

## DRAFT ONLY—FOR COMMENT

### **Collection Title: Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Department of California & Pacific, General William Starke Rosecrans Camp Number 2**

**Description:** This collection includes a variety of items including 1) The Historians Book binder, 2) copies of the “The Banner,” the National Organization’s journal as well as 3) a few copies of the bi-monthly local Camp newsletters entitled “The Rosecrans Report,” which was selected for the “John G. Nicolay Best Camp Newsletter Award” in 2000 due to its use of color and overall professionalism.

**Background:** The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is a patriotic and educational organization, similar to the Grand Army of the Republic. It was founded on November 12, 1881 and incorporated by Act of Congress August 20, 1954.

The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War is the legal heir to and representative of the Grand Army of the Republic. The Gen. W. S. Rosecrans Camp No. 2 of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was named after an original Sons’ Camp which was organized March 3, 1898, and which in turn was named for [General William Starke Rosecrans \(1819-1898\)](#). **When the camp became inactive is unclear.**

The current Camp was organized and reactivated on August 21, 1999 under Camp Commander Linn P. Hoadley and in 2021, Ken Walker is the only current Camp member to have signed the charter. The Rosecrans camp co-hosted the [131<sup>st</sup> Annual Encampment 10-12 August 2012](#).

Much of the Camp’s property and archives, such as a Family Bible. Given by the Rosecrans Family and rebound by Kater-Crafts Bookbinders, had been in storage at Patriot Hall but returned to the Camp by PDC Glen Roosevelt in March 2007 and in January 2012 given to Phil Gaines. The Camp Commander has the Bible, Camp gavel, the alter cloth, and some small banners. Nick Smith is in possession of a wooden box for voting on prospective members using white and black balls. **The Camp Drum is unlocated? No other known property in early 2021.**

The extant archives were transferred by Camp Commander Dean Smith to Camp Historian, Dr. John Richardson on 11 February 2021.

**Extent:** 1.5 Linear Feet; 1 Hollinger box including five (n=5) scrapbooks.

**Restrictions:** Permission to publish, quote, or reproduce must be secured from the Camp Commander and the copyright holder.

**Availability:** Advance notice to the Camp Historian required for access.

### **Camp Archives Finding Aid:**

#### **Box 1, Binder 1:**

Historians Book—“A collection of historical, biographical and photographic artifacts of the activities and program of the camp and its members” with 41 inserts from 1999-2000 including a membership roster and photographs.

#### **Box 1, Binder 2:**

29 Photographic inserts (n=29) with photographs from the year 2000.

#### **Box 1, Binder 3:**

“Rosecrans Report,” Camp Newsletters

Volume 1999, no. 1 (21 August)

Volume 1999, no. 2 (22 October)

Volume 2000, no. 1 (28 January)

Volume 2000, no. 2 (April)

Volume 2000, no. 3 (4 July)

Volume 2000, no. 4 (August/September/October)

Volume 2001, no. 1 (January-February)

Volume 2001, no. 2 (March-April)

Volume 2001, no. 3 (May-July)

[Volume 2001, no. 4, missing?]

Volume 2001, no. 5 (November-December to January 2002)

Volume 2003, no. 1 (15 February)

Volume 2003, no. 2 (1 May)

**Box 1, Binder 4:**

Part 1: "Union Civil War Veteran Burials in Pomona Cemetery (Pomona Valley Memorial Park)" [FAG Cemetery ID #[8286](#)].

Part 2: "Bellevue Memorial Park, Ontario Cemetery Association" in Ontario, San Bernardino County, California [FAG Cemetery ID #[213736](#)].

**Box 1, Binder 5:**

Finding Aid for "The Papers of General William Stark Rosecrans [1819-1898]: A Guide to [UCLA] Special Collection Number 663 (Processed by James V. Mink, 1961). Later issued as UCLA Library Occasional Papers, No. 12. See Online Archive of California at <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/tf2d5nb1bp/>. See also, David G. Moore's *William S. Rosecrans and the Union Victory: A Civil War Biography* (McFarland & Company, 2014).

**Box 1, Folder 1:**

Items related to the Burial of General William Starke Rosecrans (1898); see FAG #[2726](#).

**Box 1, Folder 2:**

General items related to the SUVCW (membership recruitment), Honor Their Memory, and Gary A. Dickey's "Researching Your Civil War Ancestors" and six SUVCW automobile bumper stickers.

**Box 1, Folder 3:**

"Odes and Songs" Form 18 and four Departmental Orders (1950, no.1; 1951, no. 3-4; no. 1951; and no. 3, series no. 349).

**Box 1, Folder 4:**

Two items: 1) a 2011-2015 Commemorative Coin celebrating 150 Years Sesquicentennial and 2) a SUVCW wooden nickel from Department of California and Pacific.

**Box 1, Folder 5:**

Stephen A. Michael's "The Camp Companion" (C. K. Pier Badger Camp, Wisconsin Department, 1996).

**Box 1, Folder 6:**

Various items related to the appointment of camp organizer, Linn P. Hoadley to establish a new camp to be called Gen. W. S. Rosecrans Camp 2 as well as the Camp Bylaws for Phil Sheridan Camp no. 4 of the Department of California and Pacific.

**Box 1, Folder 7:**

"Restoration and Repair of the G.A.R. Stained Glass Window," 27 September 2000 in Patriot Hall, the home of LA County's Department of Military and Veterans Affairs in DTLA.

**Box 1, Folder 8:**

Two issues of "The California Column," Department of California and Pacific--

Volume 2, Special Edition (August 2002)

Volume 2, no. 3 (Autumn 2002)

**Box 1, Folder 9:**

Miscellaneous camp records: 2002 Memorial Day Celebration; Minutes of September 2002; 2003 Bylaws Committee Report; 116<sup>th</sup> Encampment Minutes; 2002 Annual Report; 117<sup>th</sup> encampment Annual Report; 117<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment; 2002 Officers' Election; Rededication of Lincoln Monument; 2007 Officer Elections; 30 March 2007 Camp news, 2008/2009 Treasurer's Report.

**Box 1, Folder 10:**

Six "Old Fort McArthur Day" Ribbons: 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008 and 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Spring Campaigns/1864-2004 Prado Regional Park.

**Box 1, Folder 11:**

Document entitled 120<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment, March 24 & 25, 2006, Las Vegas, Nevada."

**Box 1, Folder 12:**

Documents concerning 2 items received on loan from Patriot Hall, 8 March 2007 and to be returned; 13 items on loan or removed, 11 January 2014.

**Box 1, Folder 13:**

Correspondence related to 2008 Life Memberships; William "Bill" Nelson's Camp Commander's 2002 National Membership Certificate, 2003 membership card. Business card for Linn Hoadley.

**Box 1, Folder 14:**

Unmarked Union Veteran's grave in Lancaster Cemetery; Diane E. Greene's "Civil War Veterans buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Las Vegas, Nevada." Correspondence related to the Gravestone Dedication for Iowa Union Soldier, Sep 2019.

**Box 1, Folder 15:**

Spiral bound "2012 National Encampment" and four more items related to the encampment.

**Box 1, Folder 16:**

"Model 1861 10-inch Rodman Gun, (Sleeved to 8-inch Rifle), Grand Army of the Republic Plot, Angelus-Rosedale Cemetery, 1831 W. Washington Blvd. Los Angeles, California" and 2014 Memorial Day Celebration items from West Adams Matters (May and June 2014).

**Box 1, Folder 17:**

"The Story of Patriotic Hall, Los Angeles Department of Veterans Affairs" being a printout of webpages and two *Los Angeles Times* newspaper articles.

**Box 1, Folder 18:**

5 issues of "*Rosecrans Report*" --

Volume 2008, no. 2 (December)

Volume 2009, no. 1 (August)

Volume 2019, no. 1 (March and April)

Volume 2020, no. 1 (March and April)

Volume 2020, no. 2 (June and July)

**Box 1, Folder 19:**

24 issues of *The Banner, The Journal of the SUVCW--*

Volume 36, no. 4 (April 1932)

Volume 36, no. 5 (May 1932)

Volume 37, no. 2 (February 1933)

Volume 37, no. 5 (May 1933)

Volume 37, no. 6 (June 1933)

**Box 1, Folder 20:**

Volume 112, no. 2 (Winter 2008)

Volume 117, no. 1 (Autumn 2012)

Volume 117, no. 2 (Winter 2013)

Volume 118, no. 1 (Autumn 2013)

Volume 118, no. 4 (Summer 2014)

Volume 119, no. 1 (Autumn 2014)

Volume 119, no. 2 (Winter 2015)

Volume 119, no. 3 (Spring 2015)

Volume 119, no. 4 (Summer 2015)

**Box 1, Folder 21:**

Volume 120, no. 1 (Winter 2016)

Volume 120, no. 2 (Spring 2016)

Volume 120, no. 3 (Summer 2016)

Volume 121, no. 1 (Autumn 2016)

Volume 121, no. 3 (Spring 2017)

Volume 121, no. 4 (Summer 2017)

Volume 122, no. 1 (Autumn 2017)

Volume 122, no. 2 (Winter 2018)

Volume 122, no. 3 (Spring 2018)

Volume 124, no. 3 (Spring 2020)

Volume 124, no. 4 (Summer 2020)

Volume 125, no. 1 (Autumn 2020)

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