

# HENRY H. CUMINGS

ILLINOIS  
1840

OHIO  
1852-1862

105th OHIO VOLS.  
1862-1865

PENNSYLVANIA  
Since 1865

Charter Member and first Commander of  
Col. Geo. A. Cobham Post, No. 311, Tidioute.



Louisville, Perryville, Milton, Hoover's Gap, Tullahoma, Chickamaugua, Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain, Missionary Ridge, Tunnel Hill, Buzzards Roost, Resaca, Burnt Hickory, Lost Mountain, Kennesaw Mountain, Peach Tree Creek, Atlanta, Jonesboro, and "With Sherman to the sea" are among the personal experiences of Comrade Cumings.

HEADQUARTERS NORTHWESTERN ASSOCIATION,

DEPT. OF PENNA., G. A. R.

Oil City, Pa., Sept. 21, 1894.

At the Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Association held at Conneaut Lake, June 28, 1894, the following was unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, The Northwestern quarter of the State of Pennsylvania has never been honored with the selection of a Department Commander from among its membership in the Grand Army of the Republic, and as we feel that the time has come when we should be so honored, not only as a compliment to the large membership and loyal comradeship of the Northwest, but also as a stimulus and encouragement to our Order in this section of our Department ; it is therefore

*Resolved*, That we heartily recommend to our Comrades throughout the Department, our Comrade and the present President of the Northwestern Association, Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R., Henry H. Cummings, of Col. Geo. A. Cobham Post, No. 311, Tidioute, as one in every way competent and worthy, and our unanimous choice for election as Department Commander of the Department of Pennsylvania at its next annual election.

*Resolved*, That the Chair appoint a Special Committee of seven Comrades who shall, in the name and on behalf of the Northwestern Association, properly present to the Department of Pennsylvania, G. A. R., the candidacy of Comrade Cummings, and who shall be authorized to appoint a General Committee, to consist of one Comrade from each Post in the Northwestern Association, to aid them in promoting the candidacy of Comrade Cummings.

GEO. S. SHATTUCK, Post 331.

DAN'L FISHER, Post 167.

T. H. COLE, Post 67.

CHAS. MILLER, Post 220.

L. T. BORCHERS, Post 336.

L. L. SHATTUCK, Post 50.

WM. J. HARSHAW, Post 325.

R. E. VAN NATEX, Post 209, *Sr. Vice President*.

W. H. LITZENBERG, Post 167, *Secretary*.

HEADQUARTERS COL. GEO. A. COBHAM POST, No. 311,

DEPT. OF PENNA., G. A. R.

Tidioute, Pa., Nov. 4th, 1894.

At a regular meeting of Col. George A. Cobham Post, No. 311, held Friday evening, Oct. 19th, 1894, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS, The Northwestern Association, Department of Pennsylvania, Grand Army of the Republic, recommended to our Comrades throughout the Department, our Past Commander, Comrade H. H. Cummings, as one in every way competent and worthy for election as Department Commander, it is

*Resolved*, That we heartily appreciate this action of the membership of our sister Posts, and that we cordially endorse the nomination so generously and unanimously made.

*Resolved*, That knowing the brilliant record Comrade H. H. Cummings has made as a soldier, citizen, business man and comrade, we unhesitatingly and earnestly commend him to our Comrades everywhere, with our fullest endorsement that he is thoroughly qualified by ability, education, intelligence, zeal and tact, to meet every responsibility and requirement of the honored position of Department Commander.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Seven be appointed to co-operate with the special Committee of the Northwestern Association in presenting the qualifications of Comrade Cummings, and in promoting his election.

In pursuance thereof the following Committee was appointed :

A. DUNN,

J. M. CLAPP,

JOHN SHANLEY,

J. D. GILBERT,

A. W. COUSE,

J. A. WEIBLE,

A. J. NOBLE,

A. J. NOBLE, *Post Commander*.

J. A. WEIBLE, *Adjutant*.

COMRADE :—

On the eve of honorable and distinguished graduation at Oberlin College, Ohio, H. H. Cumings closed his text books, and abandoned his studies ; his habiliments of the Senior Class were supplanted by the blue uniform of the Union soldier, and when commencement day came his degrees were conferred, and this young student enjoyed the pleasures of graduation as he stood in line of battle near Lexington, Kentucky.

Three months after enlistment he was detached from his regiment and assigned to duty as First Lieutenant of Parson's Battery which was practically destroyed at the battle of Perryville, fifty per cent. of the men being killed and wounded. He was then assigned to duty on the staff of Col. A. S. Hall, Commanding Brigade, and soon after on that of Brig. Gen. E. H. Hobson. Returning to his regiment, March 1863, he participated in every campaign, skirmish and battle in which it was engaged.

He was promoted to Captain after Missionary Ridge and assigned to Company K (105th Ohio Volunteers), which he commanded thereafter until mustered out June 3rd, 1865, when Pennsylvania's fertile fields gave him a welcome, and since then, his home, his social and business relations, and his every association have been in the Keystone State.

Actively engaged in commercial pursuits of great magnitude, he has ever found the time to devote to the interests of our Comrades and of our organization ; he has filled varied stations with marked ability, has attended National and Department Encampments with regularity, and

when a representative to either, has always been found in his place attending to the duties for which he was elected.

His enviable soldier record and honorable business career, with his unswerving adherence to the principles, fraternities and comradeship of the Grand Army of the Republic, combined with his comprehensive intelligence and general qualifications, enable us to cordially and unhesitatingly commend Comrade H. H. Cumings to your generous consideration, and we know that under his guidance the Department of Pennsylvania would lose not a leaf of its well-earned laurels.

Yours fraternally,

*Committee of Northwestern  
Association.*

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*Chairman Northwestern Association Committee.*