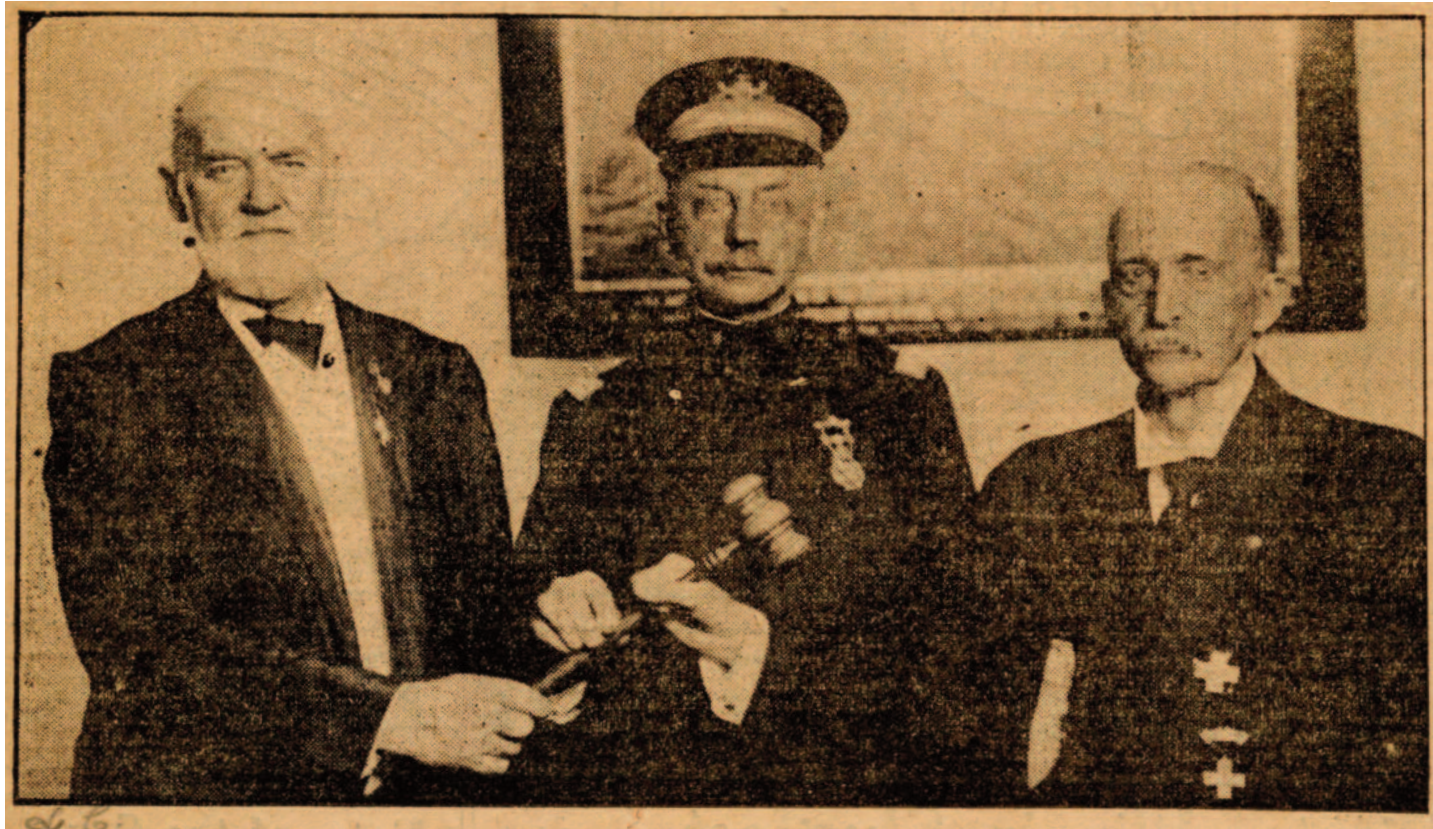


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GAR History

Lewis Cass White, above right, shown at a reunion in 1913 with fellow veterans Captain David Douthett and Captain John Niebaum. The Civil War was a life-changing experience as shown by White's wounded right hand. His pride of service shows through in this history sent to the Grand Army of the Republic. It is a synopsis of his service to the cause of the United States. His ribbons testify to his involvement in the GAR reunions after the war.



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HISTORY OF COMRADE LEWIS CASS WHITE, who was born June 30, 1843, at Whitestown, Butler County, Pennsylvania. His parents were Matthew Ford White and Mary Bateman White. He received his education in the common schools and the Witherspoon Institute, Butler, Pa., and at the date of enlistment was a student at Witherspoon Institute, Butler, Pa., and taught school three months, 1860 and 1861.

He was enrolled at Prospect, Butler Co., Pa., on August 20, 1861, and mustered in as a private, Co. H, 102nd Pa. Vols., on the 21st day of August, 1861, at Washington, D. C., and was promoted to Corporal 1863 and to Color Sgt. summer of 1864.

He was honorably discharged on July 13, 1865, at Chester, Pa., by reason of loss of right hand October 19, 1864, battle of Cedar Creek, Va., the day of Sheridan's ride.

He re-enlisted December 19, 1865, as a veteran volunteer, and served 1861 to 1865, entire service August 21, 1861, to July 13, 1865, until discharged at Chester, Pa., by reason of loss of right hand.

His service was first in Pecks 1st and 3rd Brigade, Couch Division 4 Army Corps Army of the Potomac, and later in the 3rd Division, then in the 2nd Division 6 Corps. Participated in 24 battles, and was 4 corporal Co. H, 102nd P.V.V. as shown by tablet on Penna. monument at Gettysburg. Color Sergeant from May 5, 1864, to Oct. 19, 1864, when wounded.

After termination of his military service he resided at Washington, D. C.

Was discharged July 13, 1865, and commenced to work for the government July 18, 1865, five days later at Washington, D. C., and was employed in Q.M. Dept. at Giesboro Point, D. C., and engaged in charge of men testing Cavalry Horses for the U.S.A.

He was appointed to the Civil Service on July 5, 1866, as a Clerk of Class One, Pension Bureau, and promoted to Class 2 October, 1869, and to Class 3 Aug. 1871, and to Class 4 July 14, 1884.

He is a member of Burnside Post No. 8, G.A.R., and had prior membership in the G.A.R. in Post No. 1 of Washington.

He married Miss Susan Yount of Gettysburg, Pa., on November 24, 1868, in Washington, D. C., and has three living children - April 19, 1912 - and now resides at No. 6404 Georgia Ave., N. W., Washington, D. C., Fort Stevens Battle Ground.

Was mustered in at Camp Sprague, D. C., August 21, 1861, and later moved with the regiment to Rockville Pike, Tenleytown, where the first winter of the war was spent in camp, living in log houses, chunked and daubed with mud and stick chimneys. Nothing eventful occurred here.

On March 21, boarded the steamer State of Maine, and proceeded to Fortress Monroe, landed, marched out to Hampton and camped near where the Merrimac and Monitor fought March 9, and changed the naval warfare of the world.