	953	44	12	\$0.3204	\$0.2837
Combination mess.....	1	595	18	10	.3949	.3511
Hospital general mess.....	1	274	9	6	.4319	.3855
Nurses' mess.....	2	36	1	2	.3515	.3305
Assistant surgeons and druggists.....	1	4	-----	1	.2808	.2809

The average daily consumption, per man, on some of the food articles, was as follows: Bread, 9.66 ounces; meat and fish, 12.44 ounces; coffee and tea, 1.12 ounces; milk, 1.24 pints; cheese, 0.19 ounces; Oleomargarine, 0.99 ounce; sugar, 3.43 ounces; cereal, 0.55 ounce; vegetables, 18.70 ounces.

Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same, during the year

	Quantity	Total cost		Quantity	Total cost
Bacon.....pounds..	23,452	\$5,122.00	Milk.....gallons..	105,443	\$44,396.18
Beef, dressed.....do..	186,519	26,936.85	Onions.....pounds..	72,746	2,188.92
Eggs.....dozen.....	43,193	12,295.45	Potatoes.....do.....	446,997	10,074.14
Fish, fresh.....pounds..	20,899	1,533.52	Sugar.....do.....	135,102	8,142.98
Ham.....do.....	22,216	4,552.46	Beans, navy.....do..	15,928	1,047.29
Flour.....do.....	14,975	521.88	Beans, lima.....do..	5,400	395.98
Cheese.....do.....	7,896	2,070.13	Rice.....do.....	9,332	467.79
Oleomargarine.....do..	41,901	5,344.23	Apples, evaporated..do..	4,673	589.45
Coffee.....do.....	44,004	10,609.03	Peaches, evaporated..do..	4,384	441.28
Pork shoulders.....do..	24,027	4,170.21	Pork, salt.....do....	20,778	3,352.72

Swill and garbage by contract, sold for \$876.

BAKERY

Operation and average cost per pound of bread, etc., produced

	Pounds of flour and meal used	Pounds of bread, etc., produced	Cost per pound
Bread.....	229,417	324,900	\$0.0304
Cake.....	13,098	42,249	.0637
Pies.....	10,623	10,623	.1588
Corn bread.....	4,704	9,962	.0427
Total.....	257,842	387,734	14,153.92

Average pounds of bread produced from 100 pounds of flour, 142.

Average number of employees, 4; amount paid employees, \$2,688; cost of fuel, \$848.70; total, \$3,536.70.

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 36 persons and is open daily between the hours of 8 a. m. and 7 p. m. Twenty-one newspapers and 20 periodicals were supplied, in addition to 4,554 received from post offices; 422 volumes new books purchased during year. Total number of volumes now in library, 8,658.

There are 4 persons employed in the library. Cost of services, \$1,711.20.

Twenty-one thousand four hundred and eighty-five books were circulated or read.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 500 persons. Four choristers were employed. Regular services were held two times per week. Average attendance, 250. Other services once per week. The chaplain officiated at 75 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital twelve times per week.

Catholic.—The chaplain is not a commissioned officer, and is not furnished quarters. The chapel has a seating capacity of 500 persons. Four choristers were employed. Regular services were held once per week. Average attendance, 250. Other services two times per week. The chaplain officiated at 27 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital twelve times per week.

CEMETERY

There were 102 burials in the cemetery during the year. This is not a home cemetery but a national cemetery.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 10. Paid from general fund, \$8,785; clothing, \$281; subsistence, \$1,091.11; total, \$10,157.11.

L. A. THOMPSON, Governor.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE WESTERN BRANCH, JUNE 30, 1928

Branch established 1884 by act of Congress approved July, 1884. Located in Leavenworth County, Kans.; post-office address: "National Military Home, Kansas." The reservation comprises 644½ acres; 131½ acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 6½ miles of roadway; 150 acres used for farming; 193 acres of woods; and 170 acres of pasture. A dairy is operated with 46 milch cows and 30 other cattle in herd. There are 66 buildings on the grounds, including 13 barracks, all brick, maximum capacity, 1,531; 1 hospital building of brick, maximum capacity, 312 patients; 1 tuberculosis annex, capacity, 83; and 51 other buildings, including storehouses, mess halls, power house, theater, chapels, library, store, etc., of which 30 are brick, 2 stone, 18 frame, and 11 combination. Land acquired: Donated, 640 acres, purchased 4½ acres; cost, \$5,650.00. Original cost of buildings, \$941,155.61; appraised value, \$1,050,000.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam with five 300-horsepower, two 250-horsepower, and two 300-horsepower boilers using 2,071,980 gallons fuel oil at average price of 72,052 gallons at \$0.04308 and 1,999,928 gallons at \$0.03859.....	\$80,281.22
Gas: 7,837,260 cubic feet at rate ranging from \$0.70 to \$1 per thousand according to quantity used.....	6,516.04
Lighting: Electric current produced 442 kilowatt-hours at \$0.0295; purchased 485,170 kilowatt-hours at \$0.0148.....	7,194.34
Water: 111,404,610 gallons purchased at \$0.1183 per thousand gallons.....	13,182.95
Ice: 972½ tons produced at \$2.50 per ton.....	2,430.87
Laundry: 881,874 pieces laundered at \$0.0087 per piece.....	7,672.85
Dry cleaning: 36,236 pieces dry cleaned at \$0.0498 per piece.....	1,804.50

Comparative statement

	1928	1927
Average present, hospital patients.....	321	306
Average present, domiciliary members.....	1,461	1,267
Maintenance cost per day, hospital patients.....	\$2,548	\$2.45
Maintenance cost per day, domiciliary members.....	\$0.765	\$0.923
Cost food per day per person subsisted, hospital general mess.....	\$0.3976	\$0.3967
Cost food per day per person subsisted, tuberculosis mess.....	\$0.6794	\$0.6577
Cost food per day per person subsisted, general mess.....	\$0.3093	\$0.3211
Average number subsisted, hospital general mess.....	446	438
Average number subsisted, tuberculosis mess.....	68	60
Average number subsisted, general mess.....	1,508	1,398
Average present and absent.....	2,444	2,139
Whole number cared for.....	5,202	4,379
Per capita cost.....		

Returns for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT		PRESENT—continued	
For duty:		For duty—Continued.	
Governor.....	1	Sergeant major.....	1
Treasurer.....	1	Quartermaster sergeant.....	1
Surgeon.....	1	Commissary sergeant.....	1
Quartermaster.....	1	Hospital stewards.....	5
Commissary of subsistence.....	1	Company commanders.....	12
Adjutant and inspector.....	1	Company sergeants.....	13
Chaplains.....	2	Guard sergeants.....	2
Assistant surgeons.....	8		
Total.....	16	Total.....	36
		Members subject to detail.....	933

138 NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS

PRESENT—continued		MISCELLANEOUS	
On extra duty.....	215	Changes:	
Sick in hospital.....	316	From present to absent.....	4,623
Sick in quarters.....	275	From absent to present.....	4,428
Total present:		Total.....	9,051
Commissioned officers.....	16	Total beds in barracks.....	1,531
Noncommissioned officers.....	36	Vacant.....	145
Members.....	1,739	Total beds in hospital for patients.....	395
Aggregate:		Vacant.....	77
This return.....	1,775	Members present and absent June 30, 1928,	
Last return.....	1,540	having service other than Mexican or Civil Wars.....	2,018
ABSENT		Colored members present and absent June 30, 1928.....	281
With leave.....	728	AVERAGES	
Sick in general hospital for insane.....	12	Average present.....	1,782
Without leave.....	127	Average present and absent.....	2,444
Total absent.....	865	Whole number cared for.....	5,202
Aggregate:		Average temporarily at post.....	72.05
This return.....	865	Average number of member employees.....	206
Last return.....	671	AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED	
PRESENT AND ABSENT		Members.....	1,782
Commissioned officers.....	16	Civilian employees.....	240
Noncommissioned officers.....	36	Total.....	2,022
Members.....	2,604	Temporarily at post (included in members).....	72.05
Aggregate:		WHAT WAR	
This return.....	2,640	Civil.....	923
Last return.....	2,215	Spanish-American.....	1,950
GAIN		German.....	2,329
Appointment (officers).....	3	Total.....	5,202
Transfer (officers).....	3	WHAT SERVICE	
Admission, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	111	Army.....	4,973
Admission, other service.....	1,454	Marine.....	57
Readmission.....	1,187	Navy.....	172
Transfer.....	235	Total.....	5,202
Total.....	2,993	MINOR OFFENSES	
LOSS		Absence without leave.....	74
Resignation (officers).....	2	Drunkenness.....	491
Transfer (officers).....	4	Disorderly conduct.....	22
Transfer.....	258	Violation of rules.....	183
Discharge.....	1,261	Total.....	770
Dropped from roll.....	831		
Death, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	117		
Death, other service.....	75		
Total.....	2,568		

Ages

Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number
18.....	3	39.....	136	60.....	70	81.....	104
19.....	2	40.....	121	61.....	43	82.....	121
20.....	2	41.....	104	62.....	58	83.....	102
21.....	4	42.....	66	63.....	76	84.....	108
22.....	12	43.....	66	64.....	38	85.....	81
23.....	22	44.....	47	65.....	43	86.....	42
24.....	11	45.....	62	66.....	50	87.....	40
25.....	22	46.....	54	67.....	45	88.....	44
26.....	46	47.....	76	68.....	41	89.....	27
27.....	43	48.....	107	69.....	31	90.....	24
28.....	71	49.....	119	70.....	25	91.....	11
29.....	75	50.....	163	71.....	14	92.....	8
30.....	109	51.....	132	72.....	14	93.....	3
31.....	140	52.....	153	73.....	17	94.....	5
32.....	157	53.....	139	74.....	18	95.....	6
33.....	174	54.....	131	75.....	8	96.....	1
34.....	171	55.....	109	76.....	14	97.....	1
35.....	145	56.....	120	77.....	12	98.....	1
36.....	114	57.....	77	78.....	19		
37.....	122	58.....	84	79.....	33	Total.....	5,202
38.....	145	59.....	85	80.....	63		

Average age of members cared for:		
Civil War.....		82.04
Spanish-American War.....		59.05
German War.....		35.09
Average age of members deceased:		
Civil War.....		83.73
Spanish-American War.....		58.29
German War.....		36.61

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1928

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Officers		Gain					Loss										
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Appointment	Transfer	Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped from roll	Death	Transfer to Government Hospital for Insane	Total
													Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
June 30, 1886	17	31	3	240	261	568	3		440	41	84	568				1	22	1	3	7	6		40	
June 30, 1887	107	196	23	939	1,158	1,831	1		964	98	240	1,303				25	170	1	8	74	66		344	
June 30, 1888	148	397	23	1,371	1,773	2,430			770	108	65	943				63	210		10	131	97	7	519	
June 30, 1889	147	533	23	1,641	2,161	2,968	2		887	138	30	1,057				106	188	1	12	146	135		587	
June 30, 1890	170	560	19	1,868	2,440	3,104			610	90	23	723				90	302		20	161	111	20	704	
June 30, 1891	192	548	22	2,004	2,559	3,261			701	121	39	861				64	259	1	16	107	138	15	600	
June 30, 1892	180	654	20	2,044	2,702	3,588	2		683	88	154	927				67	508	11	25	132	140	16	890	
June 30, 1893	216	689	15	2,039	2,721	3,769			728	109	243	1,080				116	559		37	133	174	10	1,030	
June 30, 1894	279	617	17	2,188	2,822	3,860	2		700	293	126	1,121	2			179	569		48	94	164	29	1,066	
June 30, 1895	238	673	21	2,261	2,908	3,867			660	326	107	1,093	1			147	367		54	79	150	30	828	
June 30, 1896	270	781	19	2,340	3,124	4,107			632	393	143	1,068				159	344		62	154	164	13	896	
June 30, 1897	268	717	46	2,374	3,111	3,801			371	153	66	590				96	264	1	28	116	163	42	710	
June 30, 1898	308	740	27	2,480	3,208	4,020		1	441	288	199	929		1		107	184		16	107	172	17	604	
June 30, 1899	319	839	21	2,549	3,390	4,265	1		515	237	96	849	1			178	216		13	209	182	31	830	
June 30, 1900	255	689	24	2,488	3,415	4,316	1	1	536	220	123	881		1		207	216		35	196	217	20	892	
June 30, 1901	239	1,079	26	2,515	3,580	4,453			659	263	116	1,029				92	294		56	184	226		852	
June 30, 1902	235	1,146	29	2,618	3,768	4,804	1		847	285	70	1,203	1			130	395		23	155	249	11	964	
June 30, 1903	267	1,229	34	2,686	3,970	5,054	1		787	290	126	1,204				86	396		4	191	278	18	972	
June 30, 1904	264	1,325	39	2,773	4,091	5,111	1		613	321	94	1,029			1	103	457		4	246	245	18	1,074	
June 30, 1905	264	1,399	38	2,798	4,111	5,272	1		787	399	48	1,235	1			153	531		15	187	286		1,188	
June 30, 1906	247	1,372	39	2,786	4,119	5,300			713	463	40	1,216				188	530		9	191	307		1,225	
June 30, 1907	508	1,373	61	2,581	4,615	5,075	2		584	386	28	1,000				222	541		21	208	321		1,314	
June 30, 1908	428	1,249	51	2,338	4,857				596	463	37	1,096			1	153	702		7	196	296		1,355	
June 30, 1909	483	1,084	51	2,341	4,473	4,658	6	1	583	524	42	1,156	2			95	719		27	173	316		1,332	
June 30, 1910	573	983	40	2,319	4,653		2	1	628	632	64	1,327	3	1		100	830		23	135	336		1,428	
June 30, 1911	573	865	27	2,368	4,404				547	640	48	1,239	1	2		94	696		22	102	336		1,253	
June 30, 1912	592	801	23	2,462	4,510				573	676	50	1,299				188	851		13	93	348		1,498	
June 30, 1913	552	756	15	2,193	4,118		1	5	375	651	69	1,101	2	4		74	782		2	93	370		1,327	
June 30, 1914	593	667	27	2,141	4,086		3	3	484	726	79	1,295	3	3		85	843			120	279		1,335	
June 30, 1915	661	632	28	2,205	4,138		2	4	498	802	81	1,387	5	1		91	805			111	306		1,319	
June 30, 1916	654	658	34	2,192	4,294		5		536	833	101	1,476	4	1		115	908			149	347		1,534	
June 30, 1917	670	610	34	2,154	4,153		5	1	444	838	95	1,383	3	2	1	86	886			137	391		1,506	
June 30, 1918	632	594	25	2,021	4,806		7	4	390	696	63	1,159	7	4		56	948			55	380		1,490	
June 30, 1919	578	537	28	1,737	2,302	3,354	8	1	252	626	89	978	5	1	3	32	647			53	815		1,056	

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1928—Continued

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain					Loss												
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped from roll	Death	Transfer to Government Hospital for Insane	Total
							Appointment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
June 30, 1920	590	581	23	1,754	2,362	3,276	2		299	528	163	992				155	548				42	317		1,062
June 30, 1921	583	598	20	1,651	2,272	3,595	1	2	858	588	107	1,556		1		163	816				39	296		1,315
June 30, 1922	253	588	19	1,609	2,216	3,490	5	1	467	597	145	1,215	3	1		199	888		2		79	264		1,436
June 30, 1923	449	641	19	1,385	2,026	3,102	1	1	375	472	197	1,046	1	2		182	624				81	238		1,128
June 30, 1924	462	536	38	1,395	1,969	3,262	1	1	571	511	203	1,287		2		243	838		1		90	216		1,390
June 30, 1925	528	516	47	1,428	1,986	3,462	4	3	742	632	214	1,595	4	1		239	842				166	244		1,496
June 30, 1926	565	534	60	1,585	2,162	3,990	1	4	912	845	252	2,014	2	3		266	1,008				346	245		1,870
June 30, 1927	544	504	65	1,573	2,143	4,379	51	1	1,108	1,004	152	2,270		3	2	1	215	1,212			534	203		2,170
June 30, 1928	586	583	79	1,782	2,444	5,202	3	3	1,565	1,187	235	2,993	2	4		258	1,281				631	192		2,568
Total							83	30	27,422	19,482	4,746	51,772	53	38	9	3	5,668	25,185	16	618	6,833	10,206	312	48,941

1 Discharged.

Total number cared for from date of organization, 51,772.

FORMER OFFICERS

Governors:

Col. A. J. Smith, April 1, 1885, to June 30, 1897.
Col. A. C. Rowland, July 1, 1897, to August 5, 1903.
Col. S. G. Cooke, January 5, 1904, to February 28, 1925.
Brig. Gen. Charles H. Barth, May 4, 1925, to December 5, 1926.

Treasurers:

Maj. W. S. Shockley, October 10, 1885, to August 31, 1901.
Maj. William W. Martin, September 9, 1901, to July 31, 1918.

Surgeons:

Maj. J. L. Weaver, January 19, 1886, to July 31, 1893.
Maj. Daniel C. Jones, October 21, 1893, to October 14, 1899.
Maj. A. G. Hull, October 15, 1899, to June 30, 1904.
Maj. John L. Fryer, July 1, 1904, to October 31, 1913; June 1, 1917, to October 3, 1917; and April 1, 1919, to July 1, 1920.
Maj. John A. Barker, November 1, 1913, to May 31, 1917.
Maj. Arthur W. Bartel, October 20, 1917, to March 31, 1918, and July 1, 1920, to August 1, 1922.
Maj. Robert Conard, August 1, 1922, to September 15, 1925.

Quartermasters:

Col. U. B. Pearsall, January 1, 1900, to February 28, 1907.
Lieut. Col. Robert H. Hunt, June 20, 1907, to June 24, 1908.
Capt. Charles W. Pearsall, July 28, 1908, to February 26, 1915.
Capt. George D. Vogelsong, March 1, 1915, to January 6, 1918.
Capt. M. E. Drew, January 7, 1918, to July 31, 1918.
Capt. Frank C. Kibbey, August 1, 1918, to January 1, 1922.
Capt. J. S. Gamble, January 1, 1922, to February 28, 1926.

Quartermaster and commissary of subsistence:

Capt. D. C. Goodrich, November 17, 1888, to December 31, 1900.

Commissary of subsistence:

Capt. D. C. Goodrich, January 1, 1900, to September 30, 1912.
Capt. Hiram Crampton, October 1, 1912, to November 13, 1916.

Inspector:

Capt. E. A. Waterhouse, May 6, 1907, to June 30, 1910.

Adjutants and inspectors:

Capt. E. A. Waterhouse, July 1, 1910, to March 4, 1914.
Capt. M. E. Drew, March 5, 1914, to January 6, 1918.
Capt. Frank C. Kibbey, January 8, 1918, to August 1, 1918.
Capt. Clark W. Hines, August 11, 1918, to April 4, 1919.
Capt. J. S. Gamble, May 15, 1919, to January 1, 1922.
Capt. A. B. Conley, February 1, 1922, to February 28, 1926.

Chaplains:

Rev. W. J. Gillespie, October 1, 1886, to June 30, 1898.
Rev. Thomas H. Kinsella, November 1, 1902, to February 28, 1910.
Rev. Owen E. Degan, April 1, 1918, to December 12, 1918.
Rev. James M. Payne, June 27, 1898, to October 1, 1921.
Rev. Delphos L. Berry, December 31, 1921, to September 30, 1927.
Rev. Charles S. Vail, October 1, 1927, to March 31, 1928.

Senior assistant surgeons:

Capt. Lloyd G. Campbell, March 1, 1913, to May 25, 1916.
Capt. John L. Fryer, May 26, 1916, to May 31, 1917.
Capt. John J. Moore, June 1, 1917, to July 28, 1917.
Capt. Oliver A. Menges, December 15, 1917, to March 31, 1919.
Capt. A. W. Bartel, April 1, 1918, to July 1, 1920.
Capt. Oliver A. Menges, July 1, 1920, to August 1, 1922.
Capt. A. W. Bartel, August 1, 1922, to August 1, 1926.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Trans- portation	Repairs	Farm	Total branch	Clothing	Total
CASH STATEMENT										
From general treasurer.....	\$71,600.00	\$270,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$148,000.00	\$500.00	\$66,000.00	\$26,000.00	\$732,100.00	\$2,600.16	\$734,700.16
Collections.....	1,058.10	15,667.00	1,475.32	493.85	-----	934.35	2,122.04	21,750.66	794.91	22,545.57
Total.....	72,658.10	285,667.00	151,475.32	148,493.85	500.00	66,934.35	28,122.04	753,850.66	3,395.07	757,245.73
Disbursed.....	72,334.45	284,819.43	148,554.41	147,167.71	499.02	65,555.95	27,579.72	746,510.69	3,395.07	749,905.76
Returned to general treasurer.....	323.65	847.57	2,920.91	1,326.14	.98	1,378.40	542.32	7,339.97	-----	7,339.97
COST OF OPERATION										
Paid by treasurer.....	72,334.45	284,819.43	148,554.41	147,167.71	499.02	65,555.95	27,579.72	746,510.69	3,395.07	749,905.76
General Accounting Office settlements.....	2.95	-----	-----	42.86	-----	-----	-----	45.81	37.08	82.89
Aggregate.....	72,337.40	284,819.43	148,554.41	147,210.57	499.02	65,555.95	27,579.72	746,556.50	3,432.15	749,988.65
Less collections.....	1,058.24	15,667.00	1,475.32	493.85	-----	934.35	2,122.04	21,750.80	704.91	22,545.71
Net cost.....	71,279.16	269,152.43	147,079.09	146,716.72	499.02	64,621.60	25,457.68	724,805.70	2,637.24	724,442.94
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA										
Personal services.....	37.86	24.44	16.74	72.07	-----	17.74	9.00	178.45	1.32	179.77
Supplies.....	1.58	125.25	61.14	7.33	.28	9.97	3.68	209.23	.16	209.39
Equipment.....	.56	1.35	4.66	2.93	-----	8.56	1.01	19.07	-----	19.07
Total.....	40.00	151.04	82.54	82.33	.28	36.27	14.29	406.75	1.48	406.23

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.06; supplies, \$0.32; total, \$0.38.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on next expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members, temporarily at post members, and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$39,566.66	Disbursed during the year:	
Received from Bureau of Pensions.....	776,988.63	To Treasury of the United States....	\$122.00
Canceled checks.....	493.00	To pensioners.....	\$717,690.52
Transferred from Battle Mountain Sanitarium.....	70.00	To families.....	52,307.27
Proceeds from check No. 98481.....	72.00		769,937.79
Checks outstanding 3 years, canceled.....	100.00	Transferred to post fund.....	20,128.56
		Transferred to Southern Branch.....	6,259.95
Total.....	817,290.29	Balance.....	21,841.99
		Total.....	817,290.29

Of the above balance, \$7,660.58 is standing to the credit of deceased members.

THE RATE AND NUMBER OF PENSIONERS

Rate per month	Number, June 30, 1927	Gain		Total	Loss		Number, June 30, 1928
		By admission, readmission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
6	8	10		18	7	5	6
8	2	6		8	1	4	3
10	4	9		13	3	5	5
12	11	10	2	23	7	3	13
14		1		1		1	
15	1		1	2	1		1
17	13	15	4	32	9	4	19
18		1		1	1		
20	62	96	2	160	32	76	52
22		1		1	1		
24	9	6		15	7	3	5
25	63	114	20	197	51	62	84
30	148	191	83	422	147	97	178
40	167	205	105	477	186	60	231
50	402	348	103	853	385	21	447
60	1	1		2	1		1
72	364	132	21	517	196		321
80	1	3		4	3		1
82	1			1	1		
90		2		2	1		1
	1,257	1,151	341	2,749	1,040	341	1,368

Actual number of pensioners cared for (from total deduct the number gained by change of rate), 2,406.

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward.....	\$12,314.00	Transferred to general post fund.....	\$19,228.08
Store: Sales, etc.....	44,146.59	Store: Merchandise, services, etc.....	36,104.11
Hotel and restaurant: Sales, etc.....	29,407.84	Hotel and restaurant: Merchandise, etc.....	26,903.23
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	1,171.85	Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	12,079.69
Miscellaneous.....	190.11	Repairs.....	10,674.28
Posthumous pension fund.....	20,128.56	Miscellaneous.....	13,642.03
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	4,887.50	Posthumous pension fund.....	1,152.63
Transferred from general post fund.....	30,000.00	Posthumous fund, act of June 25, 1910....	6,135.22
Refundment, overpayment on voucher 82, September quarter, 1927.....	15.92	Balance.....	16,335.18
Refundment, overpayment on voucher 11, June quarter, 1928.....	2.00		
Total.....	142,264.37	Total.....	142,264.37

Post fund—Continued

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount
Cash.....	\$16,335.18	Cash.....	\$12,314.00
Store: Fixtures, \$1,302.30; stock, \$3,882.24.....	5,184.54	Store: Fixtures, \$1,302.40; stock, \$3,647.19.....	4,949.59
Hotel, etc.: Fixtures, \$5,630.90; stock, \$789.25.....	6,420.15	Hotel, etc.: Fixtures, \$5,769.99; stock, \$528.40.....	6,298.39
Amusement fixtures.....	26,434.70	Amusement fixtures.....	25,408.32
Buildings.....	88,168.27	Buildings.....	87,164.36
Miscellaneous.....	4,340.32	Miscellaneous.....	4,395.79
Total.....	146,883.16	Total.....	140,530.45
Liabilities.....	6,763.91	Liabilities.....	1,271.00

EMPLOYEES PAID FROM POST FUND

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Store.....	5		\$2,449.32
Hotel.....	3	3	3,596.20
Restaurant.....	1		480.00
Library.....	4		1,671.20
Wheel-chair attendants.....	3		449.55
Choir.....	7	2	2,900.80
Theater, billiard hall, etc.....	7		2,552.83
Superintendent post-fund office.....	1	1	1,728.00
Repairs, temporary.....			3,455.65
Total.....			19,283.55

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games, and library free of charge.

There were given 290 band concerts, 78 motion-picture shows, 19 baseball games, and 6 theatrical performances.

Under this head there was expended for—

78 motion-picture shows.....	\$1,975.00
19 baseball games.....	1,425.00
6 theatrical entertainments (5 given gratis).....	25.00
Books, etc., and club-room equipment, radio equipment, etc.....	3,425.07
For services, members of the band and other employees authorized.....	5,229.62
Total.....	12,079.69

The expenditures from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$12,079.69, a per capita of \$6.77 plus, figured on the average present.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital is divided into 17 wards and has a capacity for 395 patients. Quarters for convalescents (barracks 10, 11, 12) provide for 355 and tubercular cottage for 83 patients. Combination barracks have a capacity of 355.

There are 8 assistant surgeons, 1 chief, and 26 female trained nurses, and 1 male nurse. On June 30 there were 318 patients in hospital, 275 sick in quarters, and 704 members at sick call. There were 77 vacant beds in hospital on that date.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year were as follows:

	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Average present sick in hospital.....	321	306
Average present sick in quarters.....	265	238
Total average sick.....	586	544
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	32.90	34.72
Number treated in hospital.....	1,487	1,472
Number treated at sick call.....	2,260	2,167
Died in the home.....	167	180
Died while absent from the home.....	25	23
Total deaths.....	192	203
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	36.90	46.35
Average age at death.....	71	70.53
Number of insane cared for.....	236	206
Number of blind cared for.....	6	10
Total patients in the Government Hospital for the Insane.....	12	12
Number of insane present June 30.....	71	72
Number of blind present June 30.....	3	8
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	209	235
Number of tubercular patients June 30.....	60	55

Causes of death during the year and number of deaths from each cause:

Cerebral hemorrhage.....	14
Myocarditis, chronic.....	70
Tuberculosis, pulmonary.....	16
Neuritis, multiple, pneumogastric implication.....	1
Meningitis, acute.....	1
Gastroenteritis, acute.....	4
Valvular heart disease (mitral insufficiency).....	6
Diabetes mellitus.....	2
Paralysis, general, cerebral type.....	1
Pneumonia.....	5
Carcinoma, stomach.....	4
Carcinoma, liver.....	3
Carcinoma, prostate gland.....	1
Carcinoma, jaw.....	1
Carcinoma, adeno face, left.....	1
Starvation, psychosis with cerebral arteriosclerosis.....	1
Dislocation occiput from atlas (suicide).....	1
Asthma.....	1
Syphilis, tertiary.....	4
Paresis, general.....	1
Oystitis, chronic.....	1
Psychosis, senile, simple deterioration.....	1
Arteriosclerosis, general.....	1
Concussion of brain (suicide).....	1
Pleurisy, suppurative, chronic.....	1
Nephritis, interstitial.....	4
General paralysis of the insane.....	1
Psychosis with cerebral syphilis.....	1
Endocarditis, septic.....	1
Uremia, acute.....	1

Causes of death during the year and number of deaths from each cause—Continued.

Cerebral syphilis.....	1
Aneurism, aortic.....	1
Cirrhosis of liver, hypertrophic.....	1
Anemia, pernicious.....	2
Septicemia staphylococcus streptococcus.....	1
Gastritis, chronic.....	1
Heart block with auricular fibrillation, leucic origin.....	1
Dilatation, cardiac, chronic.....	1
Alcohol (ethyl) poisoning, acute.....	1
Influenza, gastrointestinal type.....	1
Rheumatic fever.....	1
Auricular fibrillation.....	1
Peritonitis, general.....	1
Angina pectoris.....	1
Gangrene, moist.....	1

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Number of operations performed during the year:

Major.....	108
Minor.....	69
Total.....	177

Average number of hospital employees:

Male.....	123
Female.....	63
Total.....	186

Amount expended from appropriation for hospital during the year:

Services.....	\$128,412.54
Drugs and medicines.....	5,738.84
Wines, liquors, alcohol, and beer.....	252.97
All other supplies and appliances.....	12,134.22
Total.....	146,538.57

Quartermaster's department—Buildings

	Services	Material	Cost
Construction: During the year there was constructed one stable destroyed by fire, reconstructed.....			\$12,658.00
Repairs: Painting interior and exterior of buildings and washing interior walls of buildings.....	\$5,918.27	\$4,147.72	
Other repairs:			
Hospital and hospital annex.....	4,176.47	2,961.21	
Barracks and buildings.....	5,075.13	3,094.06	
Steam, gas, and water lines.....	3,623.88	2,101.79	
Boiler house and shops.....	3,345.60	2,776.58	
Roads.....	749.26	514.40	
Electric lines, circuits, etc., tunnels.....	2,174.92	1,127.77	
Stables, greenhouse, and farm.....	900.93	880.21	
Post fund.....	582.33	251.95	
Quarters.....	2,673.40	2,702.94	
Supervision.....	2,400.00		
Total.....	31,620.28	20,558.03	

FARM

Stable.—Average number of public animals kept during the year: 8 horses; appraised value, \$400; average number of private horses kept, 1; number and kind of public vehicles in use, 13 wagons, assorted 3 dumpcarts, 1 sprinkling wagon, 2 motor ambulances; 1 G. M. C. light aviation truck; 1 Ford 1-ton truck; 1 Ford 1-ton fire truck equipped with chemical tank and hose; 1 Fordson tractor. Feeds raised, \$553; feeds purchased, \$558.25; veterinary expense, \$33.

OPERATION OF DAIRY

Calves produced and added to the herd are accounted for under the heading "Herd"; calves sold, as such, are accounted for under the heading "Production"; feed raised and consumed and milk transferred to subsistence or sold are charged at market prices. No account is taken of pasturage on home grounds, this being offset by the manure.

Herd:

On hand June 30, 1927: 48 cows, 26 other cattle; value.....	\$4,600.00
On hand June 30, 1928: 46 cows, 30 other cattle; value.....	4,980.00
Increase.....	380.00
Expanded for stock added to herd.....	\$40.00
Received for stock sold out herd.....	549.23
Expenditures less than receipts.....	509.23
Net increase in investment.....	880.23

Cost of maintenance:

Feeds purchased.....	\$2,233.00
Feeds raised on farm and consumed.....	1,484.60
Veterinary and other expenses.....	231.00

Cost of maintenance—Contd.

Service, employees.....	\$2,965.60
Total cost.....	\$6,914.80

Production:

36,898¾ gallons milk, at 23.5 cents per gallon, used in commissary and sold.....	\$8,671.21
23 calves sold.....	121.15
Total receipts.....	8,792.36
Profit.....	1,877.56

Summary:

Increase in investment.....	\$880.23
Profit in operation.....	1,877.56
Net.....	2,766.79

In addition to the 36,898¾ gallons milk shown above, 3,652 gallons were used to feed 32 calves. The average daily yield per cow, figured on the average number of cows milked was 3.357 gallons. The average daily yield per cow, figured on the average number of cattle kept, was 1.48 gallons. Gallons of milk purchased during the year 104,290, at 2.35 cents per gallon. The cost of production of milk in commissary and sold was 18.74 cents per gallon. Average number of cows milked, 33. Average number of cattle kept, 75.

FARM AND GARDEN

One hundred and fifty acres were cultivated, as follows: 40 acres in corn; 60 acres forage crops; 30 acres in truck gardening, 1927 (none, 1928); 15 acres in orchards and vineyards; 5 acres used for raising field flowers and plants (truck gardening discontinued fall of 1927); approximately 20 acres turned to pasture.

Production and disposition

Articles	Use in commissary and sales	Consumed by farm	Hospital	Total products
1,325 pounds beans, green, at 4 cents per pound.....	\$53.00			\$53.00
9,074 pounds beets, at 1 cent per pound.....	90.74			90.74
3,620 pounds carrots, at 2 cents per pound.....	72.40			72.40
10,424 pounds cabbage, at 2 cents per pound.....	208.48			208.48
1590 dozen corn, green, at 10 cents per dozen.....	159.00			159.00
207 dozen cucumbers, at 5 cents dozen.....	14.85			14.85
5,840 dozen grapes, ripe, at 2 cents per pound.....	116.80			116.80
40,550 $\frac{1}{2}$ gallons milk, at 23.5 cents per gallon.....	8,671.21	\$858.22		9,529.43
11,823 pounds onions, at 3.5 cents per pound.....	413.81			413.81
13,350 pounds parsnips, at 1 cent per pound.....	133.50			133.50
387 dozen peppers, green, at 8 cents per dozen.....	30.96			30.96
14,635 pounds potatoes, sweet, at 2 cents per pound.....	292.70			292.70
1,212 pounds rhubarb, at 2 cents per pound.....	24.24			24.24
815 pounds squash, at 2 cents per pound.....	16.30			16.30
34,648 pounds tomatoes, ripe, at 3 cents per pound.....	1,039.44			1,039.44
10,095 pounds turnips, at 1.5 cents per pound.....	151.43			151.43
76,780 pounds corn, at \$1 per hundredweight.....		392.80	\$375.00	767.80
60 tons hay, at \$11 per ton.....		583.00	77.00	660.00
200 tons ensilage, at \$5 per ton.....		1,000.00		1,000.00
209 shocks corn fodder, at 20 cents per shock.....		41.80		41.80
43 $\frac{1}{4}$ cords wood, at \$6 per cord.....	183.00	78.00		261.00
23 calves, at \$5.30 and \$5.35 each.....	121.15			121.15
Flowers.....	169.40		1,821.00	1,990.40
Total.....	11,962.41	2,953.82	1,821.00	17,189.23

	Cost of operation		Expended for—		Value of farm products consumed	Total
	Average teams	Number employees	Services	Supplies		
Nonproductive:						
Upkeep, roads, cemetery, grounds, etc.....	1	5	\$2,571.40	\$925.56	\$109.00	\$3,605.96
Lawns, flower beds, etc.....		5	3,180.00	941.20		4,121.20
Teams, camp work, transportation.....	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	8	4,034.06	1,385.00	215.87	5,634.93
Gasoline to officers.....				497.86		497.86
Wood to quarters and west gate.....					78.00	78.00
Truck, tractor, and attachments.....				1,234.01		1,234.01
Total.....						15,221.96
Productive:						
Farm.....	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	1,680.00	852.00	154.33	2,686.33
Vegetable gardens.....		1	840.00	327.00		1,167.00
Greenhouse.....		3	1,824.00	685.95	55.80	2,565.75
Dairy.....		5	2,965.60	2,464.60	2,342.82	7,773.02
Total.....						14,192.10

¹ \$452 loss by fire.

One Ford 1-ton truck added to transportation; 1 Fordson tractor purchased; total expense of operating productive enterprises under this head, \$14,192.10; value of products, \$17,189.23; total profit, \$2,997.13.

HEATING, LIGHTING AND POWER PLANT, WATER, AND GAS

The steam plant consists of five 300-horsepower Sterling water-tube boilers, one installed in 1902, two in 1897, two in 1892, and two 250-horsepower Sterling water-tube boilers installed in 1895; two 300-horsepower Heine tube boilers installed in 1922; two fuel-oil pumps installed in 1907; one fire pump installed in 1919; two vacuum pumps, one installed in 1912, one in 1927; one motor-driven hot-water circulating pump installed in 1912; two boiler feed pumps installed, one in 1920, one in 1912; one open water heater installed in 1919; one closed water heater installed in 1912 and one in 1922; one oil meter replaced in 1926; two water meters; and eight cylinder regulators.

The lighting system consists of two engines direct connected to 60-kilowatt, one hundred and ten 22-volt (McEwen) installed in 1910, (Skinner) installed in 1911; 3-wire direct-current dynamo installed in 1895; one engine bolted to two dynamos, 55 kilowatts each, and necessary switchboard equipped with usual instruments installed in 1895. Electric current was purchased from local firm, who furnished converter and transformers which are installed in local plant. Home plant operates only when contractor is unable to furnish electrical energy.

The refrigeration and ice plant consists of one direct-connected engine and double-cylinder ammonia compressor installed in 1912; one brine tank installed in 1912; one replaced in 1925; two condensers and filters rebuilt in 1922 and 1927; one brine pump installed in 1926; one ice hoist replaced, new, in 1925.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees:		Repairs, including parts.....	\$2,552.37
Steam plant.....	\$11,068.00	New units of machinery purchased	
Refrigeration and ice plant.....	1,308.00	(pump drill press, lathe chuck).....	922.75
	12,376.00	All other supplies.....	424.30
Fuel.....	80,281.22	Total.....	96,822.36
Oils, other than fuel.....	265.72		

Fuel: 2,000,789 gallons of fuel oil, at average of \$0.03859 per gallon. Year prior, 1,989,404 gallons of fuel oil were purchased at average of \$0.04308 per gallon. Eighty-nine and one-fifth tons of bituminous coal were purchased at \$6.25 per ton.

Electric current: Electric current produced 442 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.0295; purchased, 485,170 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.0148; total cost of current, \$7,194.34.

Gas: Gas was used for cooking, general mess, hospital wards and kitchens, nurses' cottage, officers' and employees' quarters, dairy, barber shop, store, laundry, bakery, and boiler house; 7,837,260 cubic feet were purchased at \$5.516.04. Year prior, 7,163,500 cubic feet were purchased at \$6,969.62.

Water: Daily average consumption of water was 305,218 gallons; purchased 111,404,610 gallons at \$0.1183 per thousand gallons, \$13,182.95; prior year purchased 93,128,439 gallons at \$0.1218 per thousand gallons.

Ice: Capacity of ice plant, 9 tons refrigeration and 6 tons ice; 972½ tons produced at a cost of \$2.50 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY-CLEANING PLANT

Laundry machinery and equipment consists of five washing machines (four American, one Troy); three extractors (two Troy, one American); one 5-cylinder mangle (Troy Duplex); two body ironers (American); two pressers (Prosperity); two motors; one starch cooker; one soap-chip tank; two dry tumblers (Troy); dry-cleaning equipment of three washing machines (Troy); one extractor (Troy); one large pressing machine (Hoffman); two exhaust fans; one motor; one dry tumbler (Troy); one Singer sewing machine.

Cost of operation

	Employees		Amount for services	Supplies	Parts	Total
	Male	Female				
Laundry.....	6	6	\$5,949.27	\$1,458.51	\$305.19	\$7,712.97
Dry-cleaning plant.....	3	0	1,432.00	330.63	42.00	1,804.63
Total.....	9	6	7,381.27	1,789.14	347.19	9,517.60

Pieces laundered, 881,874; cost per piece, \$0.0087; cost per capita, \$4.25. Pieces dry cleaned, 36,236; cost per piece, \$0.0498; cost per capita, \$1.01.

Average number of members and civilian employees receiving laundry service, 1,814; dry-cleaning service, 1,753.

Clothing

Articles	Issued for use	Con- demned	In storehouses June 30, 1928		
			New	Reissue	Value
Belts.....	88	94		12	\$1.20
Coats:					
Dress.....	1,917	505	222	205	2,160.62
Great.....	148	23		196	954.88
Drawers:					
Heavy.....	1,291	874	355	248	342.71
Light.....	1,398	1,474	36	1	9.99
Hats, wool.....	1,816	437	154	10	278.80
Shirts:					
Olive drab.....	364	823			
Chambray.....	2,577	2,176	100	186	163.02
Cotton.....	412	88	85		91.80
Shoes.....	2,371	971		117	281.97
Slippers.....	244				
Socks:					
Cotton.....	5,498	6,516	300	45	37.95
Wool.....	117	190			
Suspenders.....	924	592		10	2.80
Trousers.....	3,411	918	50	82	385.44
Undershirts:					
Cotton.....	1,937	1,276	165	25	40.40
Wool.....	1,039	753	383	290	873.40
Vests.....	959	386	169	151	398.20

Value clothing condemned, \$15,055.52; value clothing received from general depot, \$22,685.29.

Employment

[Employees under the general fund and amount paid during the year]

	Officers	Members	Non- members	Total
Authorized number.....	16			324
Average daily employed.....	16	214	239	479
Total amount paid.....	\$39,788.16	\$100,616.47	\$179,960.08	\$320,364.71
Prior year:				
Authorized number.....	16			513
Average daily employed.....	16	195	258	469
Total amount paid.....	\$37,800.27	\$89,979.63	\$186,397.46	\$314,177.36

NONMEMBER EMPLOYEES

Average number of men.....	125	Janitress.....	1
Average number of women.....	114	Laborers.....	55
Total.....	239	Laundry employees.....	7
Bakers.....	3	Mason.....	1
Blacksmith.....	1	Head waiters.....	3
Builders and carpenters.....	4	Musician, chief.....	1
Chaplains.....	2	Musicians (average).....	9
Driver.....	1	Nurse, chief.....	1
Clerks.....	16	Nurses, women.....	25
Cooks.....	13	Operators, telephone.....	3
Dairymen.....	3	Painters.....	3
Dish washers.....	5	Plumbers and helpers.....	4
Druggists.....	2	Printer.....	1
Electrician.....	1	Stableman.....	1
Engineer, chief.....	1	Steam fitters and helpers.....	2
Engineers.....	4	Tailor.....	1
Farmers and farm hands.....	10	Technicians.....	2
Firemen.....	3	Tinsmith.....	1
Gardener.....	1	Walters.....	48
		Total.....	239

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general camp and hospital. In addition to the general mess hall, four barracks are equipped with a combination kitchen and dining room for aged and infirm members.

The mess-hall capacity of the branch at one sitting is as follows: General mess hall, 706; combination messes, 200; noncommissioned officers' and clerks' mess, 30; hospital general mess, 200; tubercular cottage mess, 83; nurses' mess 31; total, 1,250.

Average number of persons served by waiter at each sitting in above messes is, respectively, 27, 22, 20, 11, 30, and 28.

Average sittings each meal, average number served daily each meal, average number of employees, and cost of rations

	Sit- tings	Number served	Employees		Cost of rations	
			Dining room	Kitchen	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
General mess.....	2	1,078	20	27	\$0.3093	\$0.3207
Auxiliary mess.....	2	400	9	10	.2316	.2577
Hospital general mess.....	2	240	6	8	.3976	.3966
Tubercular cottage mess.....	1	45	4	3	.5794	.6542
Noncommissioned officers' and clerks' mess.....	1	30	1	1	.2765	.2758
Nurses' mess.....	1	28	1	2	.2786	.2994

Cost per capita, special diet, based on average number sick in hospital, none; cost per capita, special dinners, etc., purchased from post fund, based on average subsisted, none.

The average daily consumption, per man, on some of the food articles, was as follows: Bread, 5.85 ounces; meat and fish, 13.04 ounces; coffee and tea, 1.25 ounces; milk, 1.58 pints; cheese, 0.21 ounce; oleo, 1.09 ounces; sugar, 3.39 ounces; cereal, 1.22 ounces; vegetables, 17.37 ounces.

Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same, during the year

Article	Quantity	Total cost	Article	Quantity	Total cost
Bacon.....	38,015½	\$8,225.37	Onions.....	44,531	\$1,114.15
Beef, dressed.....	220,981	40,924.20	Potatoes.....	473,434	9,972.68
Eggs (dozen).....	61,106	16,857.51	Sugar.....	151,727	9,164.04
Ham.....	32,269	6,864.87	Beans, navy.....	18,086	1,191.70
Flour.....	256,638	7,290.40	Beans, lima.....	8,574	593.57
Cheese.....	9,750¼	2,415.83	Rice.....	18,654	781.57
Oleo.....	50,118	6,466.89	Apples, evaporated.....	1,896	192.49
Coffee.....	57,343	14,261.69	Peaches, evaporated.....	7,065	736.82
Pork shoulders.....	27,529½	3,912.08	Pork, salt.....	23,839	3,669.55
Milk.....	141,083	33,533.79			

Swill and garbage, 12 months at \$50 per month, sold for \$600.

Bakery—Operation and average cost per pound of bread, etc., produced

	Pounds of flour and meal used	Pounds of bread, etc., produced	Cost per pound
Bread.....	213,420	297,818	\$0.02396
Cake.....	14,420	49,404	.0695
Pies.....	7,260	26,499	.1107
Ice cream..... gallons.....		1,224	.6231
Total.....	235,100	373,711	

Average pounds of bread produced from 100 pounds of flour, 139.545.

Average number of employees, 3; amount paid employees, \$2,990.67; cost of fuel, \$1,512.52; total, \$4,503.19.

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 75 persons, and is open daily between the hours of 8.30 a. m. and 4.30 p. m. and evenings; 26 newspapers and 997 periodicals were supplied; 268 volumes new books purchased during year. Total number of volumes, 10,565. There are four persons employed in the library; cost of services, \$1,671.20. There were 21,542 books circulated or read.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 250 persons. Five choristers were employed. Regular services were held two times per week; average attendance, 200. Other services three times per week. The chaplain officiated at 116 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital seven times per week.

Catholic.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 200 persons; four choristers were employed. Regular services were held fifteen times per week; average attendance, 60. Other services Good Friday and holy days. The chaplain officiated at 15 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital daily except Sunday.

CEMETERY

There were 127 buried in the cemetery during the year. Total number buried there, 7,590; total capacity of the cemetery unlimited.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 10.5; paid from general fund \$9,135; clothing, \$330; subsistence, \$1,169.15; total, \$10,634.15.

GENERAL

A very noticeable improvement in the appearance and condition of the home has taken place during the fiscal year covered by this report. The lawns particularly present a far better appearance due to the use of a horse-drawn lawn mower purchased during the year, and the roads are in better condition than a year ago, especially Cooke Drive. This is the scenic drive of the branch, and is in excellent condition for the first time in years. The additional trees and shrubbery set out during the year will add much to the beauty of the grounds in years to come. Repair work has been supervised to insure workmanship of a sound and permanent character to avoid necessity of repetition of work in same place. The work of rewiring the buildings of the branch, which has been commenced, is a very fine and much-needed improvement; also the work being done on steam and water lines, which is much needed.

C. I. MARTIN, *Governor.*

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE PACIFIC BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Branch established 1888 by act of Congress approved March 21, 1866. Located in Los Angeles County, 4 miles east of Santa Monica; post office address, Soldiers Home, Calif. The reservation comprises 675.5 acres, of which 365.5 acres are included in lawns, parks, and cemetery, and 7.65 miles of roadway; 290 acres are used for farming, gardening, and orchards, and 20 acres in pasture. There are 112 buildings on the reservation, including 12 barracks, frame, maximum capacity 2,100 members; 3 hospital buildings, 1 brick, 1 frame, and 1 reinforced concrete and tile, maximum capacity 846 patients; and 85 other buildings, including storehouses, power house, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 3 are brick and 82 frame. Land acquired by donation; original cost of buildings, \$3,229,705.89; appraised value of buildings and grounds, \$7,219,891.24.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Steam with 7 boilers, 1,480 horsepower, using 2,000,911 gallons oil.	\$48,230.66
Gas: 6,451,000 cubic feet used for cooking.	4,724.65
Lighting:	
Electricity purchased, 661,905 kilowatt-hours.	\$8,172.80
Electricity generated, 353,600 kilowatt-hours.	6,927.48
	15,100.28
Water:	
Purchased, 117,038,250 gallons.	10,483.85
Pumped, 114,513,625 gallons.	5,851.65
	16,335.50
Ice: Made 618 tons.	599.46
Laundry: 2,493,550 pieces laundered.	11,468.32
Dry-cleaning plant 51,106 pieces cleaned.	1,705.24

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1928	Fiscal year 1927
Average present:		
Hospital patients.	780	727
Domiciliary members.	2,170	2,221
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital patients.	\$2.364	\$2.141
Domiciliary members.	\$0.661	\$0.699
Cost of food per day per person subsisted:		
Hospital mess.	\$0.4007	\$0.3936
Tuberculosis mess.	\$0.6035	\$0.5406
General mess.	\$0.2717	\$0.2691
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital mess.	874	836
Tuberculosis mess.	396	142
General mess.	2,164	2,066
Average present and absent.	3,862	3,852
Whole number cared for.	7,600	8,473
Per capita cost.	\$406.84	\$394.93

OFFICERS GAINED DURING FISCAL YEAR 1928

Dr. P. H. Esslinger, assistant surgeon, by appointment, July 11, 1927.
Dr. J. P. Savage, assistant surgeon, by transfer, July 11, 1927.
Capt. E. B. Newcomb, quartermaster, by appointment, October 10, 1927.
Dr. J. E. Hewitt, assistant surgeon, by appointment, February 1, 1928.

Dr. L. O. Hobson, assistant surgeon, by appointment, February 17, 1928.
Dr. R. E. Smith, assistant surgeon, by appointment, April 1, 1928.
Dr. W. W. Peterson, assistant surgeon, by appointment, May 18, 1928.
Dr. C. W. McClanahan, assistant surgeon, by transfer, March 1, 1928.

OFFICERS LOST DURING FISCAL YEAR 1928

Capt. William Martin, quartermaster, by resignation, October 31, 1927.
Dr. C. M. Tinney, assistant surgeon, by resignation, December 31, 1927.
Dr. H. H. Thompson, assistant surgeon, by resignation, January 29, 1928.
Dr. J. R. Neal, assistant surgeon, by resignation, January 31, 1928.

Dr. J. E. Hewitt, assistant surgeon, by resignation, March 14, 1928.
Dr. P. H. Esslinger, assistant surgeon, by resignation, May 17, 1928.
Dr. R. E. Bond, assistant surgeon, by resignation, June 30, 1928.

Return for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT		LOSS—continued	
For duty:		Discharge.....	1,933
Governor.....	1	Dropped from roll.....	1,087
Treasurer.....	1	Death, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	243
Surgeon.....	1	Death, other service.....	231
Quartermaster.....	1	Total.....	3,624
Commissary of subsistence.....	1		
Adjutant and inspector.....	1		
Chaplain.....	1		
Assistant surgeons.....	19		
Total.....	26		
		MISCELLANEOUS	
Firing squad sergeant.....	1	Changes:	
Commissary sergeant.....	1	From present to absent.....	6,100
Hospital stewards.....	4	From absent to present.....	6,046
Company commanders.....	13	Total.....	12,146
Company sergeants.....	18	Total beds in barracks.....	2,100
Fatigue sergeants.....	1	Vacant.....	175
Total.....	38	Total beds in hospital for patients.....	846
Members subject to detail.....	1,189	Vacant.....	95
On extra duty:		Members present and absent June 30, 1928, having service other than Mexican or Civil Wars.....	3,133
Members.....	337	Colored members present and absent June 30, 1928.....	156
Sick in hospital:			
Members.....	751	AVERAGES	
Sick in quarters:		Average present.....	2,950
Members.....	598	Average present and absent.....	3,862
Total present:		Whole number cared for.....	7,630
Commissioned officers.....	26	Average temporarily at post.....	187
Noncommissioned officers.....	38	Average number of member employees.....	320
Members.....	2,875		
Aggregate:		AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED	
This return.....	2,913	Members.....	2,763
Last return.....	2,643	Temporarily at post.....	187
		Civilian employees.....	453
ABSENT		Total.....	3,403
With leave:			
Commissioned officers.....	12	WHAT WAR	
Members.....	1,001	Civil.....	1,059
Sick in G. H. I.: Members.....	10	Spanish-American.....	2,600
Without leave:		World.....	3,941
Members.....	52	Total.....	7,600
Total absent:			
Commissioned officers.....	12	WHAT SERVICE	
Members.....	1,063	Army.....	7,356
Aggregate:		Marines.....	97
This return.....	1,063	Navy.....	149
Last return.....	1,009	Total.....	7,600
PRESENT AND ABSENT		OFFENSES	
Commissioned officers.....	26	Major:	
Noncommissioned officers.....	38	Penal offenses.....	3
Members.....	3,938	Bringing in intoxicating liquors.....	34
Aggregate:		Drunkenness on duty.....	9
This return.....	3,976	Absence without leave while under sen- tence.....	34
Last return.....	3,652	Insubordination.....	24
		Total.....	104
GAIN			
Appointment (officers).....	16	Minor:	
Transfer (officers).....	12	Absence without leave.....	82
Admission, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	152	Drunkenness.....	217
Admission, other service.....	1,998	Disorderly conduct.....	50
Readmission.....	1,627	Violation of rules.....	45
Transfer.....	171	Other misconduct.....	2
Total.....	3,948	Total.....	306
		Total offenses.....	600
LOSS			
Resignation (officers).....	16		
Transfer.....	130		

1 Commissioned officers not included in totals or aggregates.

Ages

Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number
21.....	25	41.....	165	61.....	99	81.....	122
22.....	35	42.....	122	62.....	75	82.....	120
23.....	35	43.....	113	63.....	76	83.....	119
24.....	63	44.....	113	64.....	61	84.....	96
25.....	58	45.....	129	65.....	49	85.....	84
26.....	72	46.....	131	66.....	56	86.....	57
27.....	116	47.....	130	67.....	50	87.....	50
28.....	109	48.....	170	68.....	31	88.....	36
29.....	184	49.....	165	69.....	25	89.....	16
30.....	218	50.....	209	70.....	34	90.....	16
31.....	224	51.....	221	71.....	21	91.....	8
32.....	233	52.....	241	72.....	29	92.....	4
33.....	231	53.....	156	73.....	19	93.....	5
34.....	223	54.....	138	74.....	26	94.....	4
35.....	226	55.....	135	75.....	22	95.....	1
36.....	221	56.....	109	76.....	16	96.....	1
37.....	211	57.....	113	77.....	22	97.....	1
38.....	221	58.....	104	78.....	31	Total..	7,600
39.....	213	59.....	93	79.....	53		
40.....	184	60.....	104	80.....	91		

Average age of members cared for:

Civil War.....	81.00
Spanish-American War.....	53.75
World War.....	35.61

Average age of members deceased:

Civil War.....	82.10
Mexican and Civil Wars.....	57.40
Other service.....	33.10

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss from date of organization to June 30, 1927

Date	Averages						Gain						Loss											
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent	Whole number cared for	Appointment	Transfer	Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary dis-charge	Dishonorable dis-charge	Dropped from rolls	Death	Transfer to Gov-ernment Hospi-tal for Insane	Total
													Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
June 30—																								
1888							1				1	2					3	11	1		2		1	19
1889	7	16	1	72	81	339	2		284	12	39	337				7	62			6	24	27	126	
1890	34	46	6	398	448	673			300	31	22	353				11	52			4	24	49	142	
1891	49	107	10	357	663	876			274	42	13	329				24	191	2			31	56	307	
1892	68	163	9	652	819	1,198	2		405	53	4	464				25	195			14	16	56	333	
1893	75	107	18	818	1,009	1,484			483	103	7	593				24	195			16	39	59	235	
1894	86	215	8	1,000	1,220	1,532			310	68	3	381			1	17	191			18	31	56	271	
1895	137	292	11	1,233	1,505	1,922	3		519	96	7	626	2			16	136			20	35	61	246	
1896	172	362	9	1,406	1,770	2,162			337	95	9	531				28	92			20	23	83	273	
1897	205	383	6	1,557	1,932	2,310			294	72	8	274				22	87			10	47	107	366	
1898	205	508	14	1,602	2,086	2,447	1	1	315	76	17	410		1		11	142			18	63	101	316	
1899	208	585	8	1,577	2,147	2,555	1		374	78	11	474	1			43	99			13	47	113	266	
1900	196	636	14	1,396	2,312	2,622	2		282	96	3	384	1		1	31	89			18	18	136	319	
1901	193	730	8	1,732	2,442	2,920			424	110	10	544				30	77			12	33	166	426	
1902	318	799	6	1,832	2,639	2,997	1		304	111	11	416	1			19	103			4	20	173	410	
1903	249	876	12	1,999	2,788	3,266			441	141	13	596				28	115			3	35	226	490	
1904	260	923	13	1,975	2,910	3,550			564	114	14	694				52	137			3	66	227	530	
1905	294	1,130	12	2,145	3,240	3,746			566	113	7	686				47	159			4	74	243	511	
1906	227	1,410	8	2,062	3,215	3,855	3		480	142	14	630	2			40	167			6	75	220	527	
1907	347	1,348	8	2,131	3,497	4,140			575	196	25	796				25	202			6	62	231	768	
1908	385	1,381	47	2,215	3,643	4,352	3		517	104	15	739	2			40	382			17	93	233	757	
1909	499	1,272	31	2,273	3,576	4,309	4		478	227	16	725	1			68	314			23	102	249	783	
1910	553	1,302	15	2,271	3,588	4,367	4	2	520	268	21	815	3		1	40	387			7	69	276	838	
1911	533	1,319	13	2,148	3,480	4,330	4	1	493	240	8	746	3			14	505			13	101	301	885	
1912	536	1,185	12	2,262	3,459	4,308	2	2	545	354	13	916	3		1	24	467			9	100	290	1,001	
1913	507	1,077	14	2,289	3,380	4,224	5	2	429	363	12	811	5			27	522				109	337	1,013	
1914	492	893	11	2,361	3,265	4,237	2	2	503	502	5	1,014	3	1		28	618				76	287	933	
1915	704	837	12	2,482	3,331	4,258	3	1	553	472	5	1,034	4			21	513				67	309	961	
1916	650	885	13	2,517	3,415	4,398	2		598	465	8	1,073	1		1	27	508				68	378	1,102	
1917	646	911	20	2,613	3,544	4,697	2	2	683	557	24	1,260	2	2		33	622				88	355	1,262	
1918	876	966	28	2,634	3,628	4,762	7		604	541	15	1,167	5	1	1	21	754			1	104	395	1,123	
1919	985	998	16	2,341	3,355	4,468	2		464	511	31	1,008	1		1	36	645				77	363	1,363	
1920	1,164	1,032	12	2,326	3,262	4,635	3		558	600	112	1,273	1			63	798				72	434	1,263	
1921	1,430	1,090	21	2,357	3,468	5,080	6	3	1,036	612	150	1,807	3	2	1	99	684				85	386	1,466	
1922	1,000	1,123	29	2,629	3,791	5,628	7	4	1,128	725	169	2,033	5			121	1,112			1	190	463	1,892	

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss from date of organization to June 30, 1927—Continued.

Date	Averages						Gain						Loss												
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent	Whole number cared for	Appointment	Transfer	Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary dis-charge	Dishonorable dis-charge	Dropped from rolls	Death	Transfer to Gov-ernment Hospi-tal for Insane	Total	
													Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped									
June 30—																									
1923	1,189	1,211	38	2,656	3,866	5,715	6	2	1,119	726	127	1,974	7	2			116	1,001			190	418			1,727
1924	1,271	1,110	49	2,847	3,981	6,293	4	3	1,424	725	154	2,303	5	1			181	1,511			349	426			2,461
1925	1,336	826	47	2,928	3,801	6,082	4	1	1,185	845	136	2,176	2	1			114	1,471			365	401			2,358
1926	1,265	855	48	3,008	3,906	6,706	6	2	1,634	1,107	165	2,906	5	1			137	1,482			672	494			2,786
1927	1,277	959	50	2,948	3,852	8,473	11	3	2,604	1,724	224	4,552	10	1		3	91	2,914		9	1,306	501			4,821
1928	1,411	1,011	52	2,950	3,862	7,600	6	2	2,180	1,627	171	3,948	6				130	1,933			1,087	474			3,624
Total							109	33	26,866	15,137	1,831	43,834	84	13	8	8	1,931	21,595	3	259	6,102	10,097	15		40,070

¹ Officers not included in totals.

FORMER OFFICERS FROM JUNE 30, 1910, TO JUNE 30, 1928

Governors.—Col. Patrick H. Barry, March 1, 1913, to December 30, 1920; Col. O. K. Marshall, February 1, 1921, to November 30, 1926.

Surgeons.—Maj. H. P. Dulaney, August 1, 1917, to November 5, 1920; Maj. Vernon Roberts, November 6, 1920, to June 30, 1923.

Quartermasters.—Capt. M. S. Murray, August 1, 1914, to March 31, 1923; Capt. E. B. Newcomb,¹ April 1, 1923, to July 17, 1926; Capt. W. M. Martin, July 17, 1926, to November 1, 1927.

Commissary of subsistence.—Capt. John Miller, July 1, 1916, to September 15, 1926.

Chaplain.—Rev. Mathias Kaufman, March 20, 1918, to December 31, 1922.

Senior assistant surgeons.—Capt. C. E. Perry, August 26, 1921, to September 16, 1921; Capt. Clyde Leeper, October 6, 1921, to February 19, 1922; Capt. A. C. Weaver, February 16, 1922, to September 30, 1923; Maj. E. B. Frisbee, November 10, 1923, to May 10, 1926.

¹ Reemployed in the same capacity Nov. 1, 1927.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Transportation	Repairs	Farm	Total branch	Clothing	Miscellaneous receipts	Total
CASH STATEMENT											
From general treasurer.....	\$79,500.00	\$499,200.00	\$145,000.00	\$382,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$68,500.00	\$30,000.00	\$1,205,200.00	\$3,578.04		\$1,207,778.04
Collections.....	2,311.55	13,749.56	808.06	903.83		363.68	8,386.84	26,523.52	1,361.27	\$4,268.17	\$2,152.96
Total.....	81,811.55	512,949.56	145,808.06	382,903.83	1,000.00	68,863.68	38,386.84	1,231,723.52	3,939.31	4,268.17	1,239,931.00
Disbursed.....	79,792.83	512,926.24	143,540.29	381,844.63	755.44	68,413.45	38,261.61	1,225,084.49	3,923.31		1,228,957.80
Returned to general treasurer.....	2,018.72	23.32	2,267.77	1,559.20	244.56	450.23	125.23	6,689.03	16.00	4,268.17	10,973.20
COST OF OPERATION											
Paid by treasurer.....	79,792.83	512,926.24	143,540.29	381,344.63	755.44	68,413.45	38,261.61	1,225,084.49	3,923.31		1,228,957.80
General accounting office settlements.....	386.96	57.02		411.40				855.38	84.44		939.82
Outstanding liabilities.....			895.00	333.45	18.72			1,247.17	15.82		1,262.99
Aggregate.....	80,179.79	512,983.26	144,435.29	382,069.48	774.16	68,413.45	38,261.61	1,227,137.04	4,023.57		1,231,160.61
Less collections.....	2,311.55	13,749.56	808.06	903.83		363.68	8,386.84	26,523.52	1,361.27		27,884.79
Net cost.....	77,868.24	499,233.70	143,627.23	381,185.65	774.16	68,049.77	29,874.77	1,200,613.52	2,662.30		1,203,275.82
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA											
Personal services.....	25.28	21.51	12.98	114.88		14.73	8.16	197.54	.77		196.31
Supplies.....	.63	142.75	28.95	8.55	.26	7.10	1.55	189.79	.13		189.92
Equipment.....	.49	4.97	6.76	5.78		1.24	.42	19.66			19.66
Total.....	26.40	169.23	48.69	129.21	.26	23.07	10.13	406.99	.90		407.89

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.051; supplies, \$0.357; total, \$0.406.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on net expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members, temporarily at post members, and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$106,453.79	Disbursed during the year:	
Received from Bureau of Pensions.....	1,334,050.66	To pensioners.....	\$1,156,361.61
Canceled checks.....	1,550.67	To families.....	133,412.97
			\$1,287,774.58
		Pensions returned.....	815.00
		Transferred to post fund.....	40,486.78
		Transferred to Marion Branch.....	524.33
		Balance.....	164,459.42
Total.....	1,442,055.11	Total.....	1,442,055.11

Of the above balance \$42,604.24 is standing to the credit of deceased members.

THE RATE AND NUMBER OF PENSIONERS

Rate per month	Number June 30, 1927	Gain		Total	Loss		Number June 30, 1928
		By admission, readmission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
\$6.00	16	3		19	5	4	10
8.00	6	2		8	1	4	3
10.00	5	2		7	2	2	3
12.00	110	11	5	126	9	104	13
14.00	2	2		4	1	1	2
15.00	136	1		137	1	135	1
16.00		1		1			1
17.00	17	15	4	36	10	2	24
18.00	225			225		225	
20.00	48	124	17	189	61	62	76
22.00	1			1		1	
23.54	1			1		1	
24.00	246	12	4	262	23	223	16
25.00	24	146	76	246	56	40	150
30.00	491	214	150	855	256	310	289
32.54			1	1			1
37.50	3			3		3	
40.00	13	216	398	627	230	36	361
46.60	1			1	1		
50.00	193	358	667	1,218	481	10	727
51.00			1	1			1
57.60			1	1			1
58.00	1			1	1		
60.00	4			4	2		2
64.44	1			1	1		1
72.00	594	166	128	888	332	4	552
75.00	4			4	4		
80.00	4	1	1	6	1		5
90.00	11	6	8	25	17		8
100.00	2			2	2		
125.00			2	2	1		1
	2,159	1,280	1,463	4,902	1,498	1,157	2,247

Actual number of pensioners cared for (from total deduct number gained by change of rate), 3,429.

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward	\$4,752.13	Transferred to general post fund	\$42,226.54
Stores: Sales, rent, etc.	5,944.85	Stores: Merchandise, services, etc.	1,112.17
Restaurant: Rent	600.00	Hotel and restaurant: Merchandise, etc.	28.89
Amusements, entertainments, etc.	828.27	Amusements, entertainments, etc.	14,831.25
Miscellaneous	310.37	Repairs	10,004.02
Posthumous pension fund	46,480.78	Miscellaneous	2,751.68
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910	13,892.95	Posthumous pension fund	3,245.03
Transferred from general post fund	28,600.00	Posthumous fund, act of June 25, 1910	2,647.52
		Balance	23,511.25
Total	101,318.35	Total	101,318.35

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount
Cash	\$7,451.60	Cash	\$23,511.25
Store (fixtures, \$1,001.35; stock, \$3,843.55)	4,844.90	Store: Fixtures	1,001.35
Hotel, etc.: Fixtures	720.50	Hotel, etc.: Fixtures	720.50
Amusement fixtures	18,850.45	Amusement fixtures	18,858.05
Buildings	78,050.00	Buildings	75,000.00
Miscellaneous	360.00	Miscellaneous	363.00
Total	110,277.45	Total	119,454.15

EMPLOYEES PAID FROM POST FUND

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Dormitory	1		\$360
Amusements	5		1,500
Library	2		1,200
Radio operators	1		480
Choir	4	6	2,040
Theater	2		600
Superintendent post fund office	1		1,200
Total	16	6	7,380

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games, and library free of charge.

There were given 429 band concerts, 179 motion-picture shows, 50 baseball games, and 115 theatrical performances.

Under this head there was expended for—

179 motion-picture shows	\$4,218.55
50 baseball games	1,061.75
115 theatrical entertainments	104.13
Books, etc., and club-room equipment	1,566.58
For services, members of the band and other employees authorized	7,380.00
Miscellaneous	500.24
Total	14,831.25

The expenditures from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$14,831.25, a per capita of \$5.028, figured on the average present.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital is divided into 38 wards, and has a capacity for 846 patients. Quarters for convalescents provided for 127 and tubercular cottage for 281 patients. Combination barracks have a capacity of 631.

There are 20 assistant surgeons, 78 female trained nurses, and 138 male nurses. On June 30 there were 751 patients in hospital, 598 sick in quarters, and 55 members at sick call. There were 95 vacant beds in hospital on that date.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year, were as follows:

	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Average present sick in hospital.....	780	727
Average present sick in quarters.....	631	550
Total average sick.....	1,411	1,277
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	47.83	43.31
Number treated in hospital.....	3,079	2,794
Number treated at sick call.....	3,793	5,255
Died in the home.....	428	427
Died while absent from the home.....	46	74
Total deaths.....	474	501
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	62.37	59.12
Average age at death.....	65.40	69.13
Number of insane cared for.....	133	129
Number of blind cared for.....	27	30
Number of insane sent to State hospital during the year.....	4	4
Total patients in the Government Hospital for the Insane.....	10	13
Number of insane present June 30.....	62	69
Number of blind present June 30.....	23	26
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	692	677
Number of tubercular patients June 30.....	239	306

Causes of death during the year, and number of deaths from each cause:

Atrophy of bladder.....	1
Aortitis.....	3
Apoplexy.....	2
Actinomycosis, intestinal.....	1
Abscess, brain.....	1
Abscess, perinephritic.....	1
Abscess, pelvic.....	1
Amebiasis abscess of liver.....	1
Angina pectoris.....	1
Aneurysm of aorta.....	4
Aortic regurgitation.....	4
Asthma.....	1
Arteriosclerosis.....	25
Cardiac hypertrophy.....	7
Cardiac dilatation.....	1
Cardiac asthma.....	1
Cardiac failure.....	7
Cerebral thrombosis.....	1
Cerebral apoplexy.....	1
Cerebral hemorrhage.....	23
Cancer—	
Lung.....	1
Larynx.....	1
Left hand.....	1
Neck.....	1
Carcinoma—	
Bladder.....	1
Oecum.....	1
Chin.....	1
Ear.....	1
Face.....	5
Gall duct.....	1
Liver.....	1
Mesentery.....	1
Ilium, right.....	1
Mouth.....	1
Neck.....	3
Prostate.....	4
Rectum.....	4
Stomach.....	10
Throat.....	2
Tongue.....	1
Carcinomatosis, abdomen.....	1
Cirrhosis, liver.....	2
Diabetes.....	3
Embolism, coronary.....	2
Encephalitis.....	1
Enteritis (tuberculosis).....	1
Endothelioma.....	1
Epithelioma, lower lip.....	1
Epithelioma, throat.....	1
Empyema.....	1
Erythema.....	1
Femur fracture.....	4
Fracture, vertebrae.....	1

Causes of death, etc.—Continued.

Gangrene—	
Feet.....	5
Appendix.....	2
Intestinal malignancy.....	1
Lukemia.....	1
Collapse of lungs.....	1
Malignancy head of pancreas.....	1
Mitral insufficiency.....	3
Mitral stenosis.....	2
Meningitis (tuberculosis).....	2
Myocardial insufficiency.....	3
Myocarditis (chronic).....	75
Nephritis (interstitial).....	13
Paresis.....	2
Pneumonia—	
Broncho.....	17
Lobar.....	11
Hypostatic.....	14
Psychosis, senile.....	1
Peritonitis (tuberculosis).....	1
Pulmonary fibrosis.....	1
Pyleonephritis.....	6
Lues.....	1
Sarcoma, spine.....	2
Senility.....	15
Skull fracture.....	1
Suicide.....	2
Tuberculosis, pulmonary.....	83
Syphilis.....	7
Thrombosis, coronary.....	1
Tumor, brain.....	1
Tumor, medulla.....	1
Transverse myelitis.....	1
Toxic psychosis.....	1
Number of operations performed during the year:	
Major.....	1,047
Minor.....	24,402
Total.....	25,449
Average number of hospital employees:	
Male.....	295
Female.....	152
Total.....	447
Amount expended from appropriation for hospital during the year:	
Services.....	\$338,909.87
Drugs and medicines.....	11,296.56
Wines, liquors, alcohol, and beer.....	191.40
All other supplies and appliances.....	30,858.97
Total.....	381,266.80

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT

During the year there was no construction.

Repairs

	Carpentry, plumbing, steam fit- ting, elec- trical	Painting
Barracks.....	\$4,851.06	\$2,635.62
Hospital.....	6,934.42	2,402.28
Occupational and physiotherapy.....	298.01	1.65
Mess buildings, etc.....	1,759.26	245.82
Laundry.....	803.30	175.08
Offices, shops, buildings, etc.....	5,407.53	1,596.40
Employees' quarters.....	3,256.62	3,215.89
Post fund.....	978.65	808.33
Water and sewer.....	1,740.22	7.30
Steam and heating.....	2,483.81	
Electrical system.....	2,152.91	
Radio system.....	73.31	
Trucks, ambulances, etc.....	2,090.95	
Officers' quarters.....	2,393.97	1,182.49
Farm, cemetery, grounds, etc.....	4,880.63	1,233.15
Power house.....	1,394.02	86.42
Total.....	42,498.67	13,590.43

FARM

Stable.—Average number of public animals kept during the year: 7 horses, 9 mules; appraised value, \$1,800. Number and kind of public vehicles in use: 4 motor trucks, 5 motor ambulances, 2 caissons, 2 sprinkling wagons, 1 dump wagon, 15 farm wagons, 2 dump carts.

FARM AND GARDEN

Two hundred and ninety acres were cultivated, as follows: By the home under farm appropriation, 30 acres, hay; 42 acres, orchard; and 34 acres, vegetables. By renters on leases: 16½ acres, hay; 30 acres, orchard; and 137½ acres, vegetables, flowers, etc.

Value of products and disposition

Articles	Used in commis- sary and sales	Consumed by farm	Total product
Vegetables.....	\$15,496.20	\$800.00	\$15,496.20
Fruit.....	6,174.00		6,174.00
Lemons.....	1,244.66		1,244.66
Hay.....			800.00
Total.....	22,914.86	800.00	23,914.86

Cost of operation

Nonproductive	Average number employ- ees	Amount paid for services	Amount paid for supplies	Total
Upkeep, roads, cemeteries, etc.....	18½	\$10,796.95	\$3,307.47	\$14,104.42
Team, camp work.....	9½	5,420.00	2,306.92	7,726.92
Productive: Farm proper and vegetable garden.....	14½	7,845.00	2,422.67	10,267.67

Total expenses of operating productive enterprises under this head, \$10,267.67; value of products, \$23,914.86; net gain, \$13,447.19.

HEATING, LIGHTING AND POWER PLANT, WATER AND GAS

The steam plant consists of two 88-horsepower, three 188-horsepower, and one 350-horsepower Stirling, and one UIW, 400-horsepower water-tube boilers. The two 88-horsepower were installed in 1904; one 188-horsepower was installed in 1911, one in 1914, and one in 1920. The 350-horsepower was installed in 1922 and the 400-horsepower in 1927; one 75-horsepower cross compound UIW steam engine, installed in 1895; one 110-horsepower horizontal Chuse engine, installed in 1916; 2 Ingersoll-Rand, 2-stage air compressors, 375 cubic feet air capacity, 1 installed in 1909 and 1 in 1910; 1 No. 5 Stillwell hot-water heater installed in 1922, and 1 type L special Moffatt, installed in 1926; 2 centrifugal pumps, 1 hot-water and 1 cold-water, FM make, installed in 1924; 1 fire pump, 1,000 gallons per minute capacity, Deane duplex type, installed in 1905; 2 dynamos, 250-volt, direct-current, one 55-kilowatt capacity installed in 1909, and one 75-kilowatt capacity installed in 1916.

The lighting system consists of poles and wires, together with necessary fittings and furnishings; carrying the primary, 2,200 volts, 3 phase, and the secondary 110-volt circuits and 220-volt direct-current power and lighting circuits, including the controlling and distributing apparatus, appliances, and lamps of same installed in 1895. Part of current for lighting is furnished by the S. C. Edison Co., but transformers are the property of the home.

Refrigerating and ice plant consists of two 10-ton ice-making capacity ammonia compressors, 1 York installed in 1909 and 1 Vilter installed in 1914; 4 ammonia condensers, York, 2 brine tanks, 1 brine-circulating and one 70-can 100 pound capacity ice making; 2 brine pumps, together with all necessary accessories and equipment for refrigerating work and artificial ice making. In addition to the central plant there are 4 isolated refrigerating plants, 1 Vilter 2-ton capacity installed in 1915 in companies 5 and 6 mess kitchen, one 4-ton Brunswick installed at General Barry Building in 1915; one 5-ton Bedell installed in hospital annex No. 1 in 1921; and one 8-ton Vilter installed in Wadsworth Hospital in 1927.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees, steam plant, lighting plant, refrigeration and ice plant (11 men combined in 1 plant).....	\$11,088.00
Fuel oil.....	48,230.66
Oils, other than fuel (cylinder, engine, air and ammonia compressor).....	257.10
Repairs, including parts; boiler, engine, compressor parts, etc.....	1,631.95
All other supplies.....	477.45
Total.....	61,685.16

Fuel: 2,009,611 gallons crude oil were purchased at \$0.024 per gallon. Year prior 1,906,536 gallons were purchased at \$0.0274 per gallon.

Electric current produced 353,600 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.019563; purchased 661,905 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.01236; total cost of current, \$15,100.28.

Gas was used for cooking in all kitchens and quarters; gas also used in hospital laboratories and shoe shop; 6,451,000 cubic feet purchased at \$4,724.55. Year prior 8,045,500 cubic feet purchased at \$5,200.39.

Water: Pumped 114,513,625 gallons at \$0.0511 per 1,000 gallons, \$5,851.65. Daily average consumption of water was 632,655 gallons. Purchased 117,038,250 gallons at \$0.089 per 1,000 gallons, \$10,483.85. Prior year purchased 77,177,075 gallons at \$0.05868 per 1,000 gallons, \$6,189.48.

Ice: Capacity of ice plant, 30 tons refrigeration and 15 tons ice; 618 tons produced at a cost of \$0.97 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY-CLEANING PLANT

Laundry machinery and equipment consists of 4 Troy extractors; 8 Troy washing machines; 2 steam mangles; 5 electric motors; 3 tumblers; 2 clothes presses; 2 motor-driven sewing machines. Dry-cleaning equipment: 1 washing machine; 1 electric motor; 2 clothes presses; 1 tumbler, drying; 2 motor-driven sewing machines; 1 gasoline pump; 1 condenser and 1 still.

Cost of operation

	Employees		Amount for services	Supplies	Parts	Total
	Male	Female				
Laundry.....	13	11	\$12, 125. 12	\$1, 835. 46	\$507. 74	\$14, 468. 32
Dry-cleaning plant.....	3		1, 392. 00	313. 24		1, 705. 24
Total.....	16	11	13, 517. 12	2, 148. 70	507. 74	16, 173. 56

Pieces laundered, 2,493,550; cost per piece, \$0.0058; cost per capita, \$4.253; total, \$14,468.32.
 Pieces dry cleaned, 51,106; cost per piece, \$0.0334; cost per capita, \$0.501; total, \$1,705.24.

Clothing

Articles	Issued for use	Con- demned	In storehouses, June 30, 1923		
			New	Reissue	Value
Belts.....	331	57	105	30	\$33. 75
Bosoms and ties.....	373		75		37. 50
Coats:					
Dress.....	113	120			
Olive drab.....	2, 659	1, 210	1, 287	757	10, 402. 64
Great.....	30		48		120. 00
White.....	249	214	337		384. 18
Drawers:					
Heavy.....	1, 758	1, 371	1, 487	211	967. 86
Light.....	1, 898	2, 510	886	101	396. 49
Gowns, ward.....	849	240	6		13. 08
Hats, wool.....	1, 606	2, 331	1, 166	57	2, 079. 10
Pajama coats.....	367	503	474		213. 30
Pajama trousers.....	367	507	486		218. 70
Shirts:					
Burial.....	372		116		53. 36
Chambray.....	964	3, 053	1, 098	81	672. 03
Cotton.....	1, 017	539	252		211. 68
Olive drab.....	89	133			
Shoes, pairs.....	1, 501	1, 950	413	84	1, 197. 77
Slippers:					
Burial.....	401		90		85. 50
Ward.....	122	35			
Socks, cotton.....	3, 731	9, 696	2, 880	159	334. 29
Suspenders.....	944	1, 013	135		31. 05
Trousers:					
Olive drab.....	3, 144	2, 710	501	198	2, 041. 08
White.....	300	276	123		143. 91
Undershirts:					
Light.....	1, 860	1, 722	1, 512	162	435. 24
Heavy.....	1, 101	997	1, 631	237	2, 110. 84
Vests:					
Olive drab.....	1, 589	780	628	376	1, 716. 84
Blue.....				153	278. 48
Total.....					24, 048. 67

Value clothing condemned, \$33,262.50; value clothing received from general depot, \$31,787.65.

Employment

EMPLOYEES UNDER THE GENERAL FUND AND AMOUNT PAID DURING THE YEAR

	Officers	Members	Non- members	Total
Average daily employed.....	28	367	448	843
Total amount paid.....	\$73, 795. 33	\$509, 213. 24		\$585, 008. 57
PRIOR YEAR				
Average daily employed.....	26	353	428	807
Total amount paid.....	\$70, 097. 52	\$471, 405. 55		\$541, 502. 88

¹ For both members and nonmembers.

NONMEMBER EMPLOYEES

Average number of men.....	241	Mason.....	1
Average number of women.....	207	Matron.....	1
Total.....	448	Musician, chief.....	1
Builders and carpenters.....	4	Musicians.....	11
Chaplain.....	1	Nurse, chief.....	1
Consultants.....	9	Nurses, women.....	73
Clerks.....	28	Aides, psychiatric therapy and occupational therapy.....	13
Cooks.....	29	Painter.....	1
Dietitians.....	2	Plumbers.....	2
Druggists.....	2	Quartermaster sergeant.....	1
Electricians.....	2	Seamstress.....	1
Engineer, chief.....	1	Shoemaker.....	1
Engineers.....	5	Technicians.....	8
Farmers and farm hands.....	13	Steamfitters.....	3
Firemen.....	2	Tailors.....	2
Gardener.....	1	Driver.....	1
Hospital stewards.....	3	Tinsmith.....	1
Mess stewards.....	2	Waiters.....	58
Laborers.....	84	Head waiters.....	5
Laundry employees.....	15	Ward attendants.....	57
Meat cutter.....	1	Total.....	448
Machinist.....	1		

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general camp and hospital. In addition to the general mess hall, 3 barracks are equipped with a combination kitchen and dining room for aged and infirm members.

The mess hall capacity of the branch at one sitting is as follows: General mess hall, 650; combination messes, 340; noncommissioned officers' and clerks' mess, 50; hospital general mess, 270; tubercular cottage mess, 370; nurses' mess, 104; total, 1,784. Average number of persons served by waiter at each sitting in above messes is, respectively, 72, 62, 70, 52, 22, 26.

Average sittings daily, average number served daily, average number of employees and cost of rations

	Sittings	Number served	Employees		June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
			Dining room	Kitchen		
General mess.....	2	1,442	35	32	\$0.2518	\$0.2524
Combination mess.....	2	684	15	21	.3163	.3001
Hospital general mess.....	2	770	18	19	.4119	.4001
Tubercular cottage mess.....	1	364	16	17	.6035	.5406
Noncommissioned officers and clerks' mess.....	1	43	2	2	.2277	.2539
Nurses' mess.....	1	105	5	5	.3194	.3457
Druggist mess.....	1	1		1	.3649	.2748

The average daily consumption, per man, on some of the food articles, was as follows: Bread, 5.74 ounces; meat and fish, 12.31 ounces; coffee and tea, 1.02 ounces; milk, 1.18 pints; cheese, 0.08 ounce; oleo, 0.86 ounce; sugar, 3.32 ounces; cereal, 1.35 ounces; vegetables, 22.59 ounces.

Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same, during the year

Article	Quantity	Total cost	Article	Quantity	Total cost
Bacon.....pounds..	51,311	\$12,471.23	Milk.....gallons..	187,249	\$71,154.62
Beef, dressed.....do..	234,814	35,812.08	Onions.....pounds..	132,364	2,746.28
Eggs.....dozen....	120,347	32,708.53	Potatoes.....do....	672,429	13,616.04
Fish, fresh.....pounds..	50,803	6,550.05	Sugar.....do.....	258,373	14,858.22
Ham.....do.....	49,869	10,770.37	Beans, navy.....do....	24,500	1,646.01
Flour.....do.....	63,212	2,222.44	Beans, lima.....do....	14,553	928.77
Cheese.....do.....	18,465	4,026.14	Rice.....do.....	28,170	1,402.91
Oleo.....do.....	57,206	10,824.47	Apples, evaporated.....do....	15,614	2,136.45
Coffee.....do.....	76,552	17,182.21	Peaches, evaporated.....do....	20,125	2,108.21
Pork shoulders.....do..	42,274	7,395.41	Pork, salt.....do....	33,036	5,432.81

Swill and garbage, estimated weight, 750,000 pounds, sold for \$2,424.24.

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 65 persons, and is open daily between the hours of 8 and 11.30 a. m., 12.30 and 4.30 p. m., and 6 and 8 p. m. Twenty-five newspapers and 102 periodicals were supplied. Three hundred and thirty-six volumes new books were purchased during year. Total number of volumes, 13,068.

There are two persons employed in the library; cost of services, \$1,200; 28,677 books were circulated or read.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 400 persons. Five choristers were employed. Regular services were held once a week. Average attendance, 300. Other services twice per week. The chaplain officiated at 352 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital three times per week.

Catholic.—The chaplain is not a commissioned officer; resides outside the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 300 persons. Five choristers were employed. Regular services were held twice a week. Average attendance, 200. Other services six times per week. The chaplain officiated at 67 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital six times per week.

CEMETERY

There were 455 burials in the cemetery during the year. Total number buried there 9,284. Total capacity of the cemetery, 14,000 graves.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 9. Paid from general fund, \$8,783.33; clothing, \$218.83; subsistence, \$739.23; total, \$9,741.39.

WM. A. HADLEY, Governor.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE MARION BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Branch established 1890 by act of Congress approved July 23, 1888. Located near Marion, in Grant County, Ind.; post-office address, National Military Home, Ind. The reservation comprises 299.03 acres. One hundred and seven acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 4.87 miles of roadway. Ninety-seven acres used for farming, 62.03 acres of woods, and 33 acres of pasture. A dairy is operated with 43 milch cows and 67 in herd. There are 67 buildings on the reservation including 11 cottage buildings, all brick, maximum capacity 720 patients; 4 hospital buildings, all brick, maximum capacity 372 patients; and 52 other buildings, including storehouses, mess hall, power house, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 20 are brick, 28 frame, and 4 concrete. Land acquired by purchase and cost \$34,262.75. Original cost of buildings \$1,598,899.39, appraised value \$2,372,472.92.

Utilities

	Total cost
Heating: Hot water with 9 boilers, 2,152 horsepower, using 10,784 tons coal, at \$4.10 per ton.....	\$44,214.40
Gas: 12,379,000 cubic feet, used for cooking, at \$0.764 per 1,000 cubic feet.....	9,329.25
Lighting:	
Electricity purchased, 3,300 kilowatt-hours, at \$0.0503 per kilowatt-hour.....	\$166.16
Electricity generated, 791,640 kilowatt-hours, at \$0.02343 per kilowatt-hours.....	18,548.13
	18,714.29
Water: Pumped, 142,352,000 gallons, at \$0.00001 per gallon.....	1,544.56
Ice: Made, cut, or purchased, 414.85 tons at \$2.80 per ton.....	1,158.87
Laundry: 1,385,348 pieces laundered, at \$0.00675 per piece.....	9,351.67
Dry cleaning plant: 40,126 pieces cleaned, at \$0.0125 per piece.....	502.48

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1928	Fiscal year 1927
Average present, hospital patients.....	1,013	1,037
Maintenance cost per day, hospital patients.....	\$2.14	\$2.07
Cost food per day per person subsisted:		
Hospital nonprofessional mess.....	0.3690	0.3715
Hospital tuberculosis mess.....	0.5330	0.5428
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital nonprofessional mess.....	1,398	1,408
Hospital tuberculosis mess.....	76	78
Average present and absent.....	1,027	1,054
Whole number cared for.....	1,267	1,394
Per capita cost.....	\$785.12	\$755.35

Return for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT		ABSENT	
For duty:		With leave:	
Medical director and superintendent.....	1	Commissioned officers.....	1
Treasurer.....	1	Members.....	2
Assistant medical director.....	1	Without leave: Members.....	10
Quartermaster.....	1	Total absent:	
Commissary of subsistence.....	1	Commissioned officers.....	1
Inspector and executive officer.....	1	Members.....	12
Assistant surgeons.....	15	Aggregate:	
Total.....	21	This return.....	12
Sick in hospital: Members.....	1,005	Last return.....	17
Total present:		PRESENT AND ABSENT	
Commissioned officers.....	21	Commissioned officers.....	22
Members.....	1,005	Members.....	1,017
Aggregate:		Aggregate:	
This return.....	1,005	This return.....	1,017
Last return.....	1,026	Last return.....	1,043

GAIN	
Appointment (officers).....	1
Transfer (officers).....	3
Admission, Spanish-American or Civil Wars.....	7
Admission, World War.....	53
Readmission.....	55
Transfer.....	109
Total.....	224
LOSS	
Resignation (officers).....	2
Transfer (officers).....	2
Transfer.....	6
Discharge.....	125
Dropped from roll.....	62
Death, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	1
Death, Spanish-American War, 10; World War, 46.....	56
Total.....	250
MISCELLANEOUS	
Changes:	
Present to absent.....	299
Absent to present.....	304
Total.....	603
Total beds in hospital for patients.....	1,092
Vacant.....	87
Members present and absent June 30, 1928, having service other than Mexican or Civil Wars.....	1,017

MISCELLANEOUS—continued	
Colored members present and absent June 30, 1928.....	65
AVERAGES	
Average present.....	1,013
Average present and absent.....	1,027
Whole number cared for.....	1,267
Average temporarily at post.....	14
Average number of member employees, none.....	
AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED	
Members.....	1,013
Civilian employees.....	461
Total.....	1,474
WHAT WAR	
World.....	1,180
Civil.....	2
Spanish-American.....	85
Total.....	1,267
WHAT SERVICE	
Army.....	1,157
Marine.....	21
Navy.....	89
Total.....	1,267

Ages

Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number
21.....	3	34.....	10	46.....	12	58.....	4
23.....	3	35.....	97	47.....	7	59.....	6
24.....	8	36.....	83	48.....	9	61.....	2
25.....	11	37.....	88	49.....	8	64.....	2
26.....	15	38.....	77	50.....	8	65.....	1
27.....	17	39.....	73	51.....	8	66.....	1
28.....	31	40.....	54	52.....	7	70.....	1
29.....	51	41.....	42	53.....	5	84.....	2
30.....	56	42.....	23	54.....	7		
31.....	92	43.....	14	55.....	2	Total..	1,267
32.....	91	44.....	15	56.....	3		
33.....	106	45.....	14	57.....	1		

Average age of members cared for:

Civil War.....	84.00
Spanish-American War.....	48.87
World War.....	34.98

Average age of members deceased:

Civil War.....	84.00
Spanish-American War.....	51.30
World War.....	36.46

Average number present and absent, etc., and gains and losses, from date of organization to June 30, 1928

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gains						Losses											
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Summary discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped from rolls	Death	Transfer to Government Hospital for the Insane	Total
							Appointment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped								
June 30—																								
1921.....	182	163	10	405	578	1,973	7	1	474	121	70	665	6	8			700	717			30	53		1,569
1922.....	542	79	16	542	637	1,215	13		652	53	106	811	1	1			5	222			218	15		460
1923.....	705	16	17	705	738	1,253	4	4	352	94	52	498	2	3			4	211			213	31		450
1924.....	865	10	23	865	898	1,440	3	2	427	129	90	646	2				5	184			200	58		447
1925.....	967	10	20	967	997	1,428	3	2	269	127	39	435	4	1			10	183			177	62		422
1926.....	1,040	3	14	1,040	1,057	1,495	1	3	302	127	60	489	4	1			10	208			150	71		439
1927.....	1,037	5	12	1,037	1,054	1,394	3	1	153	107	78	338	1	2		1	5	176			122	48		351
1928.....	1,013	3	11	1,013	1,027	1,267	1	3	60	55	109	224	2	2			6	125			62	57		250
Total.....							92	31	11,883	8,515	4,379	24,845	56	38	4	3	4,773	10,492	21	364	3,388	4,696	94	23,828

Whole number cared for from date of organization to June 30, 1928, 24,845.

FORMER OFFICERS, JULY 1, 1927, TO JUNE 30, 1928

Assistant surgeon, junior:

Capt. Thomas M. Wood, December 8, 1923, to November 18, 1927.
Lieut. Clarence J. Miner, September 10, 1927, to February 29, 1928.

Assistant surgeon, dental:

Lieut. William N. Brashears, September 1, 1927, to October 15, 1927.
Lieut. Woodfin H. Van Brackle, June 1, 1927, to August 31, 1927.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Transportation	Repairs	Farm	Total, branch	Clothing	Total
CASH STATEMENT										
From general treasurer.....	\$57,000.00	\$265,000.00	\$102,000.00	\$305,650.00	\$1,000.00	\$55,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$805,650.00	\$1,733.89	\$807,383.89
Collections.....	836.00	20,811.95	1,916.00	820.60	-----	655.99	6,597.61	31,638.15	1,067.32	32,705.47
Total	57,836.00	265,811.95	103,916.00	306,470.60	1,000.00	55,655.99	26,597.61	837,288.15	2,801.21	840,089.36
Disbursed.....	56,832.95	279,179.33	103,680.34	302,727.28	483.40	55,118.93	26,177.86	824,200.09	2,801.21	827,001.30
Returned to general treasurer.....	1,003.05	6,632.62	235.66	3,743.32	516.60	537.06	419.75	13,088.06	-----	13,088.06
COST OF OPERATION										
Paid by treasurer.....	56,832.95	279,179.33	103,680.34	302,727.28	483.40	55,118.93	26,177.86	824,200.09	2,801.21	827,001.30
General Accounting Office settlements.....	62.05	-----	-----	4.61	-----	-----	-----	66.06	8.57	75.23
Aggregate	56,895.00	279,179.33	103,680.34	302,731.89	483.40	55,118.93	26,177.86	824,266.75	2,809.78	827,076.53
Less collections.....	4.05	20,811.95	1,916.00	820.60	-----	655.99	6,597.61	30,806.20	1,067.32	31,873.52
Net cost	56,890.95	258,367.38	101,764.34	301,911.29	483.40	54,462.94	19,580.25	793,460.55	1,742.46	795,203.01
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA										
Personal services.....	51.03	64.65	28.18	286.03	-----	30.83	12.11	472.83	1.60	474.43
Supplies.....	4.15	187.86	62.45	8.62	.48	117.25	6.45	287.26	.02	287.28
Equipment.....	.98	2.54	9.83	3.39	-----	5.68	.77	23.19	.10	23.29
Total	56.16	255.05	100.46	298.04	.48	53.76	19.33	783.28	1.72	785.00

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.122; supplies, \$0.371; total, \$0.493.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on net expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members, temporarily at post members, and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$12,012.60	Disbursed during the year:	
Received from Bureau of Pensions.....	14,547.07	To pensioners.....	\$2,959.00
Received from branches on account of members transferred.....	724.33	To families.....	3,672.00
Total.....	27,284.60		\$6,631.00
		Transferred to post fund.....	596.00
		Transferred to branches.....	75.00
		Balance.....	19,982.60
		Total.....	27,284.60

THE RATE AND NUMBER OF PENSIONERS

Rate per month	Number June 30, 1927	Gain		Total	Loss		Number June 30, 1928
		By admission, readmission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
\$72	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
60	9	19	1	29	5	0	24
40	2	3	0	5	3	0	2
30	3	2	0	5	1	1	3
25	3	3	0	6	1	0	5
24	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
8	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
6	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
	20	28	1	49	11	1	37

Actual number of pensioners cared for (from total deduct the number gained by change of rate), 48.

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward.....	\$3,881.09	Transferred to general post fund.....	\$335.05
Store: Sales, etc.....	31,291.07	Store: Merchandise, services, etc.....	28,522.25
Hotel and restaurant: Sales, etc.....	16,933.94	Hotel and restaurant: Merchandise, etc.....	14,651.45
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	786.70	Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	12,717.89
Miscellaneous.....	74.26	Repairs.....	2,004.62
Posthumous pension fund.....	596.00	Miscellaneous.....	1,330.24
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	1,058.49	Posthumous fund, act of June 25, 1910....	929.21
Transferred from general post fund.....	8,000.00	Balance June 30, 1928.....	2,130.84
Total.....	62,621.55	Total.....	62,621.55

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount
Cash.....	\$2,130.84	Cash.....	\$3,881.09
Store: Fixtures, \$673.98; stock, \$4,200.35.....	4,874.33	Store: Fixtures, \$738.08; stock, \$3,987.....	4,725.08
Hotel, etc.: Fixtures, \$972.07; stock, \$738.26.....	1,710.33	Hotel, etc.: Fixtures, \$1,184.02; stock, \$1,067.74.....	2,251.76
Amusement fixtures.....	8,470.75	Amusement fixtures.....	9,653.25
Buildings.....	18,200.00	Buildings.....	18,950.00
Miscellaneous.....	2,159.00	Miscellaneous.....	2,678.70
Total.....	37,545.25	Total.....	42,139.88
Liabilities.....	4,419.42	Liabilities.....	3,105.03

EMPLOYEES PAID FROM POST FUND -

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Store.....	2	-----	\$1,076.50
Restaurant.....	1	3	2,275.00
Library.....	1	1	1,193.33
Amusement hall and ball park.....	2	-----	960.00
Choir, organists, janitors.....	5	6	2,520.00
Theater.....	2	-----	1,176.17
Superintendent post-fund office.....	1	-----	1,200.00
Temporary schedule.....	9	-----	577.50
Total.....	23	10	10,978.50

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments, and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games, and library free of charge.

There were given 407 band concerts, 305 motion-picture shows, 18 baseball games, and 11 theatrical performances.

Under this head there was expended for:

305 motion-picture shows.....	\$3,194.78
18 baseball games.....	276.00
11 theatrical entertainments.....	1,365.50
Books, etc., and clubroom equipment.....	745.00
For services, members of the band and other employees authorized.....	5,850.50
Christmas Day activities.....	497.19
Miscellaneous.....	879.41
Total.....	12,808.38

The expenditures from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$12,808.38, a per capita of \$12.65, figured on the average present.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The treatment hospital is divided into 4 wards and has a capacity for 122 patients.

Annex No. 1 is divided into 2 wards and has a capacity for 31 patients.

Annex No. 2 (reception hospital) is divided into 7 wards and has a capacity for 139 patients.

The neuropsychiatric tuberculosis unit has a capacity for 80 patients.

Eleven cottages, each divided into 3 wards, with a total capacity of 720 patients.

There are 15 assistant surgeons, including 2 dental surgeons; 1 bacteriologist; 1 laboratory technician; 49 trained nurses; 158 male attendants; 6 physiotherapists; 1 director of athletics; 1 director of employment; 9 occupational therapy aides.

On June 30 there were 1,005 patients present. There were 87 vacant beds on that date, of which 16 were in treatment hospital, 8 in reception hospital, 23 in neuropsychiatric-tuberculosis unit, and 40 in cottage group.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year, were as follows:

	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Average present sick in hospital.....	1,013	1,037
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	100	100
Number treated in hospital.....	1,267	1,394
Died in the home.....	56	48
Died while absent from the home.....	1	-----
Total deaths.....	57	48
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	44.99	34.43
Average age at death.....	39.89	40.92
Number of insane cared for.....	1,151	1,276
Number of blind cared for.....	10	11
Number of insane present June 30.....	1,924	1,939
Number of blind present June 30.....	6	8
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	89	115
Number of tubercular patients June 30.....	57	60

¹ This number does not include cases which are of a border-line type, but have not sufficient psychotic symptoms to warrant calling them insane. They all, however, fall into the neuropsychiatric group.

Causes of death during the year, and number of deaths from each cause:	
Acute hemorrhagic pancreatitis.....	1
Cardio vascular renal disease.....	4
Cerebral apoplexy.....	1
Cerebral hemorrhage.....	1
Cerebral spinal syphilis.....	1
Chronic parenchymatous nephritis.....	1
Encephalitis lethargica.....	2
General paralysis of the insane.....	35
Mesenteric thrombosis.....	1
Pulmonary tuberculosis.....	7
Strangulation (suicide).....	1
Subphrenic abscess.....	1
Pneumonia, bilateral (died while absent without leave).....	1
Total.....	57

Number of operations performed during the year:	
Major.....	32
Minor.....	198
Total.....	230
Average number of hospital employees:	
Male.....	18
Female.....	71
Total.....	252
Amount expended from appropriation for hospital during the year:	
Services.....	\$289,746.58
Drugs and medicines.....	2,643.77
Wines, liquors, alcohol, and beer.....	228.96
All other supplies and appliances.....	10,120.60
Total.....	302,737.91

Quartermaster's department—Repairs to buildings

	Nature of, other than painting	Cost	Painting
Cottages 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12.....	Installing urinals, mirrors, alterations to end porches, etc.	\$3,427.49	\$1,100.13
Treatment hospital, reception hospital, tuberculosis hospital, annex No. 1, and clinical laboratory.....	Constructing toilet room for visitors, installing mirrors, toilet-paper fixtures, window guards, etc.	3,021.18	1,188.96
General mess hall and non-commissioned officers' mess.....	Additional radiation in office, alterations for living quarters, etc.	1,772.09	1,238.22
Power-house buildings.....	Repairing cement base of standpipe.....	5.80	252.36
Headquarters and guard and employees' quarters buildings.....	Installation of Denzar lighting fixtures, etc.....	284.04	133.94
Theater and store, rest, and library buildings.....	Installing additional radiation, inclosing stock room, etc.	481.89	622.46
Farm-group buildings.....	Repair mangers, dairy barn, etc.....	291.22	353.80
Rehabilitation buildings.....	Installing window guards, etc.....	59.47	77.59
Quartermaster building and shops.....	Build concrete platforms north and south.....	394.18	406.80
Laundry building.....	Installed light fixtures and put wiring in conduit, etc.	430.22	137.51
Oil and paint shop building.....	Heavy shelving in paint storehouse, etc.....	15.96	-----
Oil house and laundry annex.....	Remove partition and install 2 washers, etc.....	279.93	-----
Chapel building.....	Overhaul electric wiring, etc.....	78.06	-----
Greenhouse.....	Repairing benches, etc.....	136.64	203.59
Band stand.....	Exterior painting.....	-----	70.50
Lodge gate.....	Painting interior and exterior.....	-----	48.11
Quarters.....	Flooring in attics, repairing porches, etc.....	3,397.74	2,616.51
Miscellaneous.....	Miscellaneous minor repairs and painting about camp.....	17,704.62	3,884.41
Total (general fund).....	-----	31,780.53	12,334.89
Camp, library, and chapels.....	Cement sidewalks, gutters, and redecorating (paid from post fund).....	861.32	1,179.30
Grand total.....	-----	32,641.85	13,514.19

FARM

Stable.—Average number of public animals kept during the year: 2 horses, 5 mules; appraised value, \$874. Number and kind of public vehicles in use: 3 dump carts, 1 (1-horse) delivery wagon, 5 farm wagons, 2 jigger wagons, 4 autotrucks (White, Ford, and 2 G. M. C.).

Two auto ambulances under hospital.

OPERATION OF DAIRY

Calves produced and added to the herd are accounted for under the heading "Herd;" calves sold, as such, are accounted for under the heading "Production." Feed raised and consumed, and milk transferred to subsistence or sold, are charged at market prices. No account is taken of pasturage on Home grounds, this being offset by the manure.

Herd:

On hand June 30, 1927, 45 cows, 20 other cattle (value).....	\$5,350.00
On hand June 30, 1928, 43 cows, 24 other cattle (value).....	5,265.00
Decrease.....	85.00
Received for stock sold out of herd.....	\$110.20
Expenditures less than receipts.....	110.20
Net increase in investment.....	25.20
Cost of maintenance:	
Feeds purchased.....	3,282.90
Feeds raised on farm and consumed..	1,815.88
Veterinary and other expenses.....	94.50
Services, employees.....	2,940.40
Total cost.....	8,133.68

Production:

35,972 gallons of milk, at 20.5 cents per gallon, used in commissary and sold.....	\$7,374.26
27 calves sold.....	121.80
Total receipts.....	7,496.06
Loss.....	637.62
Summary:	
Increase in investment.....	25.20
Loss in operation.....	637.62
Net loss.....	612.42

In addition to the 35,972 gallons milk shown above, 1,779 gallons were used to feed 38 calves. The average daily yield per cow, figured on the average number of cows, was 3.128 gallons. The average daily yield per cow, figured on the average number of cattle kept, was 1.471 gallons; 78,145 gallons of milk were purchased during the year, at 20.5 cents per gallon. The cost of production of milk in commissary and sold was 22.62 cents per gallon.

FARM AND GARDEN

Ninty-seven acres were cultivated, as follows: 47 alfalfa, 33 corn, 15 garden, 2 broomcorn.

Products and disposition

Articles	Used in commissary and sales	Consumed by farm	Total produced
Milk, 35,972 gallons at \$0.205.....	\$7,374.26		
Milk, 1,779 gallons at \$0.205.....		\$364.70	\$7,738.96
Hay, alfalfa, 66.1675 tons, at \$15.....		992.51	992.51
Ensilage, 135 tons, at \$8.....		1,080.00	1,080.00
Flowers and vegetables.....	2,230.76		2,230.76
Totals.....	9,605.02	2,437.21	12,042.23

Cost of operation

	Average number		Expended for		Value of farm products consumed	Total
	Teams	Em- ployees	Services	Supplies		
Nonproductive:						
Upkeep, roads, cemetery, etc.....	1½	2	\$1,296.00	\$1,495.02	\$13.84	\$2,804.86
Teaming, camp work, etc.....	1½	7	5,292.50	1,353.17	41.40	6,687.07
Total.....						9,491.93
Productive:						
Farm and vegetable garden.....	1½	3	2,569.38	1,728.00	41.40	4,338.78
Dairy.....		5	2,940.40	3,377.40	1,816.88	8,133.68
Total.....						12,472.46

Total expenses of operating productive enterprises under this head.....	\$12,472.46
Value of products.....	12,042.23
Net loss.....	430.23

HEATING, LIGHTING, AND POWER PLANT, WATER AND GAS

The steam plant consists of, and was installed: Six 250-horsepower Sterling water-tube boilers, two installed in 1903, two in 1905, one in 1908, and one in 1913; two 150-horsepower horizontal tube-steam boilers installed in 1921; one 352-horsepower Badenhausen water-tube boiler installed in 1922; two turbo-blowers installed in 1918; three boiler-feed pumps, one American Marsh installed

in 1928; one Marsh installed in 1913; one Dean installed in 1923; one Graves sand filter, capacity 6,000 gallons per hour, installed in 1923; one Detrick-Hagan steam-jet ash conveyor, installed in 1923; one Stillwell feed-water heater No. 5, manufactured about 1900, installed in 1923; one International filter water-softening system, capacity 6,000 gallons per hour, installed in 1922; five and exhaust steam heaters and three circulating pumps; one DeLaval, installed in 1904; one Lawrence, installed in 1904; one Midwest turbine pump, installed in 1922, are used in connection with the general hot-water heating system; one 30-horsepower General Electric motor, installed in 1921, driving stoker and coal-elevator equipment.

The pump system consists of one 10-inch, eight 8-inch, and one 6-inch wells 87 feet deep; one 24-inch well, 103 feet deep, pumped direct into stand pipe by a Layne & Bowler centrifugal pump driven by a 35-horsepower Westinghouse electric motor, installed in 1922. The 10, 8, and 6 inch wells are operated only in cases of emergency by an Ingersoll-Rand steam-driven air compressor, installed in 1900, used to lift the water from the wells into a 150,000-gallon reservoir from which it is pumped into a 240,000-gallon standpipe with an R. D. Wood & Co. electric-driven centrifugal pump installed in 1914.

The lighting system consists of one 250-horsepower McEwen simple engine, installed in 1900, and one 450-horsepower Hamilton-Corliss engine, installed in 1922; one 120-kilowatt Westinghouse generator, installed in 1900, and one 385-kilowatt Westinghouse generator installed in 1922; one Westinghouse 11-panel switchboard, installed in 1923, and one complete electrical substation capable of producing 300 kilowatts; this current obtained from a 33,000-volt transmission line from Indiana General Service Co., a public utility, installed in 1921.

The refrigeration and ice plant consist of one 10 by 22 inch Ruemmel-Dawley ammonia compressor driven by a 100-horsepower Corliss engine, installed in 1903; also by an 85-horsepower Westinghouse electric motor, installed in 1925; together with tanks, pipe lines, condensers, and other apparatus necessary to produce ice and circulate calcium chloride brine through cold-storage rooms at commissary, hospital, main kitchen, and reception hospital.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees:		Fuel.....	\$44,214.40
Steam plant.....	\$11,280.00	Oils, other than fuel.....	585.02
Lighting plant.....	2,850.00	Repairs, including parts.....	3,220.22
Refrigeration and ice plant.....	2,160.00	New units of machinery purchased.....	1,547.74
	16,290.00	All other supplies.....	1,472.03
		Total.....	67,329.41

Fuel: 9,959.55 tons bituminous coal were purchased at \$4.10 per ton. Year prior 10,922.55 tons were purchased at \$3.90 per ton.

Electric current: Electric current produced, 791,640 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.02343; purchased, 3,300 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour, \$0.0503; total cost of current, \$18,714.29.

Gas was used for cooking in all messes and private families, baking at bakery, and heating water in families' private quarters; 12,379,000 cubic feet purchased, at \$9,329.25; year prior, 11,708,000 cubic feet purchased, at \$8,829.

Water: Daily average consumption of water was 390,000 gallons.

Ice: Capacity of ice plant, 12 tons refrigeration and 6 tons ice; 414.85 tons produced at a cost of \$2.80 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING PLANT

Laundry machinery and equipment: One 5-horsepower Westinghouse motor, installed in the laundry annex in 1928; one 30-horsepower Westinghouse motor, installed in 1904; 3 American Laundry Machine Co. washers, 2 installed in 1922, 1 in 1923; 2 Troy Laundry Machine Co. washers installed in the laundry annex in 1928 (old machines transferred from the Battle Mountain Sanitarium); 1 Troy Laundry Machine Co. washer, installed in 1927 (new machine received by transfer from the Danville Branch); 3 American Laundry Machine Co. extractors, 2 installed in 1914, 1 installed in 1922, and 1 American Laundry Machine Co. extractor installed in the laundry annex in 1928; 2 American Laundry Machine Co. dry tumblers, 1 installed in 1914 and 1 installed in 1922; 1 Ohio Laundry Machine Co. mangle installed in 1914; 4 Troy Laundry Machine Co. prosperity garment presses, 2 installed in 1921 and 2 installed in 1922.

Dry-cleaning plant equipment: 2 American Laundry Machine Co. washers installed in 1915; 1 National Anoline Chemical Co. extractor installed in 1910; 1 Atlas Machine Co. tumbler installed in 1915; 1 U. S. Hoffman 7A pressing machine installed in 1924; 1 U. S. Hoffman 8A-Oval pressing machine installed in 1924; 1 DeLaval continuous flow gasoline clarifier installed in 1926.

Electric-light plant data

Average steam consumed per horsepower-hour, produced in power house in year	2,875,733
Average number of kilowatts generated in the light plant during the entire year	791,640
791,640 kilowatts equals 791,640,000 watts; 1 horsepower steam produces 746 watts.	
791,640,000 divided by 746 gives the amount of horsepower-hours of steam required to produce the current for the year as 1,061,179.	
The loss of steam because of condensation, traps, leaks, etc., is estimated to be 5 per cent, making the total amount of horsepower-hours of steam required to produce the current 1,114,238.	
Low-pressure steam is used for heating purposes during 7 months of the year, during which time one-half of the steam used in the light plant is credited that plant.	
Seven-twelfths of 1,114,238 equals 649,972 horsepower-hours used to produce current in 7 months.	
One-half of 649,972 equals 324,986 horsepower-hours consumed to produce current in 7 months.	
1,114,238 less 324,986 equals 789,252 horsepower-hours consumed to produce current in 12 months.	
789,252 divided by 2,875,733 gives the per cent of steam consumed by light plant to produce current to be 27.4 per cent.	
Total cost of employees for the power house for the year is	\$11,280.00
27.4 per cent of \$11,280 is portion of power-house labor cost to the light plant	3,090.72
Cost of employees in the light plant only	2,850.00
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Total cost of employees to produce current	\$5,940.72
Total cost of fuel consumed in power house for year, \$44,214.40.	
5 per cent of \$44,214.40 is \$2,210.72 required for the ice plant.	
\$44,214.40 less \$2,210.72 is \$42,003.68.	
27.4 per cent of \$42,003.68 equals cost of fuel to produce current	11,509.01
Total cost of oils consumed by the light plant	469.70
Cost of water:	
1 horsepower-hour of steam consumed $7\frac{1}{2}$ pounds of water.	
2,875,733 times $7\frac{1}{2}$ equals 21,567,998 pounds of water.	
21,567,998 divided by 8 equals 2,695,999 gallons of water consumed.	
Cost of production of water is \$0.0001085 per gallon.	
2,695,999 times \$0.0001085 equals cost of water required to produce current for the year	28.87
Repairs, including parts (for light plant only)	329.30
All other supplies:	
27.4 per cent of \$1,015.70 equals amount for light plant	278.30
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Total cost of current produced	18,556.03
\$18,556.03 divided by 791,640 equals \$0.02343 cost per kilowatt-hour produced.	

Clothing

	Issued for use	Con-demned	In storehouse June 30, 1928		
			New	Reissue	Value
Arctics	38	35		5	\$3.63
Belts	7	2	425		42.50
Bosoms and ties	47		11		5.5
Coats:					
Dress	39	338	87	285	1,161.27
Great	23	38		479	1,345.90
Drawers:					
Heavy	901	757	814	530	617.68
Light	1,785	2,581	53		14.31
Gowns, ward	208	178			
Jumpers	19	40	73		83.44
Hats, wool	744	979	363	9	624.75
Overalls	53	35	12		12.48
Overcoats, olive drab	34	15		227	637.87
Pants, athletic	132	104	106	220	72.38
Pajama coats	2,621	2,281	465	34	217.07
Pajama pants	3,149	3,085	491		220.95
Convalescent pants	41	49	268		254.60
Convalescent coats	5	15	305		289.75
Shirts:					
Athletic	185	154	64	110	32.68
Chambray	3,011	3,182	347	70	218.09
Burial	47		7		3.22
Cotton		15			
Wool, olive drab	8			175	175.00
Cotton, olive drab	6			112	40.32
Shoes	954	2,269	143	21	370.04
Shoes, tennis	318	266	43	102	68.97
Slippers	491	639			
Slippers, burial	10		7		6.65
Socks:					
Cotton	10,719	10,419	656		72.16
Wool	202	735			
Suspenders	749	958	36	4	8.76
Trousers	1,041	1,148	256	95	886.22
Unionalls	140	96	65		128.38
Undershirts:					
Light	861	1,430	430	243	143.39
Heavy	759	566	504	677	955.41
Vests	48	181	106	282	323.78

Value of clothing condemned, \$22,122.47; value of clothing received from the general depot, \$17,374.38.

Employment

EMPLOYEES UNDER THE GENERAL FUND AND AMOUNT PAID DURING THE YEAR

	Officers	Members	Nonmembers	Total
Authorized number.....	23	None.	550	573
Average, daily employed.....	23	None.	484	507
Total amount paid.....	\$72, 517. 87	None.	\$408, 086. 49	\$480, 604. 36
PRIOR YEAR				
Authorized number.....	22	None.	543	565
Average, daily employed.....	22	None.	468	490
Total amount paid.....	\$70, 269. 66	None.	\$389, 963. 77	\$460, 233. 43

NONMEMBER EMPLOYEES

Average number of men.....	384	Hydrotherapists.....	6
Women.....	100	Janitors.....	7
Total.....	484	Laborers.....	90
Aides, occupational therapy.....	9	Laboratory technician.....	1
Attendants.....	157	Laundry foreman.....	1
Bakers.....	2	Matron.....	1
Bacteriologist.....	1	Musicians.....	14
Barbers.....	2	Meat cutter.....	1
Carpenters.....	5	Nurse, superintendent.....	1
Chaplain.....	2	Nurse, assistant superintendent.....	1
Chief engineer.....	1	Nurses, superior.....	6
Chief aide.....	1	Nurses, graduate.....	42
Chief gardener.....	1	Operators, telephone.....	3
Clerks.....	18	Printer.....	1
Consultant.....	1	Painters.....	6
Cooks.....	16	Plumbers.....	4
Director of athletics.....	1	Storekeeper.....	1
Director of employment.....	1	Stenographers.....	8
Driver.....	1	Steward.....	1
Druggist.....	1	Stewards, assistant.....	2
Druggist, assistant.....	1	Shoemaker.....	1
Engineers.....	4	Tailor.....	1
Electric worker.....	1	Tinsmith.....	1
Farmer.....	1	Truck drivers.....	2
Firemen.....	3	Upholsterer.....	1
Guard sergeants.....	2	Waiters.....	40
Guard privates.....	7	Watchman.....	1
Head waiter.....	1	Total.....	484

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general cottage group, treatment hospital, and neuropsychiatric-tuberculosis unit. In addition one building is equipped with a combination kitchen and dining room and is used as a reception hospital; also for the more disturbed patients five cottages are equipped with diet kitchens and dining rooms. To date only three of these diet kitchens have been in operation, the patients in the other cottages taking their meals in the general mess hall.

In the treatment hospital, in addition to the main dining room, which will seat 60, there are four diet kitchens with dining rooms attached to accommodate 30 patients each. All are in use by patients, the employees taking their meals in the main dining room of the building. All food for the diet kitchens in treatment hospital and those in the cottages is prepared in the treatment hospital kitchen and delivered in food conveyors.

The reception hospital is also equipped with a kitchen and dining room on the second floor, for use of the more disturbed patients, the food being prepared in the main kitchen of the building and delivered to the upper floor in food conveyors.

Cost per capita, special diet, based on average number sick in hospital, \$0.0308.

The average daily consumption per man on some of the food articles was as follows: Bread, 9.5 ounces; meat and fish, 14.95 ounces; coffee and tea, 1.21 ounces; milk, 1.76 pints; cheese, 0.17 ounce; oleomargarine, 1.17 ounces; sugar, 3.83 ounces; cereal, 0.92 ounce; vegetables, 19.04 ounces.

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Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same, during the year

Article	Quantity	Total cost	Article	Quantity	Total cost
Bacon.....pounds..	43,094	\$7,705.91	Onions.....pounds..	18,840	\$632.53
Beef, dressed.....do....	171,432	27,950.13	Potatoes.....do....	397,380	10,587.25
Eggs.....dozen.....	59,143	18,012.08	Sugar.....do....	121,010	7,446.85
Fish, fresh.....pounds..	12,330	1,662.00	Beans, navy.....do....	16,151	1,103.70
Ham.....do....	36,438	6,930.96	Beans, lima.....do....	4,632	345.60
Flour.....do....	247,916	7,945.29	Rice.....do....	5,744	285.25
Cheese.....do....	5,950	1,469.33	Apples, evaporated.....do....	4,060	551.71
Oleomargarine.....do....	38,744	4,766.74	Peaches, evaporated.....do....	4,300	454.24
Coffee.....do....	40,529	10,347.09	Pork, salt.....do....	40,529	5,908.25
Milk.....gallons.....	117,214	24,025.19			

Swill and garbage, 600,000 pounds, sold for \$606.

Bakery—Operation and average cost per pound of bread, etc., produced

	Pounds of flour and meal used	Pounds of bread, etc., produced	Cost per pound
Bread.....	205,738	281,205	\$0.0269
Oake.....	5,886	14,755	.0825
Pies.....	11,195	40,425	.1139
Corn bread:			
Flour.....	2,025	5,250	.0679
Corn meal.....	1,470		
Total.....	226,314	341,635	

Average pounds of bread produced from 100 pounds of flour, 137.

Average number of employees, 4; amount paid employees, \$3,192; cost of fuel, \$1,442.64; total, \$4,634.64.

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 40 persons and is open daily between the hours of 8 a. m. and 4.30 p. m., May 1 to September 30; 8 a. m. and 8 p. m., October 1 to April 30. Twelve newspapers and 37 periodicals were supplied; 349 volumes new books purchased during year. There was also furnished from neighboring post offices from undelivered mail an average of 68 magazines monthly, which were distributed on the various wards.

Total number of volumes, 5,748.

There are two persons employed in the library; cost of services, \$1,193.33; 7,733 books were circulated or read.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 200 persons. Four choristers and one organist were employed. Regular services were held once per week. Average attendance 100. Other services once per week for eight months. The chaplain officiated at 11 funerals, and was in touch with patients almost daily.

Catholic.—The chaplain is not a commissioned officer, is not furnished quarters, and does not reside at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 160 persons. Four choristers and one organist were employed. Regular services were held once per week. Average attendance 100. Other services on holy days. The chaplain officiated at 4 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital four times per week.

CEMETERY

There were 15 burials in the cemetery during the year. Total number buried there, 3,013. Total capacity of the cemetery, 4,800 graves.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 11. Paid from general fund \$9,151.49; clothing, \$285.50; subsistence, \$1,176.60; total, \$10,613.59.

F. A. CLEVELAND, *Executive Officer.*

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE DANVILLE BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Branch established August 10, 1898, by act of Congress June 4, 1897. Located at Danville, Ill.; post-office address, National Home, Danville, Ill. The reservation comprises 324.56 acres; 170.56 acres included in lawns, parks, and cemetery; and 7.97 miles of roadway; 102 acres used for farming; no woods; and 32 acres of pasture. There are 57 buildings on the reservation, including 14 barracks, all brick, maximum capacity 1,958 members; 1 hospital building, brick, maximum capacity 263 patients; and 42 other buildings, including storehouses, mess hall, power house, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 18 are brick, 3 brick and frame, 19 frame, 1 frame and glass, and 1 frame and stone. Land acquired by purchase; cost, \$45,961.26; original cost of buildings, \$1,360,482.95; appraised value, \$1,290,810.

UTILITIES

Heating: Steam, 12 boilers, 120 horsepower, using 18,459.6 tons of coal, at \$2.62 per ton.....	\$48,364.15
Gas: 3,236,600 cubic feet, for cooking, at \$1.351 per thousand cubic feet.....	4,375.25
Power and lighting: 396,767 kilowatt-hours purchased, at \$0.0358 per kilowatt hour.....	14,235.03
Water:	
66,015,000 gallons purchased, at \$0.1059 per thousand gallons.....	6,991.16
9,935,890 gallons pumped, at \$0.0086 per thousand gallons.....	86.80
Ice: 990 tons made, at \$2.32 per ton.....	2,296.80
Laundry: 818,271 pieces laundered, at \$0.0101 per piece.....	8,269.58
Dry-cleaning plant: 35,993 pieces cleaned, at \$0.0537 per piece.....	1,922.80

Comparative statement

	1928	1927
Average present:		
Hospital patients.....	224	212
Domiciliary members.....	1,359	1,245
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital patients.....	\$2.32	\$2.39
Domiciliary members.....	\$0.83	\$0.77
Cost of food per day per person subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	\$0.32	\$0.33
General mess.....	\$0.28	\$0.30
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	371	335
General mess.....	1,369	1,277
Average present and absent.....	2,114	1,915
Whole number cared for.....	5,235	4,524
Per capita cost.....	\$382.05	\$397.70

Return for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT		Sick in quarters: Members.....		164
For duty:		Total present:		
Governor.....	1	Commissioned officers.....		13
Treasurer.....	1	Noncommissioned officers.....		30
Surgeon.....	1	Members.....		1,589
Quartermaster.....	1	Aggregate:		
Commissary of subsistence.....	1	This return.....		1,619
Adjutant.....	1	Last return.....		1,467
Chaplains.....	1			
Assistant surgeons.....	6			
Total.....	13			
Quartermaster sergeant.....	1	ABSENT		
Commissary sergeant.....	1	With leave:		
Hospital stewards.....	2	Commissioned officers.....		1
Company commanders.....	12	Members.....		591
Company sergeants.....	12	Sick in Government Hospital for the Insane:		
Guard sergeants.....	2	Members.....		11
Total.....	30	Without leave: Members.....		76
Members subject to detail.....	922	Total absent:		
On extra duty: Members.....	278	Commissioned officers.....		1
Sick in hospital: Members.....	225	Members.....		678
		Aggregate:		
		This return.....		1,678
		Last return.....		533

¹ Commissioned officers not included in totals.

PRESENT AND ABSENT	
Commissioned officers.....	14
Noncommissioned officers.....	30
Members.....	2,267
Aggregate:	
This return.....	12,297
Last return.....	2,000
GAIN	
Appointment (officers).....	4
Transfer (officer).....	1
Admission, Mexican or Civil War.....	49
Admission, other service.....	1,108
Readmission.....	1,635
Transfer.....	443
Total.....	13,235
LOSS	
Resignation (officers).....	4
Transfer (officer).....	1
Transfer.....	426
Discharge.....	1,431
Dishonorable discharge.....	1
Dropped from roll.....	899
Death, Mexican or Civil War.....	104
Death, other service.....	77
Total.....	12,938
MISCELLANEOUS	
Changes—	
From present to absent.....	5,146
From absent to present.....	5,001
Total.....	10,147
Total beds in barracks.....	1,958
Vacant.....	535
Total beds in hospital for patients.....	263
Vacant.....	38
Members present and absent June 30, 1928, having service other than Mexican or Civil War.....	1,938

MISCELLANEOUS—continued	
Colored members present and absent June 30, 1928.....	176
AVERAGES	
Average present.....	1,583
Average present and absent.....	2,114
Whole number cared for.....	5,235
Average temporarily at post.....	85
Average number of member employees.....	261
AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED	
Members.....	1,583
Civilian employees.....	157
Total.....	1,740
WHAT WAR	
Civil.....	878
Spanish-American.....	2,303
German.....	2,054
Total.....	5,235
WHAT SERVICE	
Army.....	4,983
Marine Corps.....	59
Navy.....	193
Total.....	5,235
OFFENSES	
Major:	
Penal offenses.....	1
Bringing in intoxicating liquors.....	113
Drunkenness on duty.....	20
Absence without leave while under sen- tence.....	44
Drunkenness while under sentence.....	24
Total.....	202
Minor:	
Absence without leave.....	66
Drunkenness.....	683
Disorderly conduct.....	52
Violation of rules.....	35
Total.....	836
Grand total.....	1,038

Ages

Age	Number	Age	Number	Age	Number	Age	Number
21.....	4	41.....	91	61.....	91	81.....	102
22.....	7	42.....	101	62.....	71	82.....	101
23.....	7	43.....	47	63.....	65	83.....	105
24.....	10	44.....	39	64.....	61	84.....	93
25.....	10	45.....	50	65.....	48	85.....	82
26.....	18	46.....	70	66.....	49	86.....	37
27.....	28	47.....	92	67.....	40	87.....	30
28.....	48	48.....	121	68.....	33	88.....	33
29.....	53	49.....	151	69.....	29	89.....	13
30.....	78	50.....	146	70.....	25	90.....	5
31.....	129	51.....	183	71.....	18	91.....	3
32.....	135	52.....	144	72.....	15	92.....	3
33.....	154	53.....	138	73.....	16	93.....	2
34.....	161	54.....	116	74.....	11	94.....	2
35.....	145	55.....	130	75.....	10	95.....	1
36.....	167	56.....	118	76.....	13	96.....	1
37.....	141	57.....	120	77.....	23		
38.....	159	58.....	104	78.....	46	Total...	5,235
39.....	116	59.....	92	79.....	80		
40.....	108	60.....	99	80.....	88		

Average age of members cared for:		Years	Average age, members deceased:		Years
Civil War.....		82	Civil War.....		84
Spanish War.....		54	Spanish War.....		59
World War.....		37	World War.....		37

1 Commissioned officers not included in totals.

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1928

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain					Loss											
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped from roll	Death	Transfer to Government Hospital for Insane	Total
							Appoint-ment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped							
June 30—																							
1899	20	21	7	137	100	340	3		191	99	47	340					7	2	6	10	4		29
1900	63	148	20	822	900	1,764	1	1	756	315	380	1,453		1			80	72	38	66	44	2	303
1901	109	354	24	1,418	1,828	2,780			789	342	188	1,319					86	198	61	78	106	15	544
1902	159	618	36	2,074	2,725	3,759	2		795	391	335	1,523	1				113	301	18	166	130	17	746
1903	168	770	34	2,365	3,173	4,073	1		624	321	114	1,060					163	379	15	134	138	35	864
1904	196	806	39	2,457	3,303	4,213			574	278	152	1,004					117	365	19	163	180	6	850
1905	199	838	36	2,417	3,284	4,314	2		590	295	74	951			1		357	396	22	158	219	10	1,163
1906	216	906	40	2,369	3,309	4,310			582	395	182	1,159					186	339	14	173	202		914
1907	360	971	38	2,404	3,413	4,353			412	347	198	957					366	346	7	140	256		1,115
1908	400	889	46	2,263	3,207	4,276	1		439	399	199	1,038			1		290	486	11	168	240		1,196
1909	397	756	43	2,296	3,098	4,239	4		429	486	240	1,159		1	1		226	478	12	180	272		1,170
1910	406	717	53	2,244	3,014	4,257	3	1	379	595	210	1,188	2	2			190	679	20	254	239		1,384
1911	383	670	50	2,178	2,898	3,999	1	3	353	622	147	1,126	2				173	614	27	221	267		1,306
1912	372	603	40	2,152	2,793	3,891	4	1	361	647	185	1,198	3		1		134	654	12	170	257		1,231
1913	330	574	35	2,017	2,626	3,539	1	4	248	523	103	879	2	3			125	543		151	232		1,056
1914	369	483	42	1,902	2,446	3,509	3		293	630	100	1,026	3				190	518	1	164	260		1,136
1915	439	440	36	1,988	2,461	3,683	3	1	376	799	131	1,310	3	1		1	190	721		191	246		1,353
1916	497	420	33	1,911	2,364	3,557	5	1	280	815	126	1,227	4	1			175	805		137	273		1,395
1917	486	384	31	1,814	2,229	3,417	3	2	243	856	151	1,255	4	3			154	776	2	141	223		1,308
1918	443	388	20	1,641	2,061	3,110	8	4	222	678	84	996	9	3			97	788		98	231		1,226
1919	416	409	18	1,418	1,845	2,737	5	1	125	566	156	853	3	1			158	489		75	201		927
1920	431	417	19	1,279	1,715	2,560			159	395	196	750				12	244	425	1	60	257		999
1921	483	470	13	1,409	1,909	3,128	5	5	218	577	772	1,567	3	3	1		272	498		42	188		1,000
1922	428	561	14	1,539	2,114	3,438		5	328	691	291	1,310	1	2	1		396	712		94	233		1,438
1923	328	575	17	1,388	1,880	3,179	5	2	233	607	338	1,178	4	3			327	628		93	205		1,253
1924	372	499	13	1,378	1,890	3,225	8	4	204	694	341	1,299	8	3	1		365	768		72	207		1,413
1925	375	410	18	1,419	1,847	3,369	2	5	399	766	412	1,557		7			490	702		154	206		1,542
1926	379	420	27	1,463	1,910	3,931	2	1	662	1,028	361	2,051	2	1			358	938		545	163		2,004
1927	377	422	36	1,457	1,915	4,524	2	1	834	1,351	412	2,597	2	1			356	1,254		756	158		2,524
1928	404	468	51	1,583	2,114	5,235	4	1	1,157	1,635	443	3,236	4	1			426	1,431	1	890	181		2,938
Total							78	43	13,295	18,133	7,068	38,565	60	37	7	13	6,803	17,305	288	5,753	6,018	85	36,322

Total number cared for since date of organization to June 30, 1928, 40,376.

FORMER OFFICERS: SUBSEQUENT TO REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1919

Governor:

Col. Henry E. Rives, July 1, 1917, to June 30, 1920.
Col. Marcus W. Collett, July 1, 1920, to December 31, 1921.
Col. Frederick E. Bury, January 1, 1922, to December 31, 1923.
Col. John A. Hadley, January 1, 1924, to November 30, 1926.

Treasurer:

Maj. Frederick E. Bury, December 1, 1919, to August 31, 1920.
Maj. Elbert M. Rowland, September 1, 1920, to April 30, 1923.
Maj. Frank F. Bott, May 1, 1923, to December 31, 1926.

Surgeon:

Maj. John C. Bird, August 1, 1917, to November 30, 1920.
Maj. Harry Miller, December 1, 1920, to August 31, 1922.
Maj. Edward N. Schillinger, September 1, 1922, to December 31, 1922.
Maj. J. L. Fryer, January 1, 1923, to June 30, 1923.
Maj. Vernon Roberts, July 1, 1923, to April 30, 1924.
Maj. Thomas S. Roach, May 1, 1924, to August 15, 1924.
Maj. A. B. Thompson, August 16, 1924, to August 15, 1926.

Quartermaster:

Capt. Elbert M. Rowland, April 1, 1918, to August 31, 1920.
Capt. R. C. Finley, September 1, 1920, to April 30, 1924.
Capt. Ralph W. Jones, May 1, 1924, to December 31, 1926.

Commissary:

Capt. Joseph Ziesing, July 1, 1918, to July 20, 1921.
Capt. J. B. Machle, July 21, 1921, to August 15, 1924.
Capt. A. V. Bormann, August 16, 1924, to March 31, 1927.
Capt. A. G. Thomas, April 1, 1927, to September 22, 1927.

Adjutant and inspector:

Capt. William H. Platt, March 11, 1917, to December 31, 1919.
Capt. Claude R. Forshier, January 1, 1920, to December 31, 1926.

Chaplain:

Rev. T. L. Stipp, September 1, 1915, to May 31, 1921.
Rev. F. J. McAuliffe, August 24, 1917, to July 31, 1922.
Rev. F. P. Smith, May 31, 1921, to December 31, 1923.
Rev. Jerome W. Walch, August 1, 1922, to July 31, 1925.

Senior assistant surgeon:

Capt. E. N. Schillinger, November 20, 1919, to August 31, 1922.
Capt. L. G. Campbell, May 1, 1923, to January 10, 1924.
Capt. George R. Randall, May 1, 1924, to October 5, 1924.

OFFICERS, JUNE 30, 1928

Col. Oliver K. Marshall, governor. Appointed December 1, 1926.
Maj. Ralph W. Jones, treasurer. Appointed January 1, 1927.
Maj. Aldine E. Morgan, surgeon. Appointed August 16, 1926.
Capt. Claude R. Forshier, quartermaster. Appointed January 1, 1927.
Capt. John H. Steward, commissary of subsistence. Appointed September 23, 1927.
Capt. Donald S. Slade, adjutant and inspector. Appointed January 1, 1927.
Rev. J. D. Ewers, chaplain. Appointed April 1, 1924.
Rev. J. M. Sheedy, chaplain. Appointed August 1, 1925.
Capt. L. S. Hughes, senior assistant surgeon. Appointed October 6, 1924.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Transportation	Repairs	Farm	Total branch	Clothing	Total
CASH STATEMENT										
From general treasurer.....	\$67,100.00	\$235,000.00	\$118,000.00	\$113,000.00	\$500.00	\$55,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$604,600.00	\$2,871.29	\$607,471.29
Collections.....	5,235.36	11,092.00	1,466.44	33.21		243.75	990.90	19,061.66	641.64	19,703.30
Total.....	72,335.36	246,092.00	119,466.44	113,033.21	500.00	55,243.75	16,990.90	623,661.66	3,512.93	627,174.59
Disbursed.....	69,304.02	242,326.61	119,165.75	112,089.80	499.06	55,080.48	16,678.08	615,143.80	3,512.93	618,656.73
Returned to general treasurer.....	3,031.34	3,765.39	300.69	943.41	.94	163.27	312.82	8,517.86		8,517.86
COST OF OPERATION										
Paid by treasurer.....	69,304.02	242,326.61	119,165.75	112,089.80	499.06	55,080.48	16,678.08	615,143.80	3,512.93	618,656.73
General Accounting Office settlements.....	46.53		61.61					108.14		108.14
Outstanding liabilities.....				207.50				207.50		207.50
Aggregate.....	69,350.55	242,326.61	119,227.36	112,297.30	499.06	55,080.48	16,678.08	615,459.44	3,512.93	618,972.37
Less collections.....	1 3,031.34	11,092.00	1,466.44	33.21		243.75	990.90	16,857.64	641.64	17,499.28
Net cost.....	66,319.21	231,234.61	117,760.92	112,264.09	499.06	54,836.73	15,687.18	598,601.80	2,871.29	601,473.09
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA										
Personal services.....	41.42	27.58	20.69	59.43		22.40	7.35	178.87	1.49	180.36
Supplies.....	.32	117.27	52.26	8.13	.32	11.07	2.31	191.68	.32	192.00
Equipment.....	.16	1.22	1.44	3.36		1.17	.25	7.60		7.60
Total.....	41.90	146.07	74.39	70.92	.32	34.64	9.91	378.15	1.81	379.96

1 \$237.69 paid out under deceased members' effects; \$1,966.33 of the total received under deceased members' effects, paid out for other purposes.

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.069; supplies, \$0.291; total, \$0.36.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on net expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members, temporarily at post members, and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$52,604.61	Disbursed during the year:	
Received from Bureau of Pensions.....	730,632.10	To pensioners.....	\$685,057.47
		To families.....	22,413.00
			\$707,470.47
		Transferred to—	
		Postal fund.....	21,654.10
		U. S. Treasury.....	338.00
		Balance.....	53,774.14
Total.....	783,236.71	Total.....	783,236.71

Of the above balance, \$27,819.11 is standing to the credit of deceased members.

Rate and number of pensioners

Rate per month	Number June 30, 1927	Gain		Total	Loss		Number June 30, 1928
		By admission, readmission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
\$6	6	3		9	5		4
8	1	2		3			3
10	2	1		3	2		1
12	8	6		14	4		10
14	1			1	1		0
15	3			3		3	0
16	0	1		1			1
17	4	9		13	6		8
20	40	87	3	130	51	8	71
24	2	2		4	1		3
25	90	63	59	212	82	51	79
30	165	177	109	451	162	110	179
36	13	11	6	30	15		15
40	248	240	149	637	130	220	287
50	463	227	203	893	285	170	438
65	1			1			1
72	276	81	33	390	183		207
80	1			1			1
Total..	1,324	910	562	2,796	926	562	1,308

Actual number of pensioners cared for (from total deduct the number gained by change of rate), 2,234.

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward.....	\$386.94	Transferred to general post fund.....	\$19,132.54
Stores: Sales, etc.....	1,560.00	Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	11,674.60
Hotel and restaurant: Sales, etc.....	945.00	Repairs.....	1,788.49
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	502.28	Miscellaneous.....	1,725.06
Miscellaneous.....	394.08	Posthumous pension fund.....	1,663.35
Posthumous pension fund.....	21,654.10	Posthumous fund, act of June 25, 1910..	4,734.25
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	6,074.93	Balance.....	3,599.02
Transferred from general post fund.....	12,800.00		
Total.....	44,317.31	Total.....	44,317.31

Comparative statement of resources

Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount
Cash.....	\$3,599.02	Cash.....	\$386.94
Store: Fixtures.....	398.64	Store: Fixtures.....	387.50
Hotel, etc.: Fixtures.....	255.50	Hotel, etc.: Fixtures.....	299.00
Amusement fixtures.....	7,170.90	Amusement fixtures.....	6,816.85
Buildings.....	19,500.00	Buildings.....	19,500.00
Miscellaneous.....	1,348.00	Miscellaneous.....	1,350.00
Total.....	32,272.12	Total.....	28,740.29
Liabilities.....	1,595.95	Liabilities.....	None.

Employees paid from post fund

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Billiard hall.....	1	0	\$384.00
Chapels (janitors).....	2	0	578.00
Library.....	2	1	1,580.00
Choir.....	4	6	2,040.00
Theater.....	3	0	1,286.93
Superintendent post fund office.....	0	1	960.00
Total.....	12	8	6,826.93

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments, and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games, and library free of charge. There were given 171 band concerts, 102 motion-picture shows, and 67 baseball games.

Under this head there was expended for—

102 motion-picture shows.....	\$2,042.13
67 baseball games.....	1,500.00
Books, etc., and clubroom equipment.....	1,166.35
For services, members of the band and other employees authorized.....	5,866.93
Radio equipment, etc.....	1,069.19
Total.....	11,674.60

The expenditures from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$11,674.60, a per capita of \$7.37 figured on the average present.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital is divided into 10 wards and has a capacity for 263 patients. Combination barracks have a capacity of 343.

There are 6 assistant surgeons, 20 female trained nurses, and 39 male nurses. On June 30, there were 225 patients in hospital, 164 sick in quarters, and 51 members at sick call. There were 38 vacant beds in hospital on that date.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year, were as follows:

	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Average present sick in hospital.....	224	212
Average present sick in quarters.....	180	170
Total average sick.....	404	382
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	25.52	26.2
Number treated in hospital.....	1,063	1,308
Number treated at sick call.....	1,550	1,449
Died in the home.....	146	139
Died while absent from the home.....	35	19
Total deaths.....	181	158
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	34.57	34.92
Average age at death.....	71	78
Number of insane cared for.....	110	114
Number of blind cared for.....	9	12
Total patients in the Government Hospital for the Insane.....	11	12
Number of insane present June 30.....	46	46
Number of blind present June 30.....	9	11
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	11	8
Number of tubercular patients June 30.....	2	2

Causes of death during the year, and number of deaths from each cause

Alcoholism, acute.....	2	Suffocation.....	1
Abscess.....	1	Tuberculosis:	
Arteriosclerosis, general.....	16	Spinal.....	1
Anemia, pernicious.....	1	Pulmonary.....	3
Carcinoma:		Valvular heart disease.....	7
Groin.....	1	Unknown.....	26
Rectum.....	1		
Cystitis, acute.....	2	Total.....	181
Cardiac dilatation.....	3		
Cerebral hemorrhage.....	15	Number of operations performed during the	
Cardiac asthma.....	1	year:	
Diarrhea.....	1	Major.....	164
Encephalitis, alcoholic.....	2	Minor.....	433
Empyema.....	2	Total.....	597
Epithelioma:			
Epiglottis.....	1	Average number of hospital employees:	
Neck.....	1	Male.....	88
Fracture, hip.....	2	Female.....	52
Gangrene, foot.....	1	Total.....	140
Hernia.....	1		
Myocarditis, chronic.....	54	Amount expended from appropriation	
Mitral insufficiency.....	12	for hospital during the year:	
Nephritis:		Services.....	\$94,082.26
Chronic interstitial.....	6	Drugs and medicines.....	8,152.44
Parenchymatous.....	4	Wines, liquors, alcohol, and beer....	246.21
Pneumonia.....	8	All other supplies and appliances....	10,266.89
Prostatitis, acute suppurative.....	1	Total.....	112,747.80
Peritonitis.....	2		
Railroad accident.....	1		
Strangulation.....	1		

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT

No buildings were constructed during the year.

Repairs

	Nature of, other than painting	Cost	Painting
Barracks.....	Washing walls, plumbing, porches, outside woodwork, and tin work.....	\$0,415.27	\$2,947.14
Hospital.....	Washing walls, plumbing, porch columns, etc.....	3,728.38	928.30
Nurses' cottage.....	Carpentry and plumbing.....	219.96	1,370.24
Power house.....	Brickwork to boilers and general repairs.....	2,245.20	42.74
Mess halls.....	Repairs and washing walls, minor carpentry, and plumbing.....	1,106.45	723.53
Quartermaster's storehouse.....	Carpentry; general repairs.....	251.41	22.00
Laundry and shops.....	Line shafting, washing walls; general repairs.....	696.81	487.33
Quarters.....	Carpentry, plumbing, and tin work.....	1,040.72	953.76
Steam lines, etc.....	Renewals and insulating.....	2,705.47	
Roads and grounds.....	Resurfacing, renewing drains, pipe lines, and lights.....	2,136.13	327.00
Post fund buildings.....	Carpentry, general repairs.....	464.79	33.70
Miscellaneous maintenance repairs to various buildings; lights, water, sewer and heating; and supplies, etc.		21,000.00	2,047.00
Total.....		45,010.59	9,882.74

STABLE

Average number of public animals kept during the year: $2\frac{1}{2}$ horses, 3 mules, appraised value, \$700; purchased during the year, 2 horses. Number and kind of public vehicles in use: 4 motor trucks, 2 motor ambulances, 1 horse ambulance, 1 sprinkler, 1 laundry wagon, and 4 farm wagons.

FARM AND GARDEN

Sixty-one thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven gallons of milk were purchased during the year, at \$0.257 per gallon.

One hundred and twenty-two and one-half acres were cultivated, as follows: 70 acres of grass and pasture; 52 acres of hay; one-half acre of flowers. Thirty-one and one-half acres were not in use.

Products and disposition

Articles	Used in commissary and sales	Consumed by farm	Total
Hay and grain.....	\$47.50	\$332.50	\$1,027.50
Flowers.....	275.90	-----	275.90
Total.....	323.40	332.50	1,303.40

Cost of operation

	Average number of teams	Average number employ-ees	Amount paid for services	Consumed by farm	Amount paid for supplies	Total
Nonproductive:						
Upkeep of roads, cemeteries, etc.....	11½	9	\$3,967.90	\$180.71	\$857.22	\$5,005.83
Team, camp work.....	1½	12¾	7,104.30	232.34	2,319.81	9,656.54
Productive: Farm proper and vegetable garden.....	-----	1	564.80	-----	539.85	1,104.65

Total expenses of operating productive enterprises under this head, \$1,104.65; value of products, \$1,303.40; net profit, \$198.75.

HEATING, LIGHTING, AND POWER PLANT, WATER, AND GAS

The steam plant consists of twelve 120-horsepower Babcock & Wilcox boilers and conveyor equipment installed in 1898. The refrigeration and ice plant consist of 1 Vilter ammonia compressor; 1 brine and freezing tank; 1 ammonia storage tank; 1 condenser; 1 ice dump; 1 ice hoist track car; 1 agitator; 2 brine pumps; 3 motors; 1 rotary pump; 1 fresh water circulating pump; 160 freezing cans, installed in 1922.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees:		Fuel.....	\$48,364.16
Steam plant.....	\$13,588.39	Oils, other than fuel.....	197.88
Refrigeration and ice plant.....	2,306.40	Repairs, including parts.....	1,493.11
	15,894.79	All other supplies.....	295.41
		Total.....	66,245.34

Fuel: 18,581.25 tons bituminous coal were purchased at \$2.62 per ton. Year prior 16,867 tons were purchased at \$2.93 per ton.

Electric current: Purchased 396,757 kilowatt-hours; average cost per kilowatt-hour \$0.0358; total cost of current, \$14,235.03.

Gas was used for cooking—small quantity for dry cleaning and heating water; 3,236,600 cubic feet were purchased at an average price of \$1.351 per thousand. Year prior 3,157,400 cubic feet were purchased at an average price of \$1.352 per thousand.

Water: Daily average consumption of water was 180,863 gallons. Purchased 66,015,000 gallons, at \$0.1059 per thousand gallons. Prior year purchased 73,503,795 gallons, at \$0.103 per thousand gallons.

Ice: Capacity of ice plant, 5 tons refrigeration and 9 tons ice; 990 tons produced at a cost of \$2.32 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING PLANT

Laundry machinery and equipment consist of 2 combination ironers, 1 dry room, 2 drying tumblers, 2 extractors, 1 steam engine, 2 electric motors, 1 sterilizer, 3 washers, and 1 presser; dry cleaning equipment, 1 drying tumbler, 1 dust wheel, 1 extractor, 2 pressing machines, 1 still, 2 washers, and 1 electric motor.

Cost of operation

	Employees		Amount for services	Supplies	Parts	Total
	Male	Female				
Laundry.....	9	4	\$6,004.93	\$2,077.53	\$187.12	\$8,269.58
Dry cleaning plant.....	3	0	1,048.40	274.40	.....	1,322.80
Total.....	12	4	7,653.33	2,351.93	187.12	10,192.38

Pieces laundered, 818,271; cost per piece, \$0.0101; cost per capita, \$5.22. Pieces dry cleaned, 35,993 cost per piece, \$0.0537; cost per capita, \$1.22.

Clothing

Articles	Issued for use	Con- demned	In storehouses June 30, 1928		
			New	Reissue	Value
Blouses.....	18	25	.....	10	\$40.40
Shirts, olive drab.....	240	200	.....	19	35.00
Coats:					
Dress.....	1,450	403	118	285	2,039.18
Great.....	23	85	.....	27	151.74
Drawers:					
Heavy.....	829	610	319	355	384.18
Light.....	1,009	958	61	27	23.76
Hats, wool.....	1,118	900	300	73	566.10
Coats, great, olive drab.....	39	4	.....	17	42.50
Shirts:					
Chambray.....	1,815	1,410	131	70	114.57
Cotton.....	.....	139	59	.....	49.56
Shoes.....	949	1,070	124	42	400.06
Slippers.....	97	594	441	.....	598.25
Socks:					
Cotton.....	2,314	4,780	409	306	78.65
Wool.....	139	170	.....	25	4.50
Suspenders.....	569	555	144	50	44.62
Trousers.....	2,561	1,208	395	455	2,482.00
Undershirts:					
Cotton.....	1,242	640	173	182	79.30
Wool.....	860	560	327	450	878.01
Vests.....	1,120	428	186	290	813.96
Clothing condemned.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14,351.40
Clothing received from general depot.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,786.98

Employees under the general fund and amount paid

	Officers	Members	Nonmem- bers	Total
Average daily employed during the year.....	14	262	161	437
Total amount paid.....	\$35,242.14	\$117,451.28	\$132,798.86	\$285,492.28
Average daily employed prior year.....	14	247	155	426
Total amount paid.....	\$35,006.50	\$106,882.16	\$134,160.78	\$276,049.44

Nonmember employees

Average number of men.....	60	Musician, chief.....	1
Average number of women.....	101	Musicians.....	9
Total.....	161	Nurse, chief.....	1
Baker.....	1	Nurses, women.....	19
Builders and carpenters.....	5	Oculist.....	1
Chiefs.....	15	Painters.....	5
Consultants.....	2	Plumbers.....	2
Cooks.....	9	Printer.....	1
Physiotherapy aide.....	1	Truck driver.....	1
Druggist.....	1	Seamstresses.....	2
Electrician.....	1	Shoemaker.....	1
Engineer, chief.....	1	Steamfitters.....	2
Engineers.....	2	Tailor.....	1
Fireman.....	7	Technicians.....	3
Gardener.....	1	Tinsmith.....	1
Janitress.....	1	Upholsterer.....	1
Laborers.....	19	Waiters.....	41
Matron.....	1	Ward attendants.....	2
		Total.....	161

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general camp and hospital. In addition to the general mess hall, two barracks are equipped with a combination kitchen and dining room for aged and infirm members and women members.

The mess hall capacity of the branch at one sitting is as follows: General mess hall, 720; combination messes, 168; noncommissioned officers' and clerks' mess, 60; hospital general mess, 144; women's mess, 50; nurses' mess, 28; total, 1,170.

Average number of persons served by waiter at each sitting in above messes is, respectively, 36, 24, 21, 30, 19, 28.

Average sittings daily, average number served daily, average number of employees and cost of rations

	Sit- tings	Number served	Dining room	Kitchen	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
General mess.....	2	1,108	30	26	\$28	\$30
Combination mess.....	2	214	7	8	28	32
Hospital general mess.....	2	322	7	13	32	33
Noncommissioned officers' and clerks' mess.....	1	47	3	2	27	27
Nurses' mess.....	1	30	1	1	29	31
Women's mess.....	1	19	1	1	33	29

The average daily consumption, per man, on some of the food articles, was as follows: Bread, 8.83 ounces; milk, 0.78 pint; sugar, 3.36 ounces; meat and fish, 12.18 ounces; cheese, 0.15 ounce; cereal, 0.52 ounce; coffee and tea, 1.06 ounces; oleo, 1.05 ounces; vegetables, 19.99 ounces.

Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same during the year

Article	Quantity	Total cost	Article	Quantity	Total cost
Bacon.....pound..	32,063	\$6,186.42	Milk.....gallons..	61,987	\$15,930.66
Beef, dressed.....do..	157,539	21,972.37	Onions.....pounds..	43,690	1,416.28
Eggs.....dozen.....	50,149	14,044.24	Potatoes.....do.....	474,606	10,283.14
Fish, fresh.....pounds	9,536	1,266.22	Sugar.....do.....	133,517	8,266.54
Ham.....do.....	27,947	5,378.62	Beans, navy.....do.....	16,666	1,116.75
Flour.....do.....	231,268	7,388.72	Beans, Lima.....do.....	6,229	472.92
Cheese.....do.....	6,109	1,433.03	Rice.....do.....	6,344	302.20
Oleo.....do.....	41,703	4,883.80	Apples, evaporated.....do..	3,380	458.95
Coffee.....do.....	42,132	10,439.96	Peaches, evaporated.....do..	4,355	446.51
Pork, shoulders.....do..	23,600	3,723.57	Pork, salt.....do.....	17,249	2,860.86

Swill and garbage sold for \$733.38.

Bakery—Operation and average cost per pound of bread, etc., produced

	Pounds of flour and meal used	Pounds of bread, etc., produced	Cost per pound
Bread.....	180,592	254,920	\$1.0240
Cake.....	18,222	42,932	.0536
Pies.....	5,520	19,316	.0861
Corn bread.....	8,760	12,440	.0370
Total.....	210,094	329,608	.0388

Average pounds of bread produced from 100 pounds of flour, 141; average number of employees, 3; amount paid employees, \$2,400; cost of fuel, \$824.50; total, \$3,224.50.

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 72 persons, and is open daily between the hours of 8 a. m. and 8 p. m.; 15 newspapers and 35 periodicals were supplied; 325 new books purchased during year. Total number of volumes, 8,055.

There are three persons employed in the library. Cost of services, \$1,580. Books circulated or read, 20,426.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 250 persons. Five choristers were employed. Regular services were held once a week. Average attendance, 112. The chaplain officiated at 73 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital six times per week.

Catholic.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 250 persons. Five choristers were employed. Regular services were held once a week. Average attendance, 120. Other services six times per week. The chaplain officiated at 13 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital six times per week.

CEMETERY

There were 86 burials in the cemetery during the year. Total number buried there, 3,776. Total capacity of the cemetery, 6,000 graves.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 10½. Paid from general fund, \$9,110; clothing, \$209.53; subsistence, \$936.78; total, \$10,256.31.

O. K. MARSHALL, *Governor.*

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE MOUNTAIN BRANCH, YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928

Branch established 1903, by act of Congress, located in Washington County, 1½ miles west of Johnson City, Tenn.; post office, National Sanatorium, Tenn. The reservation comprises 447.48 acres; 130.48 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 9.33 miles of roadway; 192 acres used for farming, 20 acres of woods, and 104 acres of pasture. A dairy is operated, with 65 cows, 39 heifers, and 3 bulls in the herd. There are 59 buildings on the reservation, including 5 barracks, all brick, maximum capacity 992 members; 4 hospital buildings, 3 brick, 1 frame; maximum capacity, 661 patients; and 50 other buildings, including storehouse, mess hall, power house, theater, chapels, library, etc., of which 20 are brick, 28 frame, and 2 concrete. Land acquired by purchase cost \$29,-356.50; original cost of buildings, \$2,165,045.61; appraised value, \$2,116,403.

Utilities

Heating: Steam, with 6 boilers, 1,730 horsepower, using 18,729 tons coal, at \$2.44.....	\$45,698.76
Gas: Purchased 182,500 cubic feet used for cooking, etc., billing scale 116,700 cubic feet, at \$1.80 per 1,000 cubic feet and 67,500 cubic feet, at \$1.70 per 1,000 cubic feet.....	321.92
Lighting: Electric; generated 1,240,170 kilowatt-hours, at \$0.0092 per kilowatt-hour (none purchased).....	11,387.27
Water: Purchased 150,576,000 gallons, at \$0.060721 per 1,000 gallons.....	9,637.42
Ice: Made 825 tons, at \$1.12 per ton.....	924.00
Laundry: 916,817 pieces laundered, at \$0.0123 per piece.....	11,276.85
Dry-cleaning plant: 23,983 pieces cleaned, at \$0.0736 per piece.....	1,684.19

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1928	Fiscal year 1927
Average present:		
Hospital patients.....	501	631
Domiciliary members.....	498	0
Maintenance cost per day:		
Hospital patients.....	\$2.26	\$2.87
Domiciliary members.....	\$1.83	0
Cost food per day per person subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	\$0.604	\$0.508
Tuberculosis hospital mess.....	\$0.546	0
General mess.....	\$0.352	0
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess.....	288	631
Tuberculosis hospital mess.....	213	0
General mess.....	498	0
Average number present and absent.....	1,206	631
Whole number cared for.....	3,318	2,210
Per capita cost.....	\$745.90	\$1,045.80

Return for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT			
For duty:		Total present:	
Governor.....	1	Commissioned officers.....	19
Treasurer.....	1	Noncommissioned officers.....	9
Surgeon.....	1	Members.....	1,626
Quartermaster.....	1	Aggregate:	
Commissary of subsistence.....	1	This return.....	1,054
Adjutant and inspector.....	1	Last return.....	763
Chaplains.....	1		
Assistant surgeons.....	12	ABSENT	
Total.....	19	With leave:	
Company commanders.....	4	Commissioned officers.....	3
Company sergeants.....	5	Members.....	193
Total.....	9	Without leave, members.....	51
Members subject to detail.....	486	Total absent:	
On extra duty, members.....	58	Commissioned officers.....	3
Sick in hospital, members.....	483	Members.....	244
		Aggregate:	
		This return.....	247
		Last return.....	104

192 NATIONAL HOME FOR DISABLED VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS

PRESENT AND ABSENT

Commissioned officers.....	22
Noncommissioned officers.....	9
Members.....	1,370
Aggregate:	
This return.....	1,301
Last return.....	884

GAIN

Appointment (officers).....	6
Transfer (officers).....	4
Admissions.....	928
Readmissions.....	1,356
Transfer.....	192
Total.....	2,486

LOSS

Resignation (officers).....	6
Transfer (officers).....	4
Transfer.....	180
Discharge.....	1,380
Dropped from roll.....	453
Deaths, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	14
Deaths, other service.....	92
Total.....	2,049

MISCELLANEOUS

Changes:	
From present to absent.....	2,833
From absent to present.....	2,690
Total.....	5,523
Total beds in barracks.....	880
Vacant.....	328
Total beds in hospital for patients.....	773
Vacant.....	255
Members present and absent June 30, 1928, having service other than Mexican or Civil Wars.....	1,230
Colored members present and absent June 30, 1928.....	95

AVERAGES

Average present.....	999
Average present and absent.....	1,205

AVERAGES—continued

Whole number cared for.....	2,318
Average temporarily at post.....	143
Average number of member employees.....	43

AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED

Members.....	999
Civilian boarders.....	7
Civilian employees.....	408
Total.....	1,414

WHAT WAR

Civil.....	145
Spanish-American.....	1,239
World War.....	1,934
Total.....	3,318

WHAT SERVICE

Regular.....	3,067
Marine Corps.....	56
Navy.....	205
Total.....	3,318

OFFENSES

Major:	
Penal offenses.....	10
Bringing in intoxicating liquors.....	119
Drunkenness on duty.....	8
Absence without leave while under sentence.....	57
Carrying arms.....	10
Total.....	204
Minor:	
Absence without leave.....	190
Drunkenness.....	452
Disorderly conduct.....	10
Violation of rules.....	42
Total.....	694
Total offenses.....	898

Ages

Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number
18.....	1	38.....	88	58.....	44	78.....	12
19.....	7	39.....	81	59.....	43	79.....	12
20.....	8	40.....	63	60.....	42	80.....	16
21.....	13	41.....	47	61.....	37	81.....	17
22.....	19	42.....	33	62.....	44	82.....	15
23.....	27	43.....	21	63.....	37	83.....	7
24.....	30	44.....	24	64.....	31	84.....	16
25.....	41	45.....	24	65.....	19	85.....	10
26.....	38	46.....	29	66.....	30	86.....	6
27.....	58	47.....	62	67.....	30	87.....	2
28.....	79	48.....	64	68.....	23	88.....	3
29.....	110	49.....	81	69.....	16	89.....	3
30.....	145	50.....	98	70.....	17	90.....	1
31.....	168	51.....	78	71.....	13	91.....	1
32.....	158	52.....	66	72.....	11		
33.....	175	53.....	71	73.....	6		
34.....	154	54.....	74	74.....	9		
35.....	144	55.....	67	75.....	11		
36.....	87	56.....	45	76.....	4		
37.....	58	57.....	60	77.....	8		
						Total.....	3,318

Average age members cared for:

Civil War.....	79.04
Spanish-American War.....	55.59
German War.....	33.50

Average age members deceased:

Civil War.....	79.07
Spanish-American War.....	56.20
German War.....	33.33

Average number present and absent, etc., and gains and losses from date of organization to June 30, 1928

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain						Loss									
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absent without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers				Transfer	Discharged	Dishonorable dis- charge	Dropped from roll	Deaths	Total
							Appoint- ment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Death	Dropped						
June 30—																						
1903						4	4					4	1									1
1904	23	42	3	117	142	360	4		180	88	88	360	1				6	35	7	4	8	61
1905	99	139	11	698	827	1,592	1		416	208	665	1,290	1				36	318	6	38	60	450
1906	150	247	15	1,046	1,278	2,037	2		416	228	258	904	1				133	408	16	95	98	751
1907	136	265	28	1,073	1,366	2,303			257	200	560	1,017	1				195	374	11	94	77	752
1908	161	321	33	1,295	1,642	2,650	4		317	291	487	1,099	2	1			132	590	10	94	95	924
1909	158	316	32	1,409	1,757	2,595	6		361	310	192	869	2	1			146	530	14	139	100	932
1910	188	362	21	1,446	1,829	2,801	3		366	406	363	1,138	1	1			179	491	13	128	149	962
1911	237	391	22	1,460	1,873	2,798	3		296	404	256	959	1	1	1		194	495	11	109	136	948
1912	256	423	21	1,482	1,928	2,757	5		232	363	307	907	4	1			261	485	19	107	156	1,033
1913	216	419	19	1,209	1,647	2,374	4		160	307	179	650	3			1	189	401	2	116	155	867
1914	237	361	13	1,168	1,542	2,303	4	1	192	383	216	796	2	3			169	427		95	140	836
1915	244	358	12	1,171	1,541	2,330	2		223	432	208	863	1	1			189	436		82	162	871
1916	257	346	14	1,127	1,487	2,358	3		197	483	216	899	2	1			210	510	1	98	127	949
1917	252	347	16	1,113	1,476	2,331	1	1	248	490	182	922	1	1	1		210	471		82	144	910
1918	240	342	15	1,053	1,310	2,097	5		163	370	128	676	2	2			121	476		61	140	802
1919	350	591	16	1,191	1,798	3,093	4	3	135	461	1,195	1,798	4	1		1	149	566		78	229	1,038
1920	420	675	20	1,293	1,988	3,063	1		363	359	285	1,008	1			12	605	465	1	94	233	1,411
1921	622	215	88	546	849	3,721	2	4	1,844	142	808	2,075	1	7			955	1,545	1	320	68	2,897
1922	683	61	12	683	922	2,971	18	1	1,811	304	24	2,139	5	1			26	1,434		754	68	2,261
1923	668	60	16	668	756	2,040	9	5	958	368	24	1,350	12	3			9	700		377	78	1,164
1924	625	73	22	625	730	1,996	11	2	670	427	23	1,120	8	7			5	728		471	60	1,264
1925	660	87	22	660	769	2,069	9	5	916	404	17	1,137	5	7		1	11	917		345	81	1,354
1926	568	35	13	568	616	2,056	7	4	694	543	11	1,259	10	5			3	1,044		391	109	1,562
1927	474	40	22	631	693	2,210	6	1	708	929	64	1,701	5	2			37	847		365	119	1,388
1928	501	154	52	999	1,206	3,318	6	4	928	1,356	192	2,476	6	4			150	1,330		453	106	2,039
Total							124	31	13,051	10,256	6,231	29,616	83	50	2	15	4,319	16,023	112	4,990	2,908	28,436

Whole number cared for from date of organization to June 30, 1928, 29,478.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

Cash statement	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Transportation	Repairs	Farm	Total branch	Clothing	Total
From general treasurer.....	\$57,000.00	\$281,000.00	\$96,000.00	\$239,800.00	\$500.00	\$51,500.00	\$33,600.00	\$758,600.00	\$2,213.08	\$768,813.08
Collections.....	400.22	10,331.24	460.12	673.79	-----	1,612.94	7,211.00	20,689.31	474.89	21,164.20
Total.....	57,400.22	291,331.24	96,460.12	240,473.79	500.00	53,112.94	40,811.00	779,289.31	2,687.97	781,977.28
Disbursed.....	57,398.73	288,932.82	96,109.76	229,950.86	493.15	52,254.54	39,551.81	764,691.67	2,687.97	767,379.64
Returned to general treasurer.....	1.49	2,398.42	350.36	10,322.93	6.85	858.40	656.19	14,597.64	-----	14,597.64
COST OF OPERATION										
Paid by treasurer.....	57,398.73	288,932.82	96,109.76	229,950.86	493.15	52,254.54	39,551.81	764,691.67	2,687.97	767,379.64
General Accounting Office settlements.....	-----	-----	-----	92.20	-----	48.00	-----	140.20	-----	140.20
Outstanding liabilities.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Aggregate.....	57,398.73	288,932.82	96,109.76	230,043.06	493.15	52,302.54	39,551.81	764,831.87	2,687.97	767,519.84
Less collections.....	400.22	10,331.24	460.12	673.79	-----	1,612.94	7,211.00	20,689.31	474.89	21,164.20
Net cost.....	56,998.51	278,601.58	95,649.64	229,369.27	493.15	50,689.60	32,340.81	744,142.56	2,213.08	746,355.64
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA										
Personal services.....	54.22	46.42	30.15	201.74	-----	36.75	19.29	398.57	1.98	390.55
Supplies.....	2.37	229.04	63.09	17.82	.49	13.89	11.32	338.02	.23	338.25
Equipment.....	.47	3.42	2.51	10.04	-----	.10	1.76	18.30	-----	18.30
Total.....	57.06	278.88	95.75	229.60	.49	50.74	32.37	744.89	2.21	747.10

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.09; supplies, \$0.486; total, \$0.576. Average number present, 999; average number subsisted, 1,407.

Farm products transferred to subsistence, \$17,777.20.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on net expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members temporarily at post, members and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$335. 80	Disbursed during the year:	
Received from Bureau of Pensions.....	235, 181. 64	To pensioners.....	\$233, 532. 37
		To families.....	854. 27
			<u>\$234, 386. 64</u>
		Transferred to post fund.....	38. 80
		Balance.....	<u>1, 092. 00</u>
	<u>235, 517. 44</u>	Total.....	<u>235, 517. 44</u>

Of the above balance \$690 is standing to the credit of deceased members.

THE RATE AND NUMBER OF PENSIONERS

Rate per month	Number June 30, 1927	Gain		Total	Loss		Number June 30, 1928
		By admission, readmission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
6	1	9	0	10	2	2	6
8	1	6	0	7	3	1	3
10	0	2	0	2	1	1	0
12	4	17	0	21	9	5	7
14	0	1	1	2	1	0	1
15	0	3	0	3	1	0	2
17	4	10	2	16	7	2	7
20	9	23	1	33	16	9	8
24	2	8	0	10	4	2	4
25	9	60	2	71	35	19	17
30	36	138	19	193	94	30	69
40	52	220	12	284	160	33	91
44	0	2	0	2	1	0	1
50	124	430	59	613	382	7	224
51. 50	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
56	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
57. 50	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
58	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
62. 50	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
65	1	5	0	6	4	0	2
72	38	43	10	91	53	0	38
75	1	0	0	1	1	0	0
80	2	0	0	2	1	0	1
-----	288	978	106	1, 372	779	111	482

Actual number of pensioners cared for 1,266. (From total deduct the number gained by change of rate.)

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward.....	\$1, 164. 25	Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	\$11, 305. 52
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	1, 161. 15	Repairs.....	7, 553. 50
Miscellaneous.....	2, 451. 47	Miscellaneous.....	3, 161. 63
Posthumous pension fund.....	38. 80	Posthumous pension fund.....	38. 80
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	1, 120. 07	Posthumous fund, act of June 25, 1910..	953. 80
Transferred from general post fund.....	18, 200. 00	Balance.....	<u>1, 112. 49</u>
Total.....	<u>24, 125. 74</u>	Total.....	<u>24, 125. 74</u>

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount
Cash.....	\$1, 164. 25	Cash.....	\$1, 112. 49
Store: Fixtures.....	193. 40	Store: Fixtures.....	193. 40
Amusement fixtures.....	18, 561. 61	Amusement fixtures.....	17, 557. 07
Buildings.....	25, 950. 00	Buildings.....	25, 950. 00
Miscellaneous.....	10, 370. 21	Miscellaneous.....	10, 397. 54
Total.....	<u>56, 239. 47</u>	Total.....	<u>55, 210. 50</u>
Liabilities, \$4,050.58.		Liabilities, \$1,372.76.	

EMPLOYEES PAID FROM POST FUND

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Protestant and Catholic chapels, janitor.....	1	0	\$700.00
Amusement hall, janitor.....	1	0	458.01
Library.....	2	1	1,727.60
Band.....	4	0	240.00
Choir.....	2	8	2,040.00
Theater.....	2	0	640.33
Superintendent post fund office.....	1	0	900.00
Total.....	13	9	6,745.94

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games, and library free of charge.

There were given 261 band concerts, 282 motion-picture shows, 22 baseball games, and 2 theatrical performances.

Under this head there was expended for:

282 motion-picture shows.....	\$3,367.60
22 baseball games.....	550.00
2 theatrical entertainments.....	625.00
Books, etc., and clubroom equipment.....	672.63
For services, members of the band and other employees authorized.....	6,745.94
Total.....	11,961.17

The expenditures from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$18,707.11, a per capita of \$18.72, figured on the average present, 999.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital is divided into 15 wards and has a capacity for 773 patients. Quarters for convalescents provided for 880 and tubercular cottage for 511 patients.

There are 13 assistant surgeons, 47 female trained nurses, and 2 practical male nurses. On June 30 there were 518 patients in hospital and 52 members at sick call. There were 255 vacant beds in hospital on that date.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year, were as follows:

	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Average present sick in hospital.....	501	474
Average present sick in quarters.....	0	0
Total average sick.....	501	474
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	50.1	75.11
Number treated in hospital.....	1,800	1,641
Number treated at sick call.....	1,362	3,601
Died in the home.....	100	117
Died while absent from the home.....	6	2
Total deaths.....	106	119
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	31.84	53.84
Average age at death.....	43.31	37.89
Number of insane cared for.....	12	0
Number of blind cared for.....	5	0
Number of insane sent to Government Hospital during the year.....	0	0
Total patients in the Government Hospital for the Insane.....	0	0
Number of insane present June 30.....	3	0
Number of blind present June 30.....	2	0
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	1,007	1,408
Number of tubercular patients June 30.....	323	403

Causes of death during the year and number of deaths from each cause:

Tuberculosis.....	68
Chronic myocarditis.....	6
Acute colitis.....	1
Syphilis, tertiary.....	1
Bronchial pneumonia.....	1
Cardiac embolism.....	1
Ostitis, chronic.....	1
Cerebral hemorrhage.....	3
Acute nephritis.....	2
Acute cardiac dilatation.....	3
mitral stenosis.....	1
Peritonitis.....	1
Diabetes mellitus.....	1
Cardiac asthma.....	1
Cerebral meningitis.....	1
Acute intestinal obstruction.....	1
Aortic insufficiency.....	1
Acute dysentery.....	1
Abscess, pulmonary right base.....	1
Intestinal perforation.....	1
Toxic myocarditis.....	1
Myocarditis alcoholic.....	1
Endarteritis, embolic, right foot.....	1

Six members barracks died while absent.

Number of operations performed during the year:

Major.....	127
Minor.....	107
Total.....	234

Average number of hospital employees :

Male.....	110.4
Female.....	46.8
Total.....	156.7

Amount expended from appropriation for hospital during the year:

Services.....	\$201,500.10
Drugs and medicines.....	4,470.51
Wines, liquors, alcohol, and beer.....	300.73
All other supplies and appliances.....	23,599.36
Total.....	229,870.70

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT—BUILDINGS

Construction.—During the year there was constructed an entrance and receiving platform at the laundry, toilet facilities Annex 1, and Doctor Peyton's quarters in hospital; treasurer's quarters and commissary of subsistence's quarters; water main extended to dairy barn; total, \$1,172.88.

Repairs

Building	Nature of, other than painting	Cost	Painting
Annex No. 1 and hospital.....	Inclosing and heating 4 wards.....	\$1,343.17	
Post store.....	Front steps and walks.....	187.76	
Chaplain and druggists' quarters.....	Reroofing.....	669.94	
Hospital.....	Corridor deck roof.....	2,563.94	
All other buildings.....	All miscellaneous repairs.....	22,414.98	
Painting officer's quarters, annex 1; barracks 4 and 6; nurses' home and dairy barn.....			\$4,164.89
Painting all other buildings, miscellaneous.....			6,570.87
Total.....		27,179.79	10,735.46

Appraisement of branch acreage, buildings, and permanent improvements

	Number of acres or buildings	Date of purchase or construction	From what fund	Appraisement, June 30, 1928
LAND				
Original purchase.....	acres.....		General.....	\$45,000
Do.....	do.....	1901	do.....	175,000
Do.....	do.....	1902	do.....	6,000
Total.....	447.48	1903		226,000
BUILDINGS AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS				
Old post house (farmer's quarters).....	1	1902	General.....	2,000
Barrack buildings No. 1 and No. 2.....	2	1903, 1921	do.....	263,100
Laundry building.....	1	1903	do.....	35,000
Water system and extension.....	1	1903	do.....	31,500
Storehouse.....	1	1903	do.....	80,000
Ice plant.....	1	1903, 1925, 1927	General and post.....	26,193
Hospital (including morgue).....	1	1903, 1924, 1925	General morgue, hospital, post.....	500,000

Appraisalment of branch acreage, buildings, and permanent improvements—Cont'd

	Number of acres or buildings	Date of purchase or construction	From what fund	Appraisalment, June 30, 1928
BUILDINGS AND PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS—CON.				
Power house.....	1	1903	General.....	\$150,000
Administration building.....	1	1904	do.....	37,700
Combination barracks.....	1	1904, 1921, 1925	General and post.....	87,000
Governor's quarters.....	1	1904	General.....	10,000
Guard barracks.....	1	1904	do.....	25,000
Barracks Nos. 3, 4, 5, and 6.....	4	1904, 1921	do.....	260,000
Propagating house.....	1	1904, 1908	do.....	10,000
Officers' quarters.....	4	1904	do.....	30,000
Stable.....	1	1904	do.....	12,000
Lodges and piers.....	2	1904	do.....	3,700
Mess hall.....	1	1904	do.....	132,000
Tool and implement shed.....	1	1903	do.....	300
Barn (at farmer's quarters).....	1	1902	do.....	1,000
Hale house (chief gardener's quarters).....	1	1904	do.....	2,000
Nurses' quarters.....	1	1905, 1921	do.....	118,000
Chapel.....	1	1905	do.....	34,000
Memorial hall.....	1	1905	do.....	66,000
Toilets (2).....	2	1906	do.....	500
Sentry box (street railway gate, rebuilt 1924).....	1	1905, 1924	General and post.....	345
Dairy barn.....	1	1905, 1906, 1909	General.....	14,000
Sewage-disposal plant.....	1	1903, 1905	do.....	20,000
Band stand (rebuilt, 1923).....	1	1905, 1923	do.....	1,900
Oil house.....	1	1905, 1924	do.....	700
Old office building of superintendent of construction (chief engineer's quarters).....	1	1905	do.....	1,200
Coal shed.....	1	1905	do.....	3,900
Wagon and implement shed, blacksmith, etc.....	1	1907	General and post.....	3,900
Assistant surgeon's quarters.....	1	1907, 1912	General.....	2,500
Repair shop.....	1	1909	do.....	5,000
Lumber shed.....	1	1909	do.....	250
Surgeon's quarters.....	1	1909	do.....	7,000
Chaplain's quarters.....	2	1907, 1909, 1912	do.....	10,000
Flagstaff.....	1	1909	do.....	1,225
Grand stand (baseball park).....	1	1910, 1912	General and post.....	700
Annex No. 1.....	1	1911, 1922, 1924	General.....	12,000
5 double sets officers' quarters.....	5	1921	do.....	60,000
Guinea-pig house.....	1	1924	do.....	300
Silos.....	2	1922, 1927	do.....	2,000
Total.....				2,062,903
Carnegie Library ¹	1	1904	.....	25,000
Amusement hall.....	1	1905, 1922	Post.....	10,000
Hotel and store building.....	1	1909	do.....	18,000
Lodge at cemetery.....	1	1921	do.....	500
Total.....				53,500
Grand total.....				2,116,403

¹ Donated by Andrew Carnegie.

Committee:

DAVID CAMPBELL, *Chairman.*
 J. S. GRAY, *Member.*
 W. F. DAVIS, *Member.*

FARM

The appropriation for farm includes expenditures in the upkeep of roads, cemeteries, lawns, parks, greenhouses, flower gardens, stables, dairies, feeds, purchase of all animals, and all supplies used and services required in connection with these places.

Stables.—Average number of public animals kept during the year: 1 horse, 4 mules. Appraised value, \$475. Number and kind of public vehicles in use: 1 G. M. C. truck; 2 White trucks; 1 Ford truck; 3 motor ambulances; 1 dump cart; 5 farm wagons; 1 manure spreader.

OPERATION OF DAIRY

Calves produced and added to the herd are accounted for under the heading "Herd"; calves sold, as such, are accounted for under the heading "Production." Feed raised and consumed, and milk transferred to subsistence or sold, are charged at market prices. No account is taken of pasturage on home grounds, this being offset by the manure.

Herd:

On hand June 30, 1927, 54 cows, 39 other cattle (value).....	\$6,017.40
On hand June 30, 1928, 58 cows, 42 other cattle (value).....	6,440.35

Increase.....422.95

Expended for stock added to herd....965.00

Received for stock sold out of herd....490.50

Expenditures more than receipts.....484.50

Net increase in investment.....61.55

Cost of maintenance:

Feeds purchased.....4,997.50

Feeds raised on farm and consumed...6,364.85

Veterinary and other expenses.....64.50

Cost of maintenance—Continued.

Services, employees.....\$4,570.66

Total cost.....15,997.51

Production:

55,283 gallons, at 31 cents per gallon

used in commissary and sold.....17,137.73

20 calves sold.....118.68

Total receipts.....17,256.31

Profit.....1,258.80

Summary:

Increase in investment.....61.55

Profit in operation.....1,258.80

Net profit.....1,197.25

In addition to the 55,283 gallons milk shown above, 6,124 gallons were used to feed 36 calves. The average daily yield per cow, figured on the average number of cows, was 2.95 gallons. The average daily yield per cow, figured on the average number of cattle kept, was 1.70 gallons; 57,495 gallons of milk were purchased during the year, at 30.53 cents per gallon. The cost of production of milk in commissary and sold was 28.9 cents per gallon.

FARM AND GARDEN

Two hundred and ninety-six acres were cultivated, as follows: Corn, 55 acres; hay, 68 acres; barley, 45 acres; vegetable garden, 10 acres; vineyard, 4 acres; pasture, 106 acres; soy beans, 8 acres.

Products and disposition

Articles	Used in commissary and sales	Consumed by farm	Total products
Milk and calves.....	\$17,256.31		\$17,256.31
Vegetables.....	890.26		890.26
Ensilage and straw.....		\$3,533.18	3,533.18
Barley.....		774.06	774.06
Hay.....		2,067.61	2,067.61
Flowers used at hospital.....		316.10	316.10
			24,827.52

Cost of operation

	Average number employees	Amount paid for services	Amount paid for supplies	Total
Nonproductive:				
Upkeep, roads, cemeteries, etc.....	10	\$5,814.79	\$1,576.93	\$7,391.72
Team, camp work.....	5	2,753.33	1,890.27	4,633.60
Productive:				
Farm proper and vegetable garden.....	10	6,083.60	1,590.24	7,673.84
Dairy.....	7	4,570.66	5,150.07	9,720.73

Total expenses of operating productive enterprises under this head, \$17,394.57; value of products, \$24,827.52; net profit, \$7,432.95.

HEATING, LIGHTING AND POWER PLANT, WATER AND GAS

The steam plant consists of 4 Worthington water-tube boilers, 295 horsepower each, installed in 1903; 2 B. & W. water-tube boilers, one 200 horsepower, installed in 1909, one 350 horsepower, installed in 1923. All boilers equipped with Detroit underfeed stokers and ash blower, 2 electric-driven draft fans, 2 boiler-feed pumps, one feed-water heater, and 2 auxiliary pumps.

The lighting system consists of three 100-kilowatt and one 50-kilowatt Western Electric Co. generators direct-connected to Buckeye Tandem compound non-condensing engines, installed in 1903; one electric distribution switchboard, one Westinghouse air pump.

The refrigeration and ice plant consists of 18 cold-storage rooms; two ice-storage rooms; one De La Vergne steam driven compressor, installed in 1903-1904; one 8 by 8 electric-driven York compressor, installed in 1925; one electric-driven refrigerating system at hospital, installed in 1927; one electric-driven refrigerating system, annex No. 1, installed in 1928; one 130-can of 100-pound capacity freezing tank, condensers, and cooling tank.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees:				
Steam plant.....	\$11,063.25	Oils, other than fuel.....	\$896.98	
Lighting plant.....	4,633.15	Repairs, including parts.....	3,370.07	
Refrigeration and ice plant.....	3,193.00	New units of machinery purchased, Lipman ice machine, annex No. 1.....	564.00	
	18,889.40	All other supplies.....	11,613.05	
Fuel.....	45,698.76	Total.....	81,032.26	

Fuel: 17,900 tons¹ bituminous coal were purchased at \$2.44 per ton. Year prior 17,573.8 tons were purchased at \$2.39 per ton.

Electric current: Electric current produced 1,240,170 kilowatt-hours; cost per kilowatt-hour \$0.0092; total cost of current, \$11,387.27.

Gas: Gas was used for cooking in diet kitchens and in laboratories; 116,700 cubic feet purchased at \$1.80 per 1,000 cubic feet; 65,800 cubic feet purchased at \$1.70 per 1,000 cubic feet. Year prior 111,300 cubic feet purchased at \$1.80 per 1,000 cubic feet; 47,500 cubic feet purchased at \$1.70 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Water: Daily average consumption of water was 411,410 gallons; purchased 150,576,000 gallons at \$0.050721 per 1,000 gallons. Prior year purchased 126,195,000 gallons at \$0.050862 per 1,000 gallons.

Ice: Capacity of ice plant daily, 25 tons refrigeration and 6 tons ice; 825 tons produced at a cost of \$1.12 per ton; 7,085 tons refrigeration at a cost of \$0.736 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY-CLEANING PLANT

Laundry machinery and equipment consists of 1 large steam mangle, 2 pressing machines, 3 hand irons, 5 washing machines, 1 drying tumbler, 1 steam dryer, 3 extractors, 2 motors, 1 soap-boiling tank, and 1 large steam sterilizer.

Dry-cleaning equipment consists of 1 clothes press, 1 drying tumbler, 2 washing machines, 1 gasoline still, 1 gasoline pump, 1 motor, 5 gasoline storage tanks, and 1 automatic fire extinguisher.

Cost of operation

	Employees		Amount for services	Supplies	Parts	Total
	Male	Female				
Laundry.....	6	8	\$8,041.00	\$2,468.69	\$717.40	\$11,227.09
Dry-cleaning plant.....	2		1,105.00	580.00		1,685.00
Total.....	8	8	9,146.00	3,048.69	717.40	12,912.09

Pieces laundered, 916,817; cost per piece, \$0.01225; cost per capita, \$7.92.

Pieces dry cleaned, 22,883; cost per piece, \$0.00736; cost per capita, \$1.65.

¹ 1,000 tons on hand at beginning fiscal year 1928.

Clothing

Articles	Issued for use	Condemned	In storehouses June 30, 1928		
			New	Release	Value
Coats:					
Dress	471	162	530	5	\$2,707.10
Great	4	10		245	1,276.90
Drawers:					
Heavy	216	199	405	2	231.90
Light	857	1,114	617	3	167.40
Hats, wool	386	226	356	3	510.30
Shirts, chambray	920	1,339	843	2	481.65
Shoes	654	343	135	1	327.76
Slippers	47	90	81		82.62
Socks, cotton	1,964	4,219	1,518	2	167.20
Suspenders	204	183	76	3	18.17
Trousers	1,068	222	790	5	2,321.40
Undershirts:					
Cotton	812	777	987	3	187.10
Wool	202	168	675	2	765.01
Vests	239	133	630	2	1,080.72

Value of clothing condemned, \$5,157.67; value of clothing received from general depot, \$12,101.47.

Employment

EMPLOYEES UNDER THE GENERAL FUND AND AMOUNT PAID DURING THE YEAR

	Officers	Members	Nonmembers	Total
Authorized number	27	59	411	497
Average daily employed	22	43	397	462
Total amount paid	\$62,275.88	\$13,628.05	\$301,804.26	\$387,708.19
PRIOR YEAR				
Authorized number	27	4	476	507
Average daily employed	21 7/12	3 8/12	402	427 3/12
Total amount paid	\$84,901.98	\$1,894.40	\$293,283.14	\$380,079.52

NONMEMBER EMPLOYEES

Average number of men	236	Mess steward	1
Women	161	Matron	1
Total	397	Messenger	1
Aides	7	Musician, chief	1
Bakers	2	Musicians	3 1/2
Blacksmith	1	Nurse, chief	1
Carpenters	4	Nurses, men	4 1/2
Clerks and executives	24	Nurses, women	38
Consultants	3	Automobile mechanic	1
Cooks	25	Operators, telephone	3
Drivers	2	Painters	3 1/2
Dairymen, head	1	Plasterer	1
Dental technicians	1 1/2	Plumbers	2
Dietitians	2	Printer	1
Dishwashers	9	Quartermaster sergeant	1
Druggist	1	Watchman	1
Electricians	3	Laundry foreman	1
Engineer, chief	1	Shoemaker	1
Engineers	4	Guards	3 1/2
Farmer, chief	1	Superintendent cemetery	1
Firemen	6	Steam fitters	2
Gardener, chief	1	Technician, X-ray	1
Hospital stewards	3	Tailors	2
Head waiters	3	Truck drivers	2
Janitors	6	Tinsmith	1
Laborers	103 1/2	Undertaker	1
Laundry employees	3	Upholsterer	1
Librarian	1	Waiters	44 1/2
Meat cutter	1	Ward attendants	45 1/2
		Total	397

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general camp and hospital. In addition to the general mess hall, Annex 1 and 2 barracks are equipped with a combination kitchen and dining room for aged and infirm members.

The mess-hall capacity of the branch at one sitting is as follows: General mess hall, 720; combination messes, 96; noncommissioned officers' and clerks' mess, 52; hospital general mess, 80; tubercular cottage mess, 60; nurses' mess, 80; total, 1,088.

Average number of persons served by waiter at each sitting in above messes is, respectively, 32, 16, 50, 20, 25, 17.

Average sittings daily, average number served daily, average number of employees and cost of rations

	Sittings	Number served	Dining room	Kitchen	June 30, 1927	June 30, 1928
General mess.....	6	628	20	18	\$0.4198	\$0.3528
Combination mess, Annex 2.....	6	180	6	8	.5438	.5123
Hospital general mess.....	6	275	7	12	.6289	.6047
Tubercular, Annex 1.....	3	75	3	3	.5802	.5811
Noncommissioned officers' and clerks' mess.....	3	50	1	2	.3139	.2750
Nurses' mess.....	3	67	5	5	.6122	.4941
Surgeons, mess (officers').....	3	3	1	1	.5004	.4445
Tubercular, general mess.....	3	137	20	18	-----	.5432

1 25 of this number served by tray.

1 125 of this number served by tray.

The average daily consumption, per man, on some of the food articles, was as follows: Bread, 9.64 ounces; meat and fish, 14.43 ounces; coffee and tea, 1.43 ounces; milk, 1.98 pints; cheese, 11 ounces; oleomargarine and butter, 1.63 ounces; sugar, 3.46 ounces; cereal, 0.82 ounces; vegetables, 19.87 ounces.

Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same, during the year

Article	Quantity	Total cost	Article	Quantity	Total cost
Bacon.....pounds..	29,411	\$5,567.62	Milk.....gallons..	112,374	\$34,247.63
Beef, dressed.....do..	163,223	25,955.85	Onions.....pounds..	23,365	880.26
Eggs.....dozen.....	77,208	28,775.42	Potatoes.....do.....	355,523	9,582.45
Fish, fresh.....pounds..	11,160	1,394.30	Sugar.....do.....	120,192	7,346.29
Ham.....do.....	26,449	7,225.08	Beans, navy.....do.....	5,597	382.89
Flour.....do.....	223,797	8,022.58	Beans, lima.....do.....	3,516	276.26
Cheese.....do.....	5,899	1,557.85	Rice.....do.....	5,772	292.98
Oil.....do.....	26,395	2,673.90	Apples, evaporated.....do..	1,779	237.55
Coffee.....do.....	87,079	8,984.82	Peaches, evaporated.....do..	1,826	179.29
Pork shoulders.....do..	12,449 1/2	1,981.84	Pork, salt.....do.....	4,400	631.00

Swill and garbage, annual contract, sold for \$432.

Bakery—Operation and average cost per pound of bread, etc., produced

	Pounds of flour and meal used	Pounds of bread, etc., produced	Cost per pound
Bread.....	187,050	252,459	\$0.0852
Cake.....	12,225	24,715	.0636
Pies.....	4,205	10,190	.1205
Total.....	203,480	287,364	-----

Average pounds of bread produced from 100 pounds of flour, 135.

Average number of employees, 3; amount paid employees, \$2,640; cost of fuel, \$765; total, \$3,405.

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 72 persons, and is open daily between the hours of 8 to 11.30 a. m. and 2 to 4.30 p. m. and 5 to 8 p. m. Seven newspapers and 41 periodicals were supplied; 160 volumes new books purchased during year. Total number of volumes, 11,306.

There are three persons employed in the library. Cost of services, \$1,727.60; 23,734 books were circulated or read.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 204 persons; five choristers were employed. Regular services were held twice a week; average attendance, 75; radio, 225; other services, once a week. The chaplain officiated at 29 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital 18 times per week.

Catholic.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 168 persons. Five choristers were employed. Regular services were held 7 times per week; average attendance 200 weekly. Other services 25 times per week. The chaplain officiated at 14 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital 7 times per week.

CEMETERY

There were 43 burials in the cemetery during the year. Total number buried there, 1,842. Total capacity of the cemetery, 8,167 graves.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 10½. Paid from general fund, \$8,407.33; paid from post fund, \$480; clothing, \$195.41; subsistence, \$1,890; total, \$10,972.74.

DAVID TOWNSEND, Governor.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT OF THE BATTLE MOUNTAIN SANTARIUM BRANCH, FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1928.

Branch established April, 1907, by act of Congress approved May 29, 1902. Located at Hot Springs, Fall River County, S. Dak. Post-office address is Hot Springs, S. Dak. The reservation comprises 101.36 acres; 70.36 acres are included in lawns, parks, cemetery, and 2 1/4 miles of roadway; 16 acres are used for farming purposes; and 15 acres of pasture. There are 23 buildings on the reservation: 2 hospital buildings of stone, maximum capacity of 544 patients, including administration, service, theater, chapels, plunge, laundry, storerooms, etc.; and 21 other buildings, including storehouses, power house, ice plant, etc., of which 1 is brick, 2 concrete, 2 stone, and 16 frame. Land acquired by donation, 67 acres; by purchase, 34.36 acres, cost, \$18,452.81; original cost of buildings, \$1,299,072.26; appraised value, \$1,270,408.

Utilities

Heating: Steam, 3 boilers, 250 horsepower; 1 boiler, 300 horsepower, using—		
1,042.2 tons coal, at \$3.84 per ton	\$399.94	
14,204.8 tons coal, at \$3.70 per ton	52,557.76	Total cost
		\$52,926.70
Gas: No gas used at this branch.		
Lighting: Electricity purchased, 90,069 kilowatt-hours, at \$0.84 per kilowatt-hour.		3,603.56
Water: Purchased, none; pumped approximately 500,000 gallons per day. No water or steam meters at this branch. Impossible to estimate cost of pumping.		
Ice: Made 364 tons, at \$5 (none purchased)		1,505.00
Laundry: 979,077 pieces laundered, at \$0.00474 per piece		4,643.49
Dry-cleaning plant: None at this branch.		

Comparative statement

	Fiscal year 1928	Fiscal year 1927
Average present, hospital patients	436	419
Maintenance cost per day, hospital patients		\$2.233
Cost food per day per person subsisted:		
Hospital general mess	\$0.450	\$0.471
Hospital tuberculosis mess	\$0.752	\$0.722
Average number subsisted:		
Hospital general mess	443	429
Hospital tuberculosis mess	82	62
Average present and absent	699	646
Whole number cared for	1,654	1,450
Per capita cost		\$816.14

FORMER OFFICERS FROM JUNE 30, 1919, TO JUNE 30, 1928

Governor and surgeon:

Col. James A. Mattison, August 1, 1911, to June 20, 1920.

Col. John L. Fryer, July 1, 1920, to January 1, 1923.

Col. James A. Barker, January 1, 1923, to January 11, 1928.

Treasurer:

Maj. William H. Stanley, August 16, 1907, to December 31, 1927.

Quartermaster and commissary of subsistence:

Capt. Oscar E. Harper, July 1, 1927, to December 31, 1927.

Chaplain:

Rev. Arza P. Janes, September 10, 1915, to May 16, 1928.

First assistant surgeon:

Capt. Martin F. Maguire, November 1, 1919, to July 5, 1925.

Capt. Alfred J. Klint, July 5, 1925, to November 10, 1925.

Capt. Marcus A. Newell, November 11, 1925, to November 5, 1926.

Capt. Jesse W. Willcox, November 6, 1926, to November 17, 1927.

Return for the year ending June 30, 1928

PRESENT	
For duty:	
Governor and surgeon.....	1
Treasurer.....	1
Quartermaster and commissary of sub-	
sistence.....	1
Assistant surgeons.....	6
Total.....	9
Hospital stewards.....	2
Guard sergeant.....	1
Total.....	3
On extra duty: Members.....	75
Sick in hospital: Members.....	128
Sick in quarters: Members.....	160
Total present:	
Commissioned officers.....	9
Noncommissioned officers.....	3
Members.....	363
Aggregate:	
This return.....	1 366
Last return.....	1 423
ABSENT	
With leave:	
Commissioned officers.....	1
Members.....	306
Without leave: Members.....	14
Total absent:	
Commissioned officers.....	1
Members.....	320
Aggregate:	
This return.....	1 320
Last return.....	1 283
PRESENT AND ABSENT	
Commissioned officers.....	10
Noncommissioned officers.....	3
Members.....	683
Aggregate:	
This return.....	1 686
Last return.....	1 706
GAIN	
Appointment (officers).....	7
Transfer (officers).....	1
Admission, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	24
Admission, other service.....	532
Readmission.....	346
Transfer.....	46
Total.....	1 948
LOSS	
Resignation (officers).....	4
Transfer (officers).....	4
Transfer.....	42
Discharge.....	626

1 Commissioned officers not included.

Dropped.....	109
Dropped from roll.....	37
Death, Mexican or Civil Wars.....	27
Death, other service.....	37
Total.....	1 908

MISCELLANEOUS	
Changes:	
From present to absent.....	1,222
From absent to present.....	1,185
Total.....	2,407

Total beds:	
General.....	387
Vacant.....	75
Total beds of hospital for patients:	
Tuberculosis.....	157
Vacant.....	107
Members present and absent June 30, 1928,	
having service other than Mexican or Civil	
Wars.....	586
Colored members present and absent June 30,	
1928.....	

AVERAGES	
Average present.....	436
Average present and absent.....	699
Whole number cared for.....	1,654
Average temporarily at post.....	35
Average number of member employees.....	91

AVERAGE NUMBER SUBSISTED	
Members.....	1 436
Civilian employees.....	105
Total.....	541

WHAT WAR	
Civil.....	184
Spanish-American.....	469
World War.....	1,001
Total.....	1,654

WHAT SERVICE	
Army.....	1,558
Navy.....	69
Marine.....	27
Total.....	1,654

OFFENSES	
Minor:	
Absence without leave.....	1
Drunkenness.....	8
Violation of rules.....	1
Total.....	10

Ages

Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number	Ages	Number
21.....		40.....	49	59.....	15	78.....	9
22.....	6	41.....	40	60.....	18	79.....	9
23.....	13	42.....	20	61.....	16	80.....	9
24.....	7	43.....	12	62.....	18	81.....	21
25.....	14	44.....	17	63.....	16	82.....	23
26.....	17	45.....	22	64.....	11	83.....	16
27.....	16	46.....	9	65.....	15	84.....	18
28.....	37	47.....	16	66.....	3	85.....	12
29.....	41	48.....	23	67.....	14	86.....	12
30.....	43	49.....	31	68.....	7	87.....	8
31.....	46	50.....	28	69.....	7	88.....	8
32.....	75	51.....	46	70.....	7	89.....	2
33.....	93	52.....	35	71.....	5	90.....	2
34.....	79	53.....	32	72.....	2	91.....	1
35.....	78	54.....	31	73.....	6	92.....	1
36.....	66	55.....	26	74.....	6	93.....	1
37.....	64	56.....	26	75.....	6	94.....	1
38.....	56	57.....	26	76.....	4	Total..	1,654
39.....	49	58.....	25	77.....	2		

Average age members cared for:

Civil War.....	80.24
Spanish-American War.....	55.88
World War.....	35.59

Average age members deceased:

Civil War.....	81.00
Spanish-American War.....	56.36
World War.....	35.39

Average number present and absent, etc., and gain and loss, from date of organization to June 30, 1919

Date	Averages					Whole number cared for	Gain					Loss										
	Sick	Absent with leave	Absence without leave	Present	Present and absent		Officers		Admission	Readmission	Transfer	Total	Officers			Transfer	Discharge	Dishonorable discharge	Dropped	Dropped from rolls	Death	Total
							Appoint-ment	Transfer					Resignation	Transfer	Dropped							
June 30—																						
1907	28	1	1	36	37	147	3		61	4	79	147				11			1	2	414	
1908	93	27	3	138	168	536	1	1	275	48	78	403			57	224	1		14	24	321	
1909	186	68	6	236	310	865	4	1	330	96	219	650	2		99	331	5		34	35	507	
1910	211	107	5	267	379	980	2		378	137	105	622	2		122	361	2		67	37	591	
1911	216	111	3	271	385	969	2		308	160	110	580	2		73	427	2		40	46	590	
1912	292	103	3	352	458	974	2	2	323	159	109	595	2	1	95	415	3		34	42	592	
1913	246	119	4	307	430	945	1	2	277	193	90	563	1	2	64	380			51	39	537	
1914	267	119	2	326	447	1,076	1	3	361	204	99	668	1	4	72	494			36	49	656	
1915	277	125	3	341	469	1,032	3		279	238	92	612	1	2	85	432			29	45	594	
1916	295	140	3	398	509	1,139	1	2	335	261	102	701	3		100	444			39	55	632	
1917	295	174	3	395	542	1,094		1	267	245	71	587		1	87	391				71	550	
1918	266	204	2	359	565	982	1	2	199	191	45	438		3	52	320			6	74	455	
1919	237	220	2	301	523	926			199	145	55	399			48	180			26	67	321	
1920	235	285	10	305	600	1,091		1	282	134	76	493	2		136	254			29	66	487	
1921	263	334	10	334	678	1,071	2	1	247	135	83	468		1	64	259			23	43	390	
1922	297	354	17	374	745	1,196	2	1	292	132	90	514		2	82	260			55	58	455	
1923	271	337	9	351	697	1,226	1		270	151	64	485	1	1	69	347			54	53	522	
1924	307	271	10	395	676	1,308			266	155	84	505			60	393			48	37	538	
1925	327	250	16	399	665	1,154		1	263	155	66	484	1		61	366			30	43	509	
1926	300	217	8	385	610	1,191	3	1	297	204	36	537	2	2	51	365		107	52	44	619	
1927	323	214	12	419	646	1,450	2	2	530	314	34	878	1		38	478		149	34	45	744	
1928	345	253	10	436	699	1,654	7	1	556	346	46	948	4	4	42	626		199	37	64	968	
Total							38	22	6,595	3,810	1,833	12,238	25	23	2	1,557	7,758	13	455	730	1,039	11,552

Whole number cared for from date of organization to June 30, 1928, 12,238.

General fund, appropriation fiscal year 1928

	Current expenses	Subsistence	Household	Hospital	Transportation	Repairs	Farm	Total branch	Clothing	Total
CASH STATEMENT										
From general treasurer.....	\$44,700.00	\$116,000.00	\$81,000.00	\$117,000.00	\$500.00	\$25,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$390,200.00	\$1,000.00	\$391,200.00
Collections.....	48.05	8,055.51	1,189.26	288.11	-----	153.50	2,229.41	11,963.84	764.76	12,728.00
Total.....	44,748.05	124,055.51	82,189.26	117,288.11	500.00	25,153.50	8,229.41	402,163.84	1,764.76	403,928.60
Disbursed.....	43,606.46	120,386.67	79,265.83	117,080.39	348.38	24,982.00	7,475.97	393,145.70	1,716.33	394,862.03
Returned to general treasurer.....	1,141.59	3,668.84	2,923.43	207.72	151.62	171.50	753.44	9,018.14	48.43	9,066.57
COST OF OPERATION										
Paid by treasurer.....	43,606.46	120,386.67	79,265.83	117,080.39	348.38	24,982.00	7,475.97	393,145.70	1,716.33	394,862.03
General Accounting Office settlements.....	31.01	-----	-----	23.75	142.39	-----	-----	197.15	-----	197.15
Outstanding liabilities.....	17.26	-----	377.46	-----	-----	-----	-----	394.72	-----	394.72
Aggregate.....	43,654.73	120,386.67	79,643.29	117,104.14	490.77	24,982.00	7,475.97	393,737.57	1,716.33	395,453.90
Less collections.....	48.05	8,055.51	1,189.26	288.11	-----	153.50	2,229.41	11,963.84	764.76	12,728.00
Net cost.....	43,606.68	112,331.16	78,454.03	116,816.03	490.77	24,828.50	5,246.56	381,773.73	951.57	382,725.30
AVERAGE COST PER CAPITA										
Personal services.....	94.39	9.09	21.13	235.55	-----	30.91	8.67	399.74	2.48	402.22
Supplies.....	3.39	239.96	154.72	28.60	1.13	23.35	3.24	454.39	.29	454.30
Equipment.....	2.24	8.59	4.09	3.77	-----	2.69	.12	21.50	-----	21.50
Total.....	100.02	257.64	179.94	267.92	1.13	56.95	12.03	875.63	2.19	877.82

Average cost of ration: Services, \$0.02; supplies, \$0.57; total, \$0.59.

NOTE.—Average cost per capita based on net expenditures and including temporarily at post members in the average present. Average cost per ration obtained by adding value of farm products transferred to subsistence to the expenditure under subsistence for service and supplies (less collections), figured on the average subsisted, including members temporarily at post members and civilians.

Pension fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$3,935.27	Canceled vouchers.....	\$220.00
Received from Bureau of Pensions.....	181,968.02	Returned to Treasurer of United States.....	122.00
Canceled checks.....	220.00	Disbursed during the year:	
Collections.....	172.00	To pensioners.....	\$179,966.29
		To families.....	160.00
			180,126.29
		Transferred to treasurer Western Branch.....	70.00
		Transferred to post fund.....	2,353.67
		Balance.....	3,408.33
Total.....	186,295.29	Total.....	186,295.29

Of the above balance \$2,341.33 is standing to the credit of deceased members.

THE RATE AND NUMBER OF PENSIONERS

Rate per month	Number June 30, 1927	Gain—		Total	Loss—		Number June 30, 1928
		By admission, re-admission, transfer, etc.	By change of rate		By discharge, dropped, death, etc.	By change of rate, etc.	
\$6.00	2	2	—	4	1	1	2
8.00	1	—	—	1	1	—	0
12.00	5	3	1	9	4	2	3
15.00	0	1	—	1	—	—	1
17.00	2	1	—	3	2	—	1
20.00	18	14	—	32	6	17	9
24.00	5	5	1	11	3	1	7
25.00	18	19	4	41	12	10	19
30.00	57	53	13	123	38	30	55
37.50	1	—	—	1	1	—	0
40.00	67	77	25	169	56	17	96
50.00	123	160	40	323	129	8	186
60.00	1	—	—	1	1	—	0
72.00	43	25	2	70	31	—	39
	343	360	86	789	285	86	418

Actual number of pensioners cared for (from total deduct the number gained by change of rate), 703.

Post fund

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Balance brought forward.....	\$1,239.75	Transferred to general post fund.....	\$5,002.56
Store: Sales, etc.....	1,200.00	Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	6,981.63
Amusements, entertainments, etc.....	699.86	Miscellaneous.....	2,736.12
Miscellaneous.....	1.65	Posthumous fund, act of June 25, 1910....	3,225.01
Posthumous pension fund.....	2,353.67	Transferred to V. B. Kincaid.....	5,299.21
Posthumous fund, act June 25, 1910.....	2,804.12	Balance.....	1,153.78
Transferred from general post fund.....	10,800.00		
Transferred from Wm. H. Stanley.....	5,299.21		
Total.....	24,398.26	Total.....	24,398.26

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RESOURCES

Year ending June 30, 1928	Amount	Year ending June 30, 1927	Amount
Cash.....	\$1,153.78	Cash.....	\$1,239.75
Store fixtures.....	264.34	Store fixtures.....	264.34
Amusement fixtures.....	15,157.15	Amusement fixtures.....	14,775.11
Miscellaneous.....	3,771.41	Miscellaneous.....	2,834.91
Total.....	20,346.68	Total.....	19,114.11
Liabilities.....	855.57	Liabilities.....	293.06

EMPLOYEES PAID FROM POST FUND

Where employed	Male	Female	Amount paid
Wheel chair attendant.....	1	-----	\$411.79
Porter, amusement hall.....	1	-----	480.00
Radio operator.....	1	-----	480.00
Librarian.....	1	-----	480.00
Janitor.....	1	-----	384.00
Choir.....	2	2	720.00
Motion-picture machine operator.....	1	-----	364.50
Laborer.....	1	-----	165.33
Total.....	9	2	3,485.62

AMUSEMENTS

Members are admitted to all entertainments, and have the privileges of the clubhouses, games, and library free of charge.

There were given 332 band concerts, 160 motion-picture shows, 7 baseball games, and 1 theatrical performance.

Under this head there was expended for:

163 motion-picture shows.....	\$1,878.10
7 baseball games.....	240.00
1 theatrical entertainment.....	50.00
Books, etc., and clubroom equipment.....	579.11
For services, members of the band and other employees authorized.....	3,485.62
Miscellaneous.....	2,907.75
Total.....	9,040.58

The expenditures from post fund for amusements and welfare of members amounted to \$9,040.58, a per capita of \$20.7353, figured on the average present.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

The hospital is divided into 12 wards, and has a capacity for 387; 90 patients, and quarters for convalescents provide for 297, and tubercular cottage for 157 patients. Total capacity, 544.

There are 8 assistant surgeons, 16 female trained nurses, and 37 male ward attendants. On June 30 there were 128 patients in hospital, and 160 sick in quarters. There were 75 general vacant beds in hospital on that date, and 107 tuberculosis vacant beds.

Average present sick, number treated, number of deaths, etc., for the year ending June 30, 1928, and for the prior fiscal year, were as follows:

	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Average present sick in hospital.....	162	130
Average present sick in quarters.....	193	168
Total average sick.....	345	328
Percentage of average present sick to average present.....	79.13	77.09
Number treated in hospital.....	1,554	1,363
Died in the home.....	62	40
Died while absent from the home.....	2	5
Total deaths.....	64	45
Ratio of deaths per 1,000 for whole number cared for.....	38.69	31.08
Average age at death.....	59.22	61.69
Number of insane cared for.....	7	16
Number of blind cared for.....	3	4
Number of insane present June 30.....	0	7
Number of blind present June 30.....	3	2
Number of tubercular patients treated.....	189	205
Number of tubercular patients June 30 (present).....	47	71

Cancer, 3; suicide by firearms, 1; suicide by hanging, 1; osteo-arthritis, chronic diffuse, 1; died absent from the home, 2; total, 64.

Causes of death during the year, and number of deaths from each cause:

Diabetes mellitus.....	1
Erysipelas.....	1
Syphilis.....	1
Tuberculosis.....	16
Cholelithiasis.....	1
Pancreatitis, acute.....	1
Angina pectoris.....	1
Arteriosclerosis.....	11
Acute cardiac dilatation.....	2
Myocarditis, chronic.....	6
Endocarditis, chronic.....	1
Mitral insufficiency.....	1
Asthma.....	1
Bronchitis, chronic.....	1
Pulmonary hemorrhage following influenza.....	1
Pneumonia, broncho.....	3
Pneumonia, lobar.....	1
Cholecystitis.....	1
Nephritis, acute interstitial.....	1
Cerebral hemorrhage.....	2
Cerebella tumor.....	1
Spinal sclerosis.....	1

Number of operations performed during the year:

Major.....	246
Minor.....	205
Total.....	451
Average number of hospital employees:	
Male.....	77
Female.....	49
Total.....	126
Amount expended from appropriation for hospital during the year:	
Services.....	\$102,681.79
Drugs and medicines.....	7,078.44
Wines, liquors, alcohol and beer.....	147.09
All other supplies and appliances.....	7,137.11
Total.....	117,052.43

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT—BUILDINGS

During the year no new buildings were constructed at this branch.

Major repairs and improvements made during the year were as follows:

Grading, improvements of grounds, new road to back gate, retaining wall on main driveway, approximate cost, \$750.

Painting, varnishing, plastering, and numerous other minor repairs for upkeep of buildings in main group and for quarters.

Total, \$750.

FARM

The appropriation for farm includes expenditures in the upkeep of roads, cemeteries, lawns, parks, greenhouses, flower gardens, stables, dairies, feeds, purchase of all animals, and all supplies used and services required in connection with these places.

Stable.—Average number of public animals kept during the year: 2 horses; appraised value, \$200.

Number and kind of public vehicles in use: 2 motor ambulances and 2 motor trucks.

There is no dairy at this branch; 42,658 gallons of milk were purchased during the year, at \$0.349 per gallon.

FARM AND GARDEN

Sixteen acres were cultivated, as follows: 10 acres orchard and garden, leased; 6 acres of alfalfa. Alfalfa hay, consumed by farm, \$120.

Cost of operation

Nonproductive	Average number employ-ees	Amount paid for services	Amount paid for supplies	Total
Upkeep, roads, cemeteries, etc.....	6½	\$3,272.66	\$347.17	\$3,619.83
Team, camp work.....	1	490.00	392.80	872.80
Total.....	7½	3,752.66	739.97	4,492.63

Orchard and garden are leased. Proceeds of sales, \$2,093.44, and cost of gasoline issued to officers, \$455.20, deducted from cost of operation.

HEATING, LIGHTING, AND POWER PLANT, WATER, AND GAS

The steam plant consists of three water-tube boilers, B. & W. type; one hundred and twenty-six 4½-inch tubes, 18 feet long; two 36-inch steam drums to each boiler; 2,500 square feet of heating surface, 250 horsepower for each boiler, installed in 1906-07; and one 300 horsepower boiler, Casey-Hedges type, one hundred and forty 4-inch tubes, 18 feet long; one 48-inch drum; 3,000 feet of heating surface, installed in 1926-27. Also two steam pumps, 14 by 8 by 12 inches; one steam water-fed pump 12 by 7 by 12 inches; one steam creek pump, 12 by 7 by 12 inches; one steam pump, 8 by 5 by 12 inches and one feed water heater, 600 horsepower.

The lighting system consists of switchboards and wiring, and cluster lights for grounds and stairway. Alternating current is used for the lighting system throughout all the buildings and direct current is used for the power system. Current is furnished by the Central West Public Service Co. on yearly contract. Transformers are furnished and maintained by the contractor.

The refrigeration plant consists of one electric and steam operated 11-ton, high-speed compressor of the Baker ice machine type, with all necessary condensing coils, gauges, etc.; two electric-driven brine pumps, one brine tank of 72 cans, each of 100-pound capacity, with coils, etc.; two coolers—one 14 feet 6 inches by 13 feet 8 inches and one 16 feet 6 inches by 9 feet 3 inches, 9-foot ceilings; one ice-storage room 10 by 13 by 9 feet. This equipment is housed in a one-story stone building 38 by 44 feet. There are five cold-storage rooms in the new hospital annex No. 1—one 16 feet 4 inches by 7 by 9 feet, one 9 by 7 by 9 feet, one 7 feet 9 inches by 6 feet 6 inches by 9 feet and two 4 by 4 by 9 feet. There are also two cold-storage rooms in the service building of the main group, each 10 by 12 by 9 feet.

Total cost of maintenance and operation for the year:

Employees:	
Steam plant.....	\$7,220.00
Refrigeration and ice plant.....	480.00
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	\$7,700.00
Fuel.....	52,556.28
Oils, other than fuel.....	105.60
Repairs, including parts.....	2,700.00
All other supplies.....	21.73
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Total.....	63,083.61

Fuel: 13,127.15 tons coal (lignite screenings) were purchased at \$3.70 per ton. Year prior, 12,461.72 tons were purchased at \$3.54 per ton; 586.85 tons coal (lignite egg) purchased at \$6.15 per ton.

Electric current: Electric current purchased, 237,089 kilowatt hours (147,000 power, 90,089 lights); cost per kilowatt hour, \$0.04. Total cost of current, \$9,483.56.

Gas: No gas used.

Water: Daily average consumption of water was approximately 500,000 gallons, all pumped by the home. No meters are used at this branch.

Ice: Capacity of ice plant, 5½ tons refrigeration and 5½ tons ice; 301 tons produced at a cost of \$5 per ton.

LAUNDRY AND DRY-CLEANING PLANT

The laundry machinery and equipment consists of 2 washers, direct motor driven; 1 washer, belt motor driven; 3 extractors, direct motor driven; 1 mangle, direct motor driven; 1 dry tumbler, belt motor driven; 2 steam presses, foot power; 2 steam presses, direct motor power; 1-bedding sterilizer; 3 ironing boards with electric irons; 3 electric fans.

There is no dry-cleaning plant at this branch.

Cost of operation

Employees: Laundry—male, 1; female, 4. Amount for services, \$3,000; supplies, \$1,590.68; parts, \$50; total, \$4,640.68.

Pieces laundered, 979,077; cost per piece, \$0.00474; cost per capita, \$10.64; 1,929 pieces were cleaned and pressed at this branch.

Clothing

Articles	Issued for use	Condemned	In storehouses June 30, 1928		
			New	Released	Value
Blouses.....	5	5		15	\$19.50
Coats:					
Dress.....	223	60	169	311	2,428.80
Great.....	7	16		9	105.00
Drawers:					
Heavy.....	148	150	250	127	214.59
Light.....	238	600	282	117	107.73
Hats, wool.....	135	125	212	63	467.50
Shirts:					
Chambray.....	370	400	231	155	220.02
Cotton.....	84	50	91		54.00
Shoes.....	149	295	215	120	807.35
Slippers.....	87	40	90	84	233.16
Socks, cotton.....	533	2,180	840		92.40
Suspenders.....	96	135	95	20	25.00
Trousers.....	349	230	559	610	2,922.50
Undershirts:					
Cotton.....	244	60	280	73	91.70
Wool.....	146	150	190	135	367.25
Vests.....	158	90	135	212	596.37

Value clothing condemned, \$3,855.63; value clothing received from general depot, \$5,895.65.

Employment

EMPLOYEES UNDER THE GENERAL FUND AND AMOUNT PAID DURING THE YEAR

	Officers	Members	Nonmembers	Total
Authorized number.....	12			
Average daily employed.....	10	68	120	198
Total amount paid.....	\$27,916.87	\$36,855.21	\$110,565.58	\$175,337.66
PRIOR YEAR				
Authorized number.....	11			
Average daily employed.....	10	95	105	200
Total amount paid.....	\$29,185.01	\$30,334.84	\$91,004.52	\$150,524.37

NONMEMBER EMPLOYEES

Average number of men.....	64	Head waiter.....	1
Average number of women.....	49	Laborers.....	16
Total.....	113	Laundry foreman.....	1
Baker.....	1	Machinist.....	1
Aide, occupational therapy.....	1	Consulting surgeons.....	3
Aides, physiotherapy.....	2	Musicians.....	10
Bugler.....	1	Nurse, chief.....	1
Builder and carpenter.....	1	Nurse, assistant chief.....	1
Chaplain.....	1	Nurses, women.....	15
Clerks.....	10	Painter.....	1
Cooks.....	7	Plumbers.....	2
Driver.....	1	Printer.....	1
Dietitian.....	1	Quartermaster sergeant.....	1
Druggist.....	1	Seamstress.....	1
Electrician.....	1	Steamfitter.....	1
Engineer, chief.....	1	Technician, laboratory.....	1
Engineer.....	1	Technician, X ray.....	1
Firemen.....	3	Walters.....	18
Gardener, chief.....	1	Ward attendants.....	3
		Total.....	113

SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT

Separate messing facilities are provided for the general camp and hospital. In addition to the general mess hall, barracks are equipped with a combination kitchen and dining room for aged and infirm members.

The mess hall capacity of the branch at one sitting is as follows: Noncommissioned officers and clerk's mess, 30; hospital general mess, 240; tubercular cottage mess, 100; nurses' mess, 26; total, 396.

Average number of persons served by waiter at each sitting in above messes is, respectively, 30, 24, 31, 20.

Average sittings daily, average number served daily, average number of employees, and cost of rations

	Sittings	Number served	Dining room	Kitchen	June 30, 1928	June 30, 1927
Hospital general mess.....	3	443	15	8	\$0.4505	\$0.471
Tubercular cottage mess.....	3	82	3	5	.7520	.722
Nurses' mess.....	3	20	1	1	.4184	.4156

The average daily consumption, per man, on some of the food articles, was as follows: Bread, 5.729 ounces; meat and fish, 15.469 ounces; coffee and tea, 1.357 ounces; milk, 1.707 pints; cheese, 0.03240 ounces; oleo, 1.544 ounces; sugar, 3.766 ounces; cereal, 1.249 ounces; vegetables, 23.180 ounces.

Principal articles of food consumed, quantities of each, and the total cost of same, during the year

	Quantity	Total cost		Quantity	Total cost
Bacon.....pounds.....	14,973	\$3,696.85	Milk.....gallons.....	42,668	\$14,886.56
Beef, dressed.....do.....	64,363	12,551.73	Onions.....pounds.....	8,712	375.83
Eggs.....dozen.....	29,890	7,431.02	Potatoes.....do.....	179,096	3,727.37
Fish, fresh.....pounds.....	4,510	932.20	Sugar.....do.....	47,035	3,173.90
Ham.....do.....	15,851	3,431.73	Beans, navy.....do.....	4,569	268.20
Flour.....do.....	76,190	2,514.19	Beans, lima.....do.....	2,171	181.38
Cheese.....do.....	4,048	1,100.91	Rice.....do.....	3,535	208.14
Oleomargarine.....do.....	13,040	1,713.38	Apples, evaporated.....do.....	2,115	256.81
Coffee.....do.....	15,896	4,325.45	Peaches, evaporated.....do.....	2,486	286.91
Pork shoulders.....do.....	2,813	401.48	Pork, salt.....do.....	3,402	574.29

Swill and garbage, 185,000 pounds, sold for \$150.

BAKERY

Operation and average cost per pound of bread, etc., produced

	Pounds of flour and meal used	Pounds of bread, etc., produced	Cost per pound
Bread.....	61,169	83,251	\$0.09066
Cake.....	3,863	26,984	.05537
Pie.....	1,680	5,973	.1753
Total.....	71,712	116,308	\$5.365.20

¹ Cost per pie.

² Total cost of bread, cake, and pie.

Average pounds of bread produced from 100 pounds of flour, 138.

Average number of employees, 1; amount paid employees, \$1,200; cost of fuel, \$112; total, \$1,312.

LIBRARY

Reading room has a capacity of 25 persons, and is open daily between the hours of 8 a. m. and 4.15 p. m. Seven newspapers and 47 periodicals were supplied; 199 number volumes new books purchased during year. Total number of volumes, 5,129.

There is one person employed in the library. Cost of services, \$480; 9,567 books were circulated or read.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Protestant.—The chaplain is a commissioned officer, is furnished quarters, and resides at the branch. The chapel has a seating capacity of 500 persons. Four choristers were employed. Regular services were held three times per week. Average attendance, 70. Other services, none. The chaplain officiated at 26 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital daily.

Catholic.—The chaplain is a civilian. The chapel has a seating capacity of 80 persons. No choristers were employed. Regular services were held once each week. Average attendance, 60. Other services: Holy mass and every holy day of obligation. The chaplain officiated at 12 funerals, and regularly visited the hospital two times per week.

CEMETERY

There were 38 burials in the cemetery during the year. Total number buried there, 579. Total capacity of the cemetery is about 4,000 graves.

BAND

Average number of men in band during the year, 10. Paid from general fund, \$8,592; clothing, \$258.45; subsistence, \$1,657.84; total, \$10,508.29.

GENERAL

There is a gradual tendency toward an increasing load in population at this branch. The surgical department is growing rapidly, and it is anticipated that the coming year will be an extremely busy one. Arrangements have been made to utilize vacant beds in the tuberculosis annex for the coming winter. This should materially ease the situation for a time at least.

The death rate for past year has been well within normal limits. There have been no epidemics of contagious or infectious diseases.

Due to the ideal location of this branch, sanitary conditions are good, and this standard easily maintained. Flies and mosquitoes are not a problem in this climate.

Word has been received from the central office, United States Veterans' Bureau, that after a few minor changes have been made, the water-softening plant will be accepted. This will insure good-soft water for future use.

E. R. LINDNER,
Governor and Surgeon.

