

HEADQUARTERS
Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Home,
 QUINCY, ILLINOIS

Phillip Simmermaker (0) of the town of *Bunker Hill*, in the County of *Macoupin*, and State of *Illinois*, formerly a Soldier of the United States of America, in the war against (1) *of the Rebellion*, respectfully asks that he be admitted as a member of said Home.

To enable the authorities to determine whether or not he is legally entitled to become a member of said Home, he declares and states the facts to be that he is now *64* years old; that he is *5* feet and *4 1/2* inches high; that he is of *fair* complexion, *gray* eyes, and *light* hair; that he was born in the town of *Macoupin* in the *State of* *Germany*, on the *11th* day of *December*, *1847*; that he has been (2) *once* enrolled in the U. S. A. service; *twice* in the war against *Rebellion*, and *once* in the war of the late Rebellion; and that he has been (3) *twice* honorably discharged from the service of the United States. That the following is a true statement of the time and place of his enrollment and discharge from said service, and that the cause of his discharge, and of his rank at the respective date thereof namely:

| No. | When and Where Enrolled. | When and Where Discharged. | Rank. | Company and Regiment. | Cause of Discharge. |
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| 1st. | <i>Plainview Ills Aug 24th 1861</i> | <i>Hatchers Ferry Jan 1st 1862</i> | <i>Priv</i> | <i>Co. G Regt. 32 Ill</i> | <i>Re-enlistment</i> |
| 2d. | <i>Macoupin Ills Jan 2nd 1864</i> | <i>Springfield Ills Sept 18th 1865</i> | <i>Priv</i> | <i>Co. G Regt. 32 Ill</i> | <i>Expiration</i> |
| 3d. | | | | <i>Co. Regt.</i> | |

That he now receives, on pension certificate number *753475*, a pension of *Eight* dollars a month, payable the *4th* day of next *October*, at the *Chicago* Pension Office.

That he owns property, real and personal, of the value of *nothing* dollars, and no more; that he has no means of self-support other than the above named; that his trade or occupation is that of a *laborer*.

That he has (4) *no* wife; that he has *no* children now living; ages, respectively, (5) *no* years. That his postoffice address is *Bunker Hill*, State of *Illinois*; that his nearest railway station is *Bunker Hill*, on the *C.C. & St. L.* Railway, in *Macoupin* County, in said State; that the name and address of the person to whom he desires notice of his illness or death shall be given, is *Daniel Simmermaker*, of *Plainview*, County of *Macoupin*, State of *Illinois*; that, in case of his death, he desires all his personal effects to be sent to *Daniel Simmermaker*, at *Plainview* County of *Macoupin* State of *Illinois*.

That he has not heretofore been a member of any Soldiers', Sailors', or other Charitable Home or Institution, excepting the (6) _____

That he is now a bona fide resident of the State of Illinois, and has continuously lived and resided in said State for the last two years, or has served in an Illinois organization.

That he is so far disabled by (7) *Age and Stomach trouble and Rupture*

as to now be incapable of earning his own living.

That he has at all times, heretofore, supported and adhered to the government of the United States of America, and that he has not at any time been engaged in, or countenanced, or aided, or abetted, the cause of the late Rebellion.

That if he shall be admitted to be a member of the said Home, he will, in all things and in every respect, comply with and conform to the rules and regulations made, or that shall hereafter be made, for the government and discipline of the same; and that he will cheerfully do and perform any and all things that shall be required of him by those there in authority over him; and that he will promptly, and willingly, obey all lawful orders that he shall receive from any officer of the Home, so long as he shall remain a member thereof.

JUL 16 1906

In Testimony Whereof, he has set his hand this _____ day of _____ 190_____

(9) *Frank Rouds*
 Witness.

(8) *Phillip Simmermaker*
 Applicant.

STATE OF ILLINOIS,

County of Macoupin } ss.

I, Frank Podew, a (10) Notary Public

of the town of Bunker Hill, in and for said County, do hereby certify that the above named applicant, to me personally and well known to be the identical person he represents himself to be, this day personally appeared before me, and that I then and there, at his request, plainly read to him his application, aforesaid, which he then and there fully understood, and that he was, by me, thereupon duly sworn, and then and there deposed and said that he was the applicant above named, and that he was fully acquainted with matters and things stated and set forth in his said application, and that the same and each of them were true in substance and in fact as he had therein stated.

(11) Phillip Simmermaker,
Affiant.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 16 day of July, A. D. 1906

Witness my hand and official seal. Frank Podew (12) Notary Public
[L. S.]

CERTIFICATE OF IDENTIFICATION.

I do hereby certify, upon honor, that I have personally known Phillip Simmermaker the above Applicant, for, at least, two years last passed; and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements contained in his foregoing application are entirely true, and especially that as to the time of his residence in Illinois, or service in an Illinois organization. And I further state that he has no known mental disorder; and that he requires no special attendant; and that he can properly be allowed to go at large; and that he can safely be quartered with feeble and helpless men.

Witness my hand, (13) W.P. Dickie
(14) P.M. Beckwith Sec

CERTIFICATE OF A LOCAL PHYSICIAN.

I hereby depose and state that I have carefully examined the above named Applicant Phillip Simmermaker, as to his disability, and I now find that he has (15) Chronic catarrh of the stomach and Anemia also Rupture to such an extent as to prevent him from earning his own living. And I hereby certify that he has no known, manifest, or discoverable mental disorder; that he has no need of an attendant; that he may be properly allowed to go at large; and that he can safely be quartered with men who are old and feeble.

Edwin S. Milton, M. D.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this JUL 16 1906 day of July, 1906. And I certify that I am personally acquainted with said affiant Edwin S. Milton, and that I know him to be a physician in active practice, and in good repute, as an honest man and a capable physician, in the community and among his fellow physicians where he lives.

Frank Podew (16) Notary Public

CERTIFICATE OF SOLDIERS HOME SURGEON.

I hereby certify upon honor that I carefully and critically examined Phillip Simmermaker the above named Applicant, as to his mental and physical condition, at the Hospital of this Institution, on Wednesday he 8th day of August 1906; and that I found him to be of sound mind, and to be capable of earning his living by reason of his physical disability arising from (17) double inguinal hernia and gastric catarrh

Witness my hand D.M. London
Home Hospital Surgeon.

7532.

October 24, 1961
Shipman, Illinois

Department of Public Welfare
Claude J. Kent Superintendant
Springfield, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I am currently making a study of my family name of Simmermaker, and find I have an Uncle by the name of Phillip Simmermaker who was a Civil War Veteran. He was with Company "C" of the 32nd Infantry Reg.

I would like to know his full name, date of birth, date of death, and any other military history that you could give me.

Your consideration will be very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Lynn L. Simmermaker

Lynn L. Simmermaker
Postmaster
Shipman, Illinois.



October 30, 1961

Mr. Lynn L. Simmermaker
Postmaster
Shipman, Illinois

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry of October 25th, we have very little information concerning your uncle, Phillip Simmermaker which is his full name as indicated on the application.

He was born in Germany December 11, 1842, was admitted to this institution from Bunker Hill, Illinois on August 8, 1906 and was discharged on furlough September 7, 1910. He never returned to the Home so we have no information as to the date or place of death.

He had two periods of enlistment. He enlisted August 24, 1861 at Plainview, Illinois and was discharged January 1, 1864 at Natchez, Mississippi and reenlisted January 2, 1864 at Natchez and was discharged September 16, 1865 at Springfield, Illinois. He served as a Pvt. Co. C. 32nd Illinois Regiment.

The only relative listed was Daniel Simmermaker, Plainview, Illinois but relationship was not indicated.

Yours truly,

James A. Schapers
Superintendent

By: D.F.H. Steinbeck
Adjutant

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